

# Fund Maurange

## Springboard grant

to help talented postdoctoral researchers, focusing on applied research in primary care, to launch their research career

### CALL FOR PROJECTS 2022

#### Scope of the call

The Fund Maurange supports talented researchers, who have recently obtained a PhD or are about to finish a PhD, to pursue their research career and strengthen their application for longer-term fellowships and funding.

The aim of this call is to support interdisciplinary applied research related to primary care, with the perspective of a concrete implementation of interventions for the benefit of patients, relatives and professionals.

For example, the research envisaged by the candidate could focus on the development and implementation of interventions to support medication adherence, on the evaluation of interventions to optimize rational prescribing, on interventions to enhance the early detection of dementia in primary care, on the integration of psychiatric teams in the support of adolescents with psychosis in primary care, on integrated community care, etc.

#### Eligible applicants

The call is open to post-doctoral researchers performing research within the field of primary care:

- with maximum 3 years of active research activities (with an additional year per childbirth or adoption) following the date on which the PhD was obtained or who are about to finish their PhD thesis (public presentation within the next 6 months after deadline of the call);
- working full-time or part-time (at least 70%) in a university, an academic centre or a research centre in Belgium and;
- having no guaranteed funding for their salary for the following years but with the intention to apply for longer-term funding.

The application should be formally supported by an established researcher in the field.

Interdisciplinarity and international collaborations are strongly encouraged.



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## Selection criteria

### Researcher:

- Track record and career potential of the researcher (creativity, management skills, international visibility, etc.)
- Motivation to pursue a research career and to develop his/her own research line
- Steps that will be undertaken to find additional long-term support
- Potential of the research team and/or collaborating teams: scientific environment, competence, experience, added-value from the collaboration
- Demonstrated collaboration with different disciplines
- Expertise in applied research in the domain of primary care

### Scientific quality of the research:

#### *Quality of the research*

- Design of the overall research proposal of the candidate, with a specific focus on the research planned with the financial support of the Fund Maurange (one year), including the timeline, statistics, sample size calculation, feasibility, potential, etc.

#### *Relevance/added-value of the research to existing knowledge/practices*

- The overall project addresses clearly identified medical, allied health or psychosocial issues related to primary care
- The overall proposal includes an assessment of the necessity and relevance of the research question by patients or patient representatives

### Potential impact of the research for patients, relatives and/or professionals:

- An idea of how results will be implemented & followed up

### Involvement of stakeholders:

- Who are the stakeholders? How are they involved and how is their expertise taken into account in the research?

### Ethical questions:

- Are there any ethical questions related to the research and how does the applicant intend to take these into account?
- Researchers should obtain Ethical Approval for the studies before the project can start.

### Location

- The project is initiated and coordinated in Belgium

## Grant

### Amount, duration and allocation

- Financial support of € 80.000 will be given to one researcher covering a period of approximately one year;
- The support mainly aims to cover the salary of the postdoc researcher;
- The grant will be paid to the university or research centre hosting the postdoc;
- A convention will be drawn up in January 2022.



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## New or ongoing project

The support should enable researchers with expertise in applied research in the domain of primary care to pursue their research career and strengthen their application for longer-term fellowships and funding.

## Overhead

No overhead can be deducted from this grant. The entire amount of € 80.000 must fund the researcher's salary during at least one year. The universities or research institutes are expected to provide co-funding in the form of infrastructure facilities.

## Procedure

If you are interested, please submit **an online application** via the website of the King Baudouin Foundation [www.kbs-frb.be](http://www.kbs-frb.be). Applications should be submitted **in English** by 11/10/2022 at midnight at the latest. Candidates will receive an acknowledgement of receipt.

## Selection

Applications will be submitted to an independent scientific jury. Preselected candidates may be invited for an **interview** with the Jury (in November).

The jury will assess the projects and will draw up recommendations for the Fund Steering Committee of the Fund Maurange managed by the King Baudouin Foundation, which will make the final decision.

The decision will be published at the end of December 2022.

## Contact

- For technical assistance during the application process:  
Contact centre – Tel +32-(0)2 500 45 55 – [proj@kbs-frb.be](mailto:proj@kbs-frb.be)
- For information regarding the call:  
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