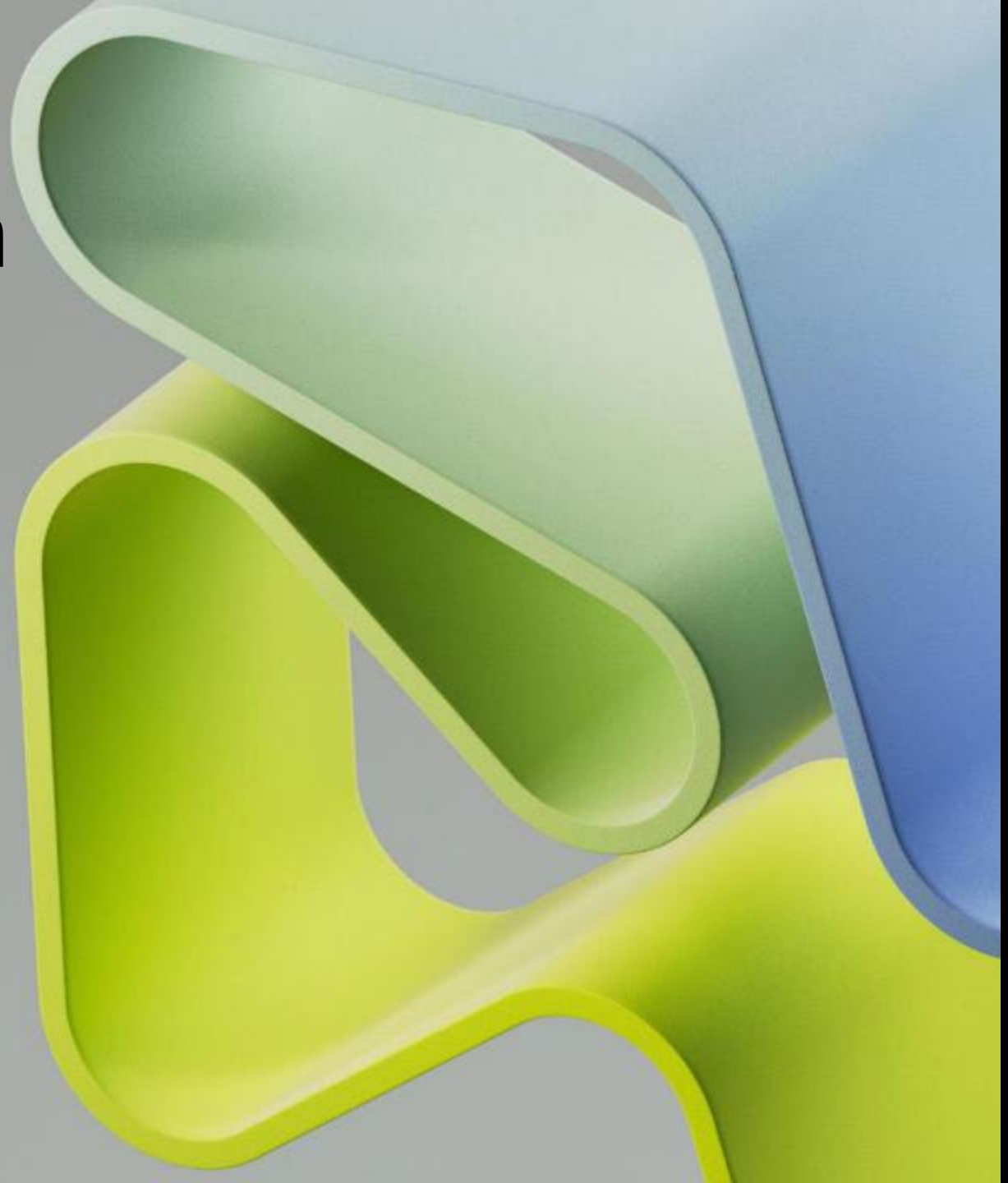
Global health research

Funding Opportunities at
The Research Council of Norway



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Global health

Portfolio for Democracy and Global Development

Prioritize research to reduce health inequalities and strengthen global health security, particularly in low- and lower-middle-income countries

Challenges:

- Vulnerable groups
- Disease burden
- Weak health systems
- Unequal access to safe health services
- Links to poverty, inequality, and development

Needs:

- Connection between knowledge, policy, and implementation
- Contribute to UN Sustainable Development Goal 3
- Help achieve the goal of halving premature mortality by 2050

Promote research on:

- Sustainable health systems and primary health care
- The 15 health conditions recommended by Lancet CIH 3.0 and the Stoltenberg Committee, in addition to mental health and sexual and reproductive health and rights
- Interdisciplinary research on climate and health, including One Health



Planned funding for global health research: Up to NOK 45 million

Preliminary, subject to final approval

Application type: TBA

Deadline:TBA

Limit of support: NOK 4 mill-15 mill

Aim:

- Reducing health inequalities
- Advancing universal health coverage
- Strengthening global health security

Priorities:

Strengthen sustainable health systems and primary health care, including reseach on digital health, health technology and innovative funding mechanisms.

Please see call text when published for details

Requirements:

- Include collaborating research partners from an low- and lower-middle income countries.
- Equitable partnerships

Equitable partnerships: call requirements

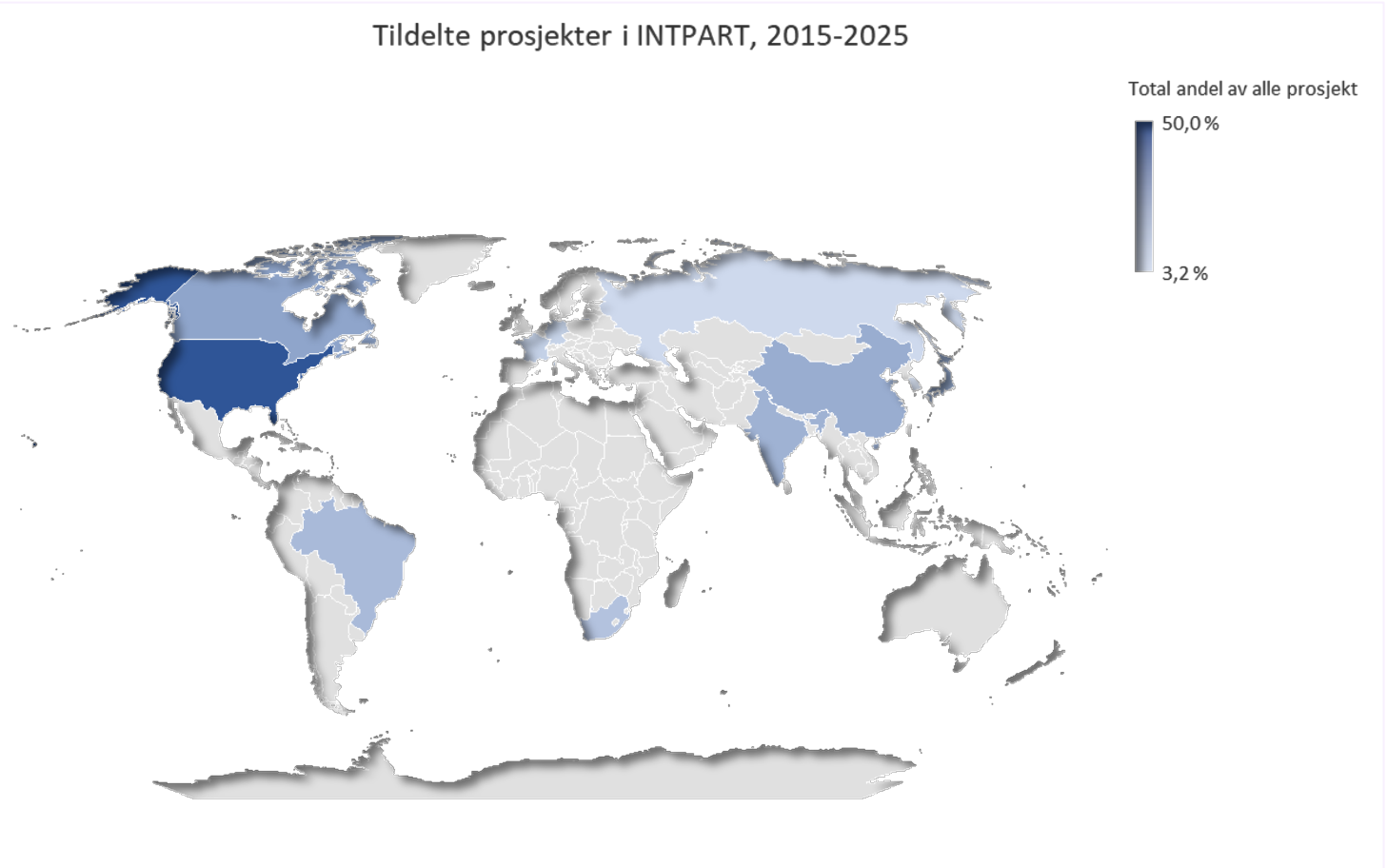
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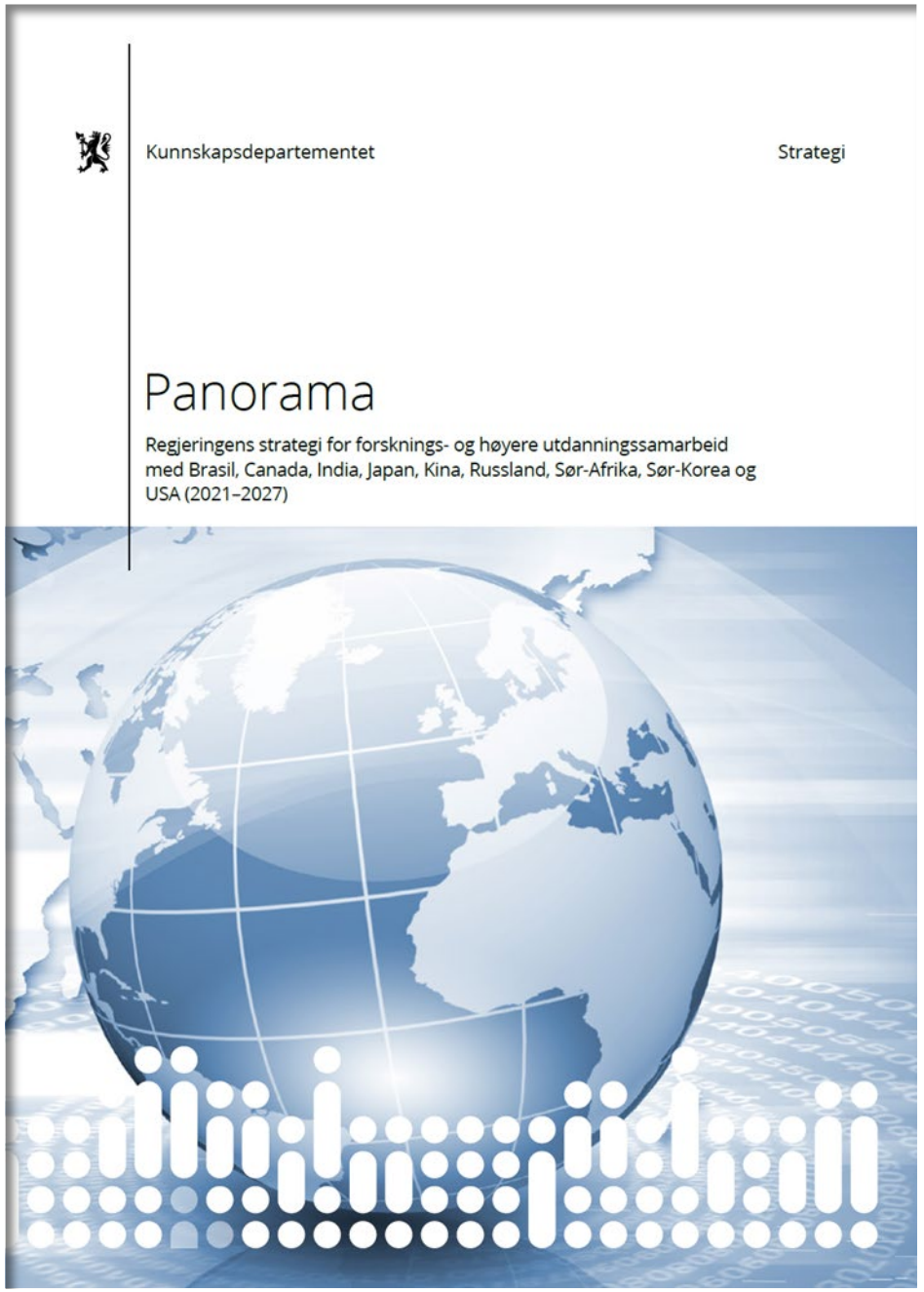
- Equitable sharing of funds and institutional costs.
- Equitable sharing of credits, e.g. scientific analysis, authorship, intellectual property rights and dissemination.
- Strengthening of individual competence and institutional capacity. Must include students, research fellows or young researchers .
- Co-leadership of the proposed scientific agenda with investigators from LLMIC institutions.



The Panorama Strategy

Targeted and comprehensive cooperation in higher education and research USA, Brazil, Canada, India, Japan, China, South Africa and South Korea





INTPART starts with research, but funds the partnership



1 Active scientific research project

2 Complementary INTPART support

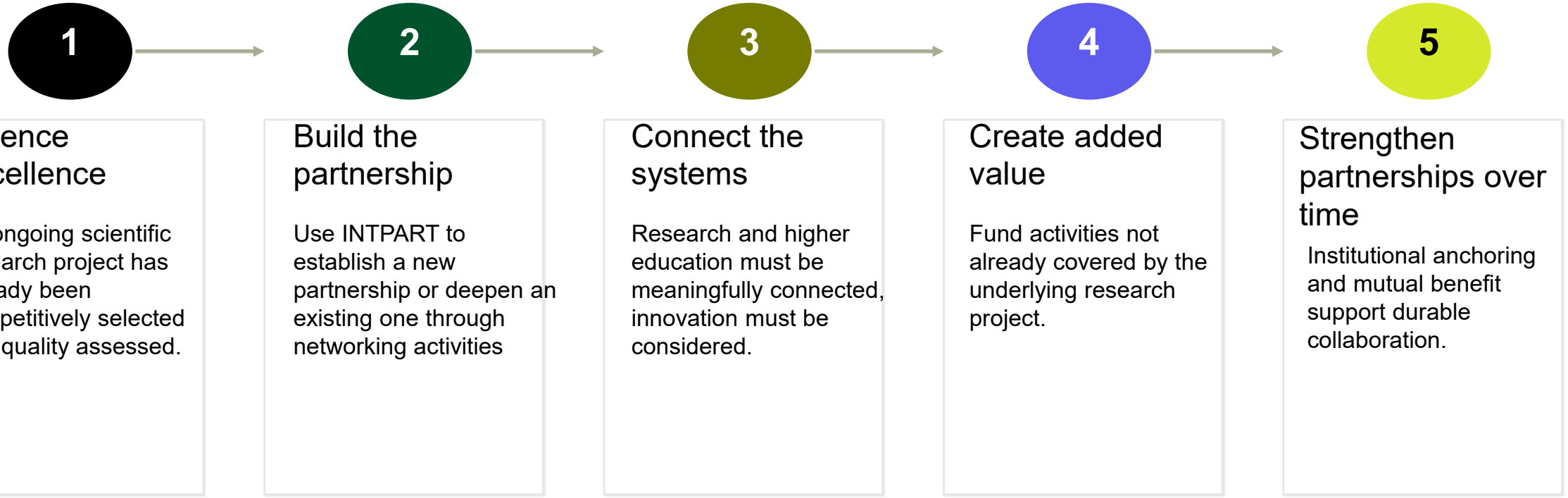
Builds activities, networks and institutional commitment around the research collaboration.

3 Stronger environment in Norway

Long-term, mutually beneficial international partnership

The operating model in five steps

A simple way to understand the programme logic.



INTPART is not an isolated research grant. It is a partnership instrument built around active research.

What INTPART funding adds

Funding is complementary. It should not duplicate the underlying research grant.



CAN SUPPORT

- ✓ Mobility and reciprocal visits
- ✓ Courses, summer schools and joint teaching
- ✓ Networks, workshops and conferences
- ✓ Digital collaboration and knowledge exchange
- ✓ Planning future research and innovation cooperation

DOES NOT SUPPORT

- × Research activities already funded
- × Research infrastructure investments
- × Ordinary teaching already financed elsewhere

Support for events - 2026

Purpose

Funding is available for events held **in Norway or abroad**. The events must promote research and research communication within one or more of the following priority areas:

- Foreign and security policy
- Development research
- **Global health**
- Research cooperation with India

The application must clearly indicate which priority area or areas the event addresses.



Funding and timeline

- **Funding per event:** Up to NOK 100,000
- **Funding period:** Events taking place **in 2026 and the first quarter of 2027**

GROUND-BREAKING RESEARCH

Researcher Project for Experienced Scientists (FRIPRO)

Amount of funding presumed available for this call for proposals: NOK 750 000 000
Funding scale: NOK 4 000 000-12 000 000
Project duration: 36-96 months

The purpose of FRIPRO is to fund curiosity-driven and bold research that can contribute to advancing the state-of-the-art. FRIPRO supports both basic and applied research in all research areas. This call is aimed at experienced scientists who have demonstrated the ability to conduct research of high scientific quality.

Researcher Project with International Mobility (FRIPRO)

Amount of funding presumed available for this call for proposals: NOK 40 000 000
Funding scale: NOK 4 700 000-7 400 000
Project duration: 36-48 months

The purpose of FRIPRO is to fund curiosity-driven and bold research that can contribute to advancing the state-of-the-art. FRIPRO supports both basic and applied research in all research areas. This call is aimed at researchers at postdoctoral level who wish to spend 1-2 years at one or two foreign research organisations, combined with 1-2 years...

Top Researchers – Researcher Projects to Develop World Leading Research Communities

Amount of funding presumed available for this call for proposals: NOK 320 000 000
Funding scale: NOK 15 000 000-40 000 000
Project duration: 48-96 months

The purpose of this call is to fund curiosity-driven and bold research that can contribute to advancing the state-of-the-art through giving good research environments the opportunity to develop into being world-leading within their fields.

Radical Research Ideas for Early Career Scientists

Amount of funding presumed available for this call for proposals: NOK 50 000 000
Funding scale: NOK 500 000-2 000 000
Project duration: 4-12 months

The purpose of this call is to fund curiosity-driven and bold research that can contribute to advancing the state-of-the-art and is open to applications within all research areas. The support aims to give researchers the opportunity to test particularly bold research ideas where the risk of failure is high, but where the significance for the research field is great if the idea succeeds.

Researcher Project for Early Career Scientists (FRIPRO)

Amount of funding presumed available for this call for proposals: NOK 510 000 000
Funding scale: NOK 4 000 000-10 000 000
Project duration: 36-48 months

The purpose of FRIPRO is to fund curiosity-driven and bold research that can contribute to advancing the state-of-the-art. FRIPRO supports both basic and applied research in all research areas. This call is aimed at researchers at an early stage in their careers, who have demonstrated the potential to conduct research of high scientific quality.

Questions?

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