

CALL FOR IDEAS FOR 2023 WORKPLAN APPLICATION FORM

Procedure:

Deadline for submission: 15th January 2023 or 25th December 2022 if submitted in any language other than English.

Decision: Received project ideas will be discussed and approved by the Coppieters Bureau at their next meeting on 3rd February 2023.

Notification: All ideas and project applicants will be notified by February 2023 about the decision of the Coppieters Bureau.

Guidelines:

Coppieters Foundation is committed to the principles of democracy, human rights, diversity, collective rights, gender equality, solidarity, peace, and open dialogue. Applicants and their project ideas should be developed and implemented in the spirit of these values.

Coppieters has 4 main pillars of action, (1) political and socio-economic studies, (2) historical studies and philosophy (3) capacity building and (4) direct interactions with EU and global institutions.

Your ideas should ideally fall into one of these 4 categories, but it can also include: a series of interviews, media work, or archiving services. Other types of services or websites are atypical, but also eligible for consideration.

When submitting an idea, please note that it has to comply with the following criteria:

- Proposals should have a political impact (meaning with policy implications and/or analysis) rather than a cultural outlook
- Proposals should have European scope; and more specifically should comply with Point (4) of Article 2 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/2014
 - a) observing, analysing and contributing to the debate on European public policy issues and on the process of European integration;
 - b) developing activities linked to European public policy issues, such as organising and supporting seminars, training, conferences and studies on such issues between relevant stakeholders, including youth organisations and other representatives of civil society;
 - c) developing cooperation in order to promote democracy, including in third countries;
 - d) serving as a framework for national political foundations, academics, and other relevant actors to work together at European level".
- Proposals should have a good quality outcome;
- Proposals should be easy to communicate and have easy to communicate outcomes;
- Proposals should foresee some co-financing by a local counterpart, member or partner in the form of a financial contribution;
- Proposals should not go against EFA objectives, such as respect for democratic values, cultural diversity, collective rights and peace;

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- Gender equality in the composition of panels in conferences and publications is a requirement;
- Priority will be given to those proposals already approved in previous years;
- Proposals submitted by the same researchers will not be granted again in two consecutive years;
- Proposals with detailed budgets should exclude provisions to fund human resources or coordination.

Co-financing:

Coppieters Foundation is a non-profit European political foundation. Our budget is partially funded by the European Parliament. Therefore, implementation of projects must follow strict rules to ensure correct implementation of (1) the European Union financial regulations and rules of application, (2) the grant agreement signed with the European Parliament, and (3) Coppieters' own internal control rules and procedures.

Coppieters is a recognised political foundation at European level, hence financial contributions are regulated by articles 2.7 and 2.8 of the regulation 1141/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the statute and funding of European political parties and European political foundations. All members and partners implementing project ideas with Coppieters must abide to 1141/2014 Regulation.

Coppieters Foundation will bear the costs related to the project and will pay the relative costs to third party providers of goods and services necessary for the implementation of the project (1); upon receipt of invoices or upon the presentation of any other equivalent document. Where applicable, the reimbursement of travel expenses is calculated on actual costs resulting by the provided supporting evidence, which shall mandatorily include, in case, inbound and outbound boarding passes. Administration and personnel costs must be excluded from the project budget.

Coppieters Foundation will not transfer any funds, directly or indirectly, to the partner.

Project partners sign a Memorandum of understanding, which frames the terms of the cooperation and partnership.

Coppieters Foundation and its project partners may agree on co-financed projects in the form of contributions or donations as per the above-mentioned regulation.

Coppieters shall cover the expenditure linked to projects it organizes jointly with others (members or partners) and partners may agree depending on their possibilities to make a financial contribution in favour of the Coppieters Foundation. The amount is set in the partnership agreement or memorandum of understanding and may be a fixed amount or be calculated based on real expenses of an action.

¹ Such as venue booking, speaker flights, catering, professional photographer, interpretation/translation, design of publicity materials, printing of leaflets/publications, proofreading, expert fees etc.

The desirable support to the project from potential project partners is estimated following 2 criteria:

- Criteria set in the ruling of the Court of Justice ² on indirect funding.
 - The share of expenditure borne by Coppieters should show a realistic correlation with the overall involvement of Coppieters compared to the involvement of the partner at the specific event or publication. Note that according to the rules for funding "an excessive financing share" may constitute "indirect funding" and this is prohibited by the regulation and the Grant received by Coppieters Foundation for the financing of its activities.
 - Indirect funding exists in cases where a partner, party or a candidate derives a financial advantage from the action.
 - When assessing the project ideas we consider the overall context of the project and event, the scope, the content, the objectives, the target group(s), the motivation, and the potential value of the event for the partner to define the desirable support to the project and/or project contribution.

Article 22(2) of the Regulation provides that the funding of European political foundations from the general budget of the European Union or from any other source shall not be used for any other purpose than for financing their tasks as listed in point (4) of Article 2 and to meet expenditure directly linked to the objectives set out in their statutes in accordance with Article 5 of the Regulation. It shall in particular not be used for the direct or indirect funding of other foundations.

- The desirable support to the project from potential project partners is proposed at least at 15% for our members, 30% for our associated members and 50% for non-members,
 - Provided that an even higher co-financing share of the cooperation partner will apply whenever required by Article 22(2) of the Regulation in light of the concrete activity.
 - Please bear in mind that members and associated members pay annual fees to the Coppieters Foundation.

Contributions or donations connected to the projects shall not be regarded as a compensation for services nor as a re-invoicing of costs.

For more information, please check the FAQ page at the end of this document.

² See Art 22 (1) and (2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/2014 on Prohibition of indirect funding and MENL v Parliament, T-829/16; ADDE v Parliament, T-48/17 and ACRE v Parliament, T-107/19.

PART 1: ALL PARTNERS <u>MUST</u> COMPLETE THIS SECTION	
Name of applicant partner	
Lead Contact Name and Position (if appropriate)	
Address	
Postcode	
Telephone Number	
Email Address	
Web Address	
Have you sent a project idea to Coppieters Foundation before?	YES / NO
Have you engaged in partnership with Coppieters Foundation before?	YES / NO
Do you plan on applying for more than 1 project to Coppieters Foundation in the coming year?	YES / NO

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PART 2: IDEA DESCRIPTION	
Title (1-5 words)	
Full Title	
Under Which United Nations Sustainable Development goal does it fall? Please use the UN numbering	
<p>What are the aims of the project idea you want to propose? If you are successful in receiving funding, we may use this information in any publicity we produce about your project (500 words maximum)</p>	
Types of outcomes (mark all relevant outcomes of the project or add your own).	Event
	Policy paper
	Study
	Video
	Interviews
	Podcasts
	Archiving services
	Other: ...

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When will the project start?	
When do you expect the project to end?	
Where will the project take place?	
Who will the project reach?	
Who is responsible for the implementation of the project? Please specify the roles of Coppieters Foundation and your organisation (max. 200 words).	
Are the human resources of Coppieters Foundation needed? If yes, please specify.	
Are other organisations, such as NGOs or think tanks, involved in the implementation of the project? If so, please specify their role.	

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PART 3: BUDGET	
What is the total forecast budget of the project?	€
Please specify in % the forecast project contribution. The Project contribution will be paid by the project applicant to Coppieters Foundation at the end of the project.	%
BUDGET BREAKDOWN Please write estimated costs per budget line relevant to your project.	
CONFERENCE (TOTAL)	€
Travel costs	€
Accommodation	€
Venue	€
Interpretation (English <> second language) and interpretation facilities (booths, headphones, micro)	€
Media insertions + printing materials	€
Professional photographer	€
Coffee break(s) and meal(s)	€
Advertising	€
STUDIES (TOTAL)	€
Drafting of the text and research (expert fees)	€
Translation into English	€
Graphic design	€
Printing	€
Mailing	€

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VIDEO/PODCASTS (TOTAL)	€
Audio/video editing	€
Storyboard	€
Travel and accommodation	€

PART 4: SUBMISSION

Please read the procedures and guidelines on page 1 carefully. For more information, please check the FAQ page at the end of this document.

Please keep in mind that:

- Intellectual property and content of the studies or conferences remains property of Coppieters Foundation, not of the author(s). Publication by other bodies, such as companies, NGOs or think tanks will be analysed and approved on a case-by-case basis, giving priority to publications by our members.
- The Bureau (board of directors) reserves the right to re-scale a project or make a budget counterproposal. Assessment is done on a case-by-case basis.
- [Gender equality](#) is an important principle of the Coppieters Foundation. Priority will be given to projects that are committed to ensuring gender balance in debate, research, as well as other activities.

Once you have completed the application form, please make sure to send it to the correct address in Word or PDF format before the deadline.

SIGNATURE

Name	
Position	
Date	
Place	
Signature	

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. Can we submit documents and propose projects in a different language than English?

Yes. Please respect the deadline set on Page 1 in order to translate the documents in time for the Bureau meeting.

2. Can we propose a cultural event, like an art exhibition or music festival?

Although we coordinate research on cultural diversity, our work program includes projects that carry out or engage with political analysis. We are looking for projects with an analytical focus – looking more to public policies and case studies.- and European scope. Art exhibitions and music festivals do not fall under our pillars of action (See Page 1).

3. Can we apply for more than one project?

Yes.

4. If we submitted a project proposal last year, can we apply for another project this year?

Yes.

5. What does a typical budget break-down look like for a conference, study or other types of projects?

Below you can see estimates of costs and approximate budget breakdowns for each activity based on our experience. Please use these as a guide when designing your project. Do get in touch with service suppliers in your geographical area as prices can vary.

(1) CONFERENCES have an approximate cost of 5,000 to 15,000 EUR

1,000 to 5,000 EUR – Travel costs and accommodation

2,000 to 4,000 EUR – Interpretation (English <> second language)

2,000 to 4,000 EUR – Interpretation facilities (booths, headphones, micro)

1,000 to 3,000 EUR – Media insertions + printing materials

500 to 1,000 EUR – Coffee breaks and meals

(2) STUDIES have an approximate cost of 10,000 to 15,000 EUR

1,000 to 4,000 EUR – Drafting of the text and research

1,500 to 2,500 EUR – Graphic design

3,000 to 7,000 EUR – Translation, copy-editing and proofreading

4,000 to 7,000 EUR – Printing and distribution

(3) PODCASTS have an approximate cost of 4,000 EUR

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1,000 to 2,000 EUR – Travel costs and accommodation

1,000 to 2,000 EUR – Audio editing

(4) VIDEOS have an approximate cost of 10,000 EUR

1,000 to 3,000 EUR – Storyboard

3,000 to 8,000 EUR – Video editing

(5) WEBINARS have an approximate cost of 2,000 EUR

1,000 to 2,000 EUR – Video design and promotion materials

6. How does co-financing work in practice?

Partners sign a written agreement or memorandum of understanding which frames the terms of the cooperation and partnership. Coppieters shall cover the expenditure linked to projects it organizes jointly with others (members or partners) and partners may agree depending on their possibilities to make a financial contribution in favor of the Coppieters Foundation. The amount is set in the partnership agreement and may be a fixed amount or be calculated based on real expenses linked to an action.

Step 1

Coppieters Foundation will cover all project costs through payment transfers to third party providers of goods and services necessary for the implementation of the project. This includes venue fees, speaker flights, catering, professional photographer, interpretation/translation, design of publicity materials, printing of leaflets/publications, proofreading, expert fees etc. Ideally, Coppieters Foundation would cover the total amount of the budget directly to suppliers.

Coppieters Foundation will not transfer any funds, directly or indirectly, to the partner.

Coppieters cannot cover staff costs not coordination costs of any project partner

Step 2

Once the project has finished, project partners compile a list of all project costs. There's an evaluation procedure, a short activity report and a closure meeting.

Step 3

The proposing partner may make a contribution or donation according to the previously agreed-upon partnership agreement. This contribution is regulated by articles 2.7 and 2.8 of regulation 1141/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the statute and funding of European political parties and European political foundations.

Such contribution shall not be regarded as a compensation for services nor as a re-invoicing of costs.

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