



MEMORANDUM

TO: Vice-Presidents of Research, Deans of Science and Engineering, and Research Grant Officers

FROM: Catherine Podeszinski, Deputy Director
Research Grants and Scholarships Directorate

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**SUBJECT: Call for Proposals
GENDER-NET Plus ERA-NET Cofund – Promoting gender equality**

NSERC is pleased to announce that it is participating in a joint co-funded call for proposals with Europe as part of [GENDER-NET Plus](#). GENDER-NET Plus brings together a consortium of 16 partners from 13 different countries including Canada. It is an important opportunity to fund research projects that will promote the integration of sex and gender analysis into research at an international level.

GENDER-NET Plus is the first European Research Areas (ERA) Network (NET) Cofund with the aim of fostering the integration of sex- and gender-based analysis (SGBA) into research and funding programs. The joint call invites interdisciplinary applications exploring sex and gender effects and dimensions in research topics relating to one or more of the following United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs): SDG3 – Good Health and Well-Being, SDG 9 – Infrastructure, Industrialization and Innovation, and SDG 13 – Climate Action.

NSERC will provide direct funding to eligible Canadian researchers to participate in awarded projects in the natural sciences and engineering related to **SDG9 and SDG13 call topics only**. The total amount available to Canadian researchers from NSERC is \$700,000 CAD, enough to fund at least two projects. The maximum amount available per project is \$100,000 CAD per year for up to three years, for a total of up to \$300,000 CAD. The duration of a project must be two to three years.

The rules for this joint call require that each applicant team include investigators from at least three countries participating in the initiative. For Canadian investigators, this means they must establish partnerships with researchers from at least two other [partner countries](#) (outside Canada).

Pre-proposal documents must be completed and submitted by the Project Coordinator via the [GENDER-NET Plus Electronic Proposal Submission System \(EPSS\)](#) by **Thursday March 1, 2018 17:00 (Central European Time)**. In addition, an itemized budget and one-page justification must be submitted to NSERC (secure site to come) by the deadline date.

For more information on rules and how to apply, consult the websites of *both* [NSERC](#) and [GENDER-NET Plus](#). If you have any questions, or wish to discuss submitting an application, please contact:

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General questions about the call can be directed to the [Call Secretariat](#).