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NordForsk funds and facilitates Nordic research cooperation

What is NordForsk?

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- NordForsk is an organisation under the Nordic Council of Ministers that provides funding for and facilitates Nordic cooperation on research and research infrastructure.
- The program brings together national research groups, including institutes, universities and other research units, thus providing new opportunities and perspectives for scientists from member states, including Latvia.

Open calls available for Latvian research community:

1. **Sustainable Health and Social Care Systems For Elderly**
(Deadline **20.02.2025.**)
2. **Sustainable Future Of Forests** (Deadline 27.05.2025)
3. **Responsible use of AI** (Deadline 13.05.2025)

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Sustainable health and social care systems for elderly

The overall aim of the call is to fund research which generates knowledge and evidence-based solutions in the area of sustainable health and social care systems for elderly. The research should contribute with knowledge that can be used to prepare and equip the health and social care systems of the Nordic and Baltic countries to meet the challenges of a growing elderly population.

Available budget – up to 300 000 eur per project

Project implementation time – up to 4 years

Projects to be supported – 2.

Izsludināts NordForsk konkurss "Ilgtspējīgas veselības un sociālās aprūpes sistēmas vecāka gadagājuma cilvēkiem"

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Some of eligibility criteria:

- The research consortium must include research performing organisations in **at least three Nordic countries**.
- The host institution (Project Owner) for the project must be **an established research performing organisation** based in one of the countries co-funding the call. Project owners, project leaders and project participants from Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania must be eligible to receive funding from ETAG, the LSC and the RCL respectively.
- The project leader (and Nordic contact point) **must be a qualified researcher (PhD)** employed by their host institutions (Project Owners).
- Research performing organisations from other Nordic countries than Sweden, Norway, Iceland and Denmark cannot be Project Owners. Such research organisations can participate in funded projects, but not as Project leader and they cannot be Nordic co-hosts for projects.
- **Estonian, Latvian and Lithuanian applicants and project participants must comply with the respective national rules.**

Sustainable forestry

The Joint Nordic-Baltic Initiative on Sustainable Futures of Forests is an important collaboration that addresses the pressing challenges facing forests in the Nordic and Baltic regions. Forests cover vast areas of these landscapes and are vital not only for local economies but also for the social and cultural fabric of the region. By promoting **cross-border cooperation, the initiative encourages a holistic approach to sustainable forestry**, integrating scientific research, innovative technology, and sustainable management practices.

Available budget – up to 300 000 eur per project

Project implementation time – up to 4 years

Projects to be supported – 2.



Some of eligibility criteria:

- The consortium must include research-performing **organisations from at least four different countries of which two must be Nordic countries**. Nordic countries are defined here as Åland, Denmark, the Faroe Islands, Finland, Greenland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden.
- The host institution (Project Owner) for the project must be an **established research performing organisation** based in one of the countries co-funding the call. Project owners, project leaders and project participants from Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania must be eligible to receive funding from ETAG, the LSC and the RCL respectively.
- The project leader must **be a qualified early-career researcher (PhD) with at least 2 but not more than 7 years** of experience since completing their PhD.
- **Estonian, Latvian and Lithuanian applicants and project participants must comply with the respective national rules.**

Responsible use of AI

The aim of this call is to fund excellent research activities that address shared Nordic and Nordic-Baltic societal challenges in the context of extensive use and implementation of AI in the region. The initiative **should contribute to cross-border mobilisation of capacity and competence building among Nordic and Nordic-Baltic research communities and strengthen networks and collaborations.**

Available budget – up to 300 000 eur per project

Project implementation time – up to 4 years

Projects to be supported – 2.



Some of eligibility criteria:

- The research consortium must include research performing organisations in **at least four Nordic or Baltic countries, of which at least three must be Nordic**. Nordic countries are defined here as Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden, Faroe Islands, Greenland, and Åland Islands.
- The host institution (Project Owner) for the project must be an **established research performing organisation** based in one of the countries co-funding the call. Project owners, project leaders and project participants from Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania must be eligible to receive funding from ETAG, the LSC and the RCL respectively.
- If the project owner is based in Estonia, Latvia or Lithuania, the project must appoint a co-host institution in Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Iceland or Finland which NordForsk enters into contract with concerning the Nordic part of the project. A contact person must be appointed from the co-host institution and will serve as NordForsk's administrative contact point.
- The project leader (and Nordic contact person) must be a **qualified researcher with a PhD and employed by the host institution** (Project Owner) throughout the duration of the project.
- **Estonian, Latvian and Lithuanian applicants and project participants must comply with the respective national rules.**



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Thank you!



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