

Research programmes

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Fundamental and Applied Research

Fundamental and Applied Research is a programme financed from the state budget which aims to create new knowledge and technological know-how in all [Fields of Science](#). Programme is organized as annual open calls. Organization of project calls and evaluation of the research proposals is carried out by the [Latvian Research Council](#).

National Research Programmes

National Research Programmes (NRP) are research programmes funded from the state budget and initiated by the sectoral ministries. These programmes aim to create new knowledge, expertise and innovations, develop new solutions to contribute to the development of the specific field and strategic national development goals. Sectoral ministries define the goals and objectives of the National Research Programme of their interest and ensure the necessary funding from the state budget. Organization of project calls and evaluation of the research proposals is carried out by the [Latvian Research Council](#).

Applied research programme

Applied research programme is a programme to develop industry-oriented research projects in the areas of Latvia's Smart specialization strategy. Funding for the programme is provided from European Regional Development fund. Programme is open for the project proposals from research institutions and companies registered in Latvia. Calls for the programme are organized by the [Central Finance and Contracting agency of Latvia](#)

Postdoctoral research grants

Postdoctoral research grants provide an opportunity for young researchers to develop their research capacity and career while contributing to the goals of Latvia's Smart Specialization strategy. Funding for the programme is provided from European Regional Development fund. Calls for the programme are organized by the [State Education Development Agency](#).

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