



12th Call for Small Research and Outreach Grants (Spring 2026)

We are pleased to launch the 12th ASF call for small research and outreach grants. In line with the previous round, A Sustainable Future (ASF) welcomes three typologies of grant to support UvA EB sustainability research and outreach projects. The distinctive trait of the call remains the special focus on UvA EB junior faculty and cross-school collaborations.

deadline: May 29th, 2026

submission: Via the [ASF website](#). For additional information, please send an e-mail to asf-feb@uva.nl.

grant amounts:

1. **Cross-school (and cross-faculty) research applications:** up to 15K Euro for research proposals involving faculty members from both the School of Economics and the Business School, or with researchers from other UvA Faculties. Preference will be given to projects indicating an UvA EB junior faculty member (PhD students, Post-docs, tenure-track assistant professors, level II associate professors) as principal investor (PI). External researchers (i.e., researchers not affiliated with UvA EB) are welcome to participate in the project as team members and must be mentioned in the application form. However, external researchers are not grant recipients and cannot be indicated as the PI.
2. **Junior faculty research applications:** up to 10K Euro for research proposals involving only UvA EB junior faculty members in the team of applicants.
3. **General applications (including outreach):** up to 10K Euro for research projects not fitting the previous categories, and outreach initiatives.

Please make sure to list all (internal and external) team members involved in the applications. We aim to dedicate two-thirds of the total amount available to applications of the first and second categories.

eligible expenses:

- Data access and collection (including secondary data and databases), participants surveys, experiments, research material, and computing costs;
- Research assistants (RA rate standardized: 60 Euro per hour gross, hired via Studijob, and including UvA overhead);
- Conferences/research travels/visitor proposals ([according to UvA policy concerning Sustainable travel](#));
- Outreach initiatives (e.g., workshops, panel sessions, roundtables).

Note: before drafting the project budget, please read more about the eligible expenses at <https://asf.uva.nl/grants/research-grants.html>.

decision: by July 3rd, 2026

total budget: Maximum 100K Euro

decision process: proposals will be evaluated by the [ASF Scientific Committee](#), approved by the ABS and ASE Research Directors.

The selection will be made according to the following criteria:

1. Quality of the proposal (45%):
 - a. Academic relevance of the problem;
 - b. Innovative character (e.g., new concepts or theory, methods, new data);
 - c. Feasibility of the research plan;
 - d. Societal impact of the proposal.
2. Fit with the [ASF Goals](#) (40%)
3. Efficient use of the amount of money requested, outlined in a detailed budget section (15%)

ASF may grant only a fraction of the amount requested by the applicant(s). Applying for top-up funding is possible in only one of the next grant rounds if indicated so by the final decision.

Any UvA EB faculty members, including UvA internal PhD students, can apply (the call is not open for external EB faculty). Receiving funding implies agreeing to report after two years from the reception of the grant and acknowledge the ASF grant in any publications or events associated with the successful application. The ASF grant budget can only be used for activities specified in the project application. Budget repurposing may be possible but it must be approved by the ASF Scientific Committee. Unused ASF grant budget will be transferred back to the ASF research account. The ASF grant budget cannot be transferred to other institutions and can be used only until the PI is affiliated with the UvA EB faculty.

ASF grant holders are expected to participate in ASF activities (including seminars and outreach events) and present their research.

For this round, each faculty member can appear as PI in a maximum of two proposals and will get a maximum of one proposal accepted. However, faculty members can participate in multiple applications as team members.

If an application is rejected, the UvA EB faculty member is eligible to participate in future calls with a new proposal. In specific circumstances, ASF can invite the re-submission of an updated version of the previously rejected proposal.

For additional information, you can visit the [ASF website](#) or send an e-mail to asf-feb@uva.nl.

With kind regards,

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