



PROOF OF CONCEPT FUND

[PROPOSAL TITLE]

By

[LEAD APPLICANT - NAME OF ARIES BENEFICIARY INSTITUTE]

Partners (see ANNEX 1 for supporting documents):

[PROJECT PARTNER - NAME OF COMPANY/INSTITUTE]

[...]

Please submit the proposal [here](#).

Grey highlighted text may be removed. Yellow highlighted text must be edited.

Background and Aims

[What research will form the basis of this project? What is the aim and who will benefit from this project and its successful commercialisation?]

Participants

Lead Applicant [NAME OF INSTITUTE / COMPANY / ORGANIZATION]		
Type of organization	Country	ARIES Beneficiary (yes/no)
[University/Laboratory/Company]	[Name or 2-letter code]	[yes/no]
Name of contact person	Job title	E-mail
[Title + Name + First name]	[Job title]	[e-mail address]

Partner # [1] [NAME OF INSTITUTE / COMPANY / ORGANIZATION]		
Type of organization	Country	ARIES Beneficiary (yes/no)
[University/Laboratory/Company]	[Name or 2-letter code]	[yes/no]
Name of contact person	Job title	E-mail
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[Add additional tables as necessary]

Technical Summary

[Provide a clear set of objectives and a detailed account of the current status of the technology you are proposing. Describe the plan for development with reference to the stated objectives. This summary should provide sufficient detail for the Evaluation Panel to be able to assess the technical aspects of the proposed project.]

Business Plan

[Please describe how you will investigate the development of a business plan, including a route to market. Describe the commercial opportunity, supported by market data, and predicted investment and mechanism required post-project to take forward commercialisation. Please also include a summary of the current IP position.]

Work Plan and Risk Analysis

[Detail specific work packages, assigning responsibility between partners if appropriate. Applicants should show that they have identified risks and developed alternative strategies to mitigate these. The lead participant shall provide in the application a proposed method for monitoring the overall activities of the project, for verification of effective use of the received funding. The applicants should consider both technical, programmatic and, where relevant, commercial risks.]

Milestones & Deliverables

[Identify what the direct outputs will be at the end of this grant (please be specific).]

Name	Description	Estimated delivery date
Deliverable 1		
Deliverable 2		
[...]		

Resources (Budget)

- Total project budget: [XXXXXXX] EUR
- Requested contribution from the ARIES Proof-of-Concept fund: [XXXXXXX] EUR

[State the level of resources requested and provide justification]

[Explain how the budget of the project will be used, in particular:

- Personnel cost (e.g. for hiring a student/fellow)
- Material/Equipment
- Services from industry

Please describe how the PoC funds will be allocated to project partners.]

Partner	Person-months	Personnel costs (person-months * monthly salary)	Material/Equipment	Total costs (personnel costs + material/equipment)	Requested contribution from the ARIES PoC
Lead Applicant					
Partner 1					
Partner 2					

ANNEX 1 - Letters of Support (optional)

Please add details of Letters of Support below, and attach Letters separately.

Letter #	Company/Institution	Signatory	Date
1			
2			
...			

Letters of support can be included from other relevant parties not directly involved in the project but who support the objectives, for example, potential end users. Letters should:

- Be on headed paper and signed by a senior member of staff or director (the capacity in which the supporter is signing off the letter should be stated) or an email with full contact details.
- Be dated within six months of submission.
- Detail their interest and involvement in the project in terms of specific objectives and desired outcomes together.
- Detail the projected market size, customers and sales.
- Describe how the company could commercialise the technology beyond the project