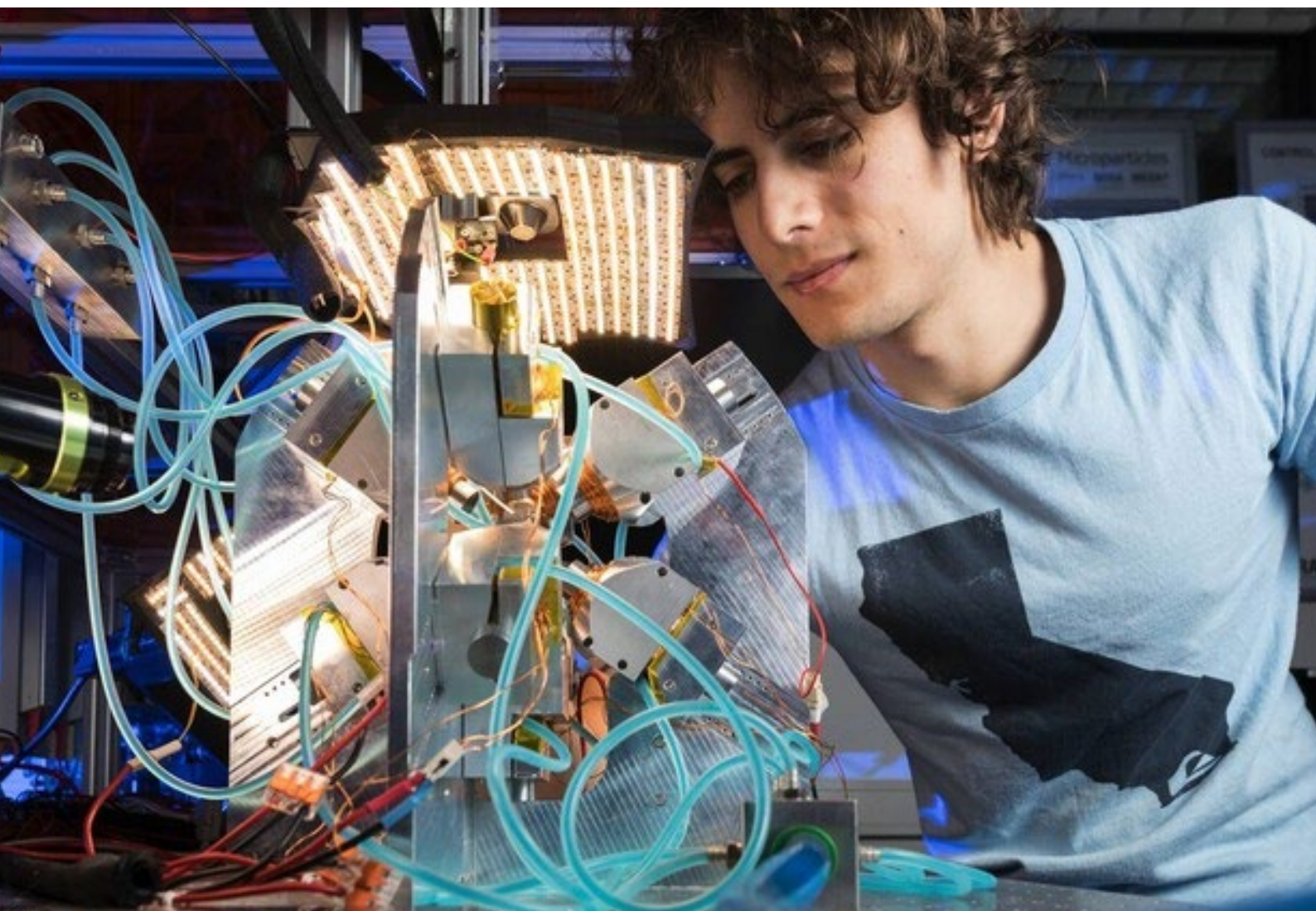


ALLIANCE VU AMSTERDAM – UNIVERSITY OF TWENTE

INTERNAL CALL 2024

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OBJECTIVE OF THE CALL: STRENGTHENING THE VU-UT ALLIANCE

The call is to young talent (maximum 6 years after PhD) to submit a proposal for innovative research, business development or securing 'flagship' funding. This includes all academic staff at either VU or University of Twente, e.g. post-doc and PhD researchers.

A. EVALUATION CRITERIA

- The proposal should fall into one of the following categories:
 - Innovative **new research**, combining research expertise at both universities.
 - Innovative **new business development**, such as realizing a specific product/service or entering a partnership with public/private partners.
 - Preparation for innovative **new “flagship” research** funding, e.g. a grant application with a national/international consortium, with VU and UT as core partners.
- Both universities must be partners in the proposal; proposals involving external parties are encouraged.
- The proposal should fit the ambitions of the VU-UT Alliance, either falling within the scope of one or more of the three impact coalitions **Responsible Societies**, **Secure Societies** and **Smart Societies**, and/or research topics directly related to an existing/planned joint educational program.
- Other criteria that will be used for prioritizing proposals:
 - The proposers are involved in joint VU-UT education activities.
 - The proposal is related to the joint VU-UT education programmes.
 - The proposal combines different disciplines from the two universities.
 - The expected outcome has a demonstrable social contribution.

B. PROCEDURE

- A sum of €40,000 – €50,000 can be requested for a proposal.
- The proposal must be submitted before **1 April 2024** to: vu-utwente.nl/en/application-internal-call/
- On **18 April 2024**, the Steering Committee will decide which proposals will be honoured.
- Groups whose proposals are honoured are asked to indicate which part of the budget should be transferred to the UT contact and which to the VU contact.
- Awarded proposals must have started no later than **1 October 2024**.
- An interim and a final report are expected for each project.
- For each project, the stakeholders are expected to communicate about the results and participate in outreach and joint events such as (poster) sessions on VU-UT exchange days.
- The **development/realisation** of the research must be completed **by 1 October 2025** at the latest.

C. MORE INFORMATION

For (research) questions, please contact the coordinators of the coalition (see the website under [Who we are](#)).

For general questions, please contact programme managers Amir Ametovic (UT) and Maria Mennen (VU) or project officer Monique Verwers (UT) via info@vu-ut.nl.