

## List of open UK calls (2025)

This is the full list of all UK calls across quantum, space, AI, high-performance computing (HPC) and future telecommunications. EU-based entities can participate in all these calls and exploit the results in their home countries.

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## 1. QUANTUM:

### - [Projects Peer Review Panel 2025](#)

(Closes August 2025)

Eligibility text: “Project partners may be in industry, academia, third sector or government organisations in the UK or overseas, including partners based in the EU.”

### - [EPSRC standard research grant, responsive mode](#)

(No closing date)

Eligibility text: “Project partners may be in industry, academia, third sector or government organisations in the UK or overseas, including partners based in the EU.”

### - [EPSRC new investigator award, responsive mode](#)

(No closing date)

Eligibility text: “Project partners may be in industry, academia, third sector or government organisations in the UK or overseas, including partners based in the EU.”

### - [EPSRC Working with Overseas Scientists](#)

(No closing date)

Eligibility text: “Project partners may be in industry, academia, third sector or government organisations in the UK or overseas, including partners based in the EU.”

### - [EPSRC Network grant](#)

(No closing date)

Eligibility text: “Project partners may be in industry, academia, third sector or government organisations in the UK or overseas, including partners based in the EU.”

### - [EPSRC-NSF: Exploiting Quantum Information Science in Chemistry](#)

(Closes February 2025)

Eligibility text: Whilst this call principally supports the creation of UK-US research partnerships, “project partners may be in industry, academia, third sector or government organisations in the UK or overseas, including partners based in the EU

## 2. SPACE

- UK National Active Debris Removal (ADR) – Phase 3  
(Not yet live)

Eligibility text: Will be open to self-funded entities based in the EU as per standard eligibility text outlined on page 9.

### - STFC Astronomy large awards 2025

(Closes March 2025)

Eligibility text: “Project partners may be in industry, academia, third sector or government organisations in the UK or overseas, including partners based in the EU.”

### - Astronomy observation and theory small awards 2025

(Closes March 2025)

Eligibility text: “Project partners may be in industry, academia, third sector or government organisations in the UK or overseas, including partners based in the EU.”

### - Astronomy solar and planetary studies small awards 2025

(Closes March 2025)

Eligibility text: “Project partners may be in industry, academia, third sector or government organisations in the UK or overseas, including partners based in the EU.”

### - General Support Technology Programme

(Open until further notice)

Eligibility text: “Proposals and bids may be made by consortia, across industry with or without academic institutions’ involvement. These may include involvement of companies and organisations from other ESA Member States. However, should a consortium include an entity from another Member State that participant will need to secure their delegate’s support for their financial share.”

### - Projects Peer Review Panel 2025

(Closes August 2025)

Eligibility text: “Project partners may be in industry, academia, third sector or government organisations in the UK or overseas, including partners based in the EU.”

### - NERC Discovery Science – Pushing the Frontiers

(Closes January 2025)

Eligibility text: “Project partners may be in industry, academia, third sector or government organisations in the UK or overseas, including partners based in the EU.”

### 3. AI

#### ARIA (not yet live)

*Standard eligibility rules apply, as set out on page 9.*

- Programme: Safeguarded AI (Technical areas 1.2, 1.3 and 2)
- Opportunity Seed: Maths for Safe AI
- Programme: Robot Dexterity (Technical area 2)
- More opportunities will be released as ARIAs second cohort of programme directors establish new programmes in the latter part of 2025.

UKRI:

#### - AI solutions to develop AI competencies in key sectors

(Closes January 2025)

Eligibility text: “Your project can include non-UK partners, including partners based in the EU, who bring their own funding. Non-UK partners are permitted to carry out project work from within their home countries and exploit results overseas. Their costs will count towards the total eligible project costs.”

#### - UKRI: Metascience AI early career fellowships

(Not live yet – closes April 2025)

Eligibility text: Standard eligibility will apply – open to international project partners, including those based in the EU.

#### - EPSRC standard research grant, responsive mode

(No closing date)

Eligibility text: “Project partners may be in industry, academia, third sector or government organisations in the UK or overseas, including partners based in the EU.”

#### - EPSRC new investigator award, responsive mode

(No closing date)

Eligibility text: “Project partners may be in industry, academia, third sector or government organisations in the UK or overseas, including partners based in the EU.”

#### - ESRC responsive mode: research grants round two

(No closing date)

Eligibility text: “Project co-leads based in non-UK research organisations can be included in research grant applications. Read [project co-lead \(international\) policy guidance](#) for details of eligible organisations and costs.”

#### - ESRC responsive mode: new investigator grants round two

(No closing date)

Eligibility text: “Project co-leads based in non-UK research organisations can be included in research grant applications. Read [project co-lead \(international\) policy guidance](#) for details of eligible organisations and costs.”

- ESRC responsive mode: secondary data analysis round two

(No closing date)

Eligibility text: "Project co-leads based in non-UK research organisations can be included in research grant applications. Read [project co-lead \(international\) policy guidance](#) for details of eligible organisations and costs."

- Developmental pathway funding scheme: stage one

(Closes March 2025)

Eligibility text: "Project partners may be in industry, academia, third sector or government organisations in the UK or overseas, including partners based in the EU."

- EPSRC: Working with Overseas Scientists

(No closing date)

Eligibility text: "Project partners may be in industry, academia, third sector or government organisations in the UK or overseas, including partners based in the EU."

#### 4. HPC:

- UKRI DRI: championing knowledge exchange for UK computational science

(Closes February 2025)

Eligibility text: “A project partner is a collaborating organisation who will have an integral role in the proposed research. This may include direct (cash) or indirect (in-kind) contributions such as expertise, staff time or use of facilities. Project partners may be in industry, academia, third sector or government organisations in the UK or overseas, including partners based in the EU.”

- UKRI DRI: digital research infrastructure skills hubs for accelerated compute

(Closes February 2025)

Eligibility text: “A project partner is a collaborating organisation who will have an integral role in the proposed research. This may include direct (cash) or indirect (in-kind) contributions such as expertise, staff time or use of facilities. Project partners may be in industry, academia, third sector or government organisations in the UK or overseas, including partners based in the EU.”

## 5. FUTURE TELECOMMUNICATIONS:

### - EPSRC: Discipline Hopping in ICT

(No closing date)

Eligibility text: "Project partners may be in industry, academia, third sector or government organisations in the UK or overseas, including partners based in the EU."

### - EPSRC: Working with Overseas Scientists

(No closing date)

Eligibility text: "Project partners may be in industry, academia, third sector or government organisations in the UK or overseas, including partners based in the EU."

### - EPSRC standard research grant, responsive mode

(No closing date)

Eligibility text: "Project partners may be in industry, academia, third sector or government organisations in the UK or overseas, including partners based in the EU."

### - EPSRC new investigator award, responsive mode

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**Note**

The UK Government is currently finalising spending allocations for 2025 following the recent General Election, which will determine the exact breakdown of quantum, space, AI, HPC, and future telecommunications R&D budgets for the next financial year. Once this process is completed, we will publish further details on additional 2025 calls currently under development. We would like to reiterate that all of these 2025 calls across the fields of quantum, space, AI, HPC, and future telecommunications will be open by default to EU-based partn