Heart for Women: Towards a Healthier Future

Application form: project idea

**Submission deadline: 21st of October 2025, 14:00h (CET).**

Please read the brochure *Heart for Women: Towards a Healthier Future* carefully before filling in this form. This form consists of 6 parts to be filled in and a separate motivation letter and resume. All documents will be shared with the selected initiators (current research leaders of IMPRESS) and with the guidance committee of the Dutch Heart Foundation.

Please note that:

a. this form should be free of IP sensitive information and

b. that the goal of this form is to discuss the scope of the consortium and the main contributors. Translating your idea to a detailed research proposal is not necessary or even preferable as we aim to establish synergies between individual project proposals.

# Contact details applicant

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| Lead applicant | Title, initials, last name. |
| E-mail  |  |
| Phone number |  |
| Organisation |  |
| Postal address |  |

# Project details

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| Project title  | Working title for the project idea  |
| Duration of project | Max. 5 years. |
| Keywords | Please select a min. of 3 and a max. of 5 keywords that describe your project idea |

# Relevance

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| Describe how your project idea aligns with the objectives and developing scope of the new consortium and with the national cardiovascular agenda. Explain why the idea is relevant, urgent, innovative, and feasible for improving cardiovascular health in women. Indicate up to three consortium objectives your idea primarily supports and briefly note the target population, care setting(s), and how it complements the current research portfolio of the Dutch Heart Foundation. It should be evident why the proposed objectives have a clear gender/sex dimension and how the project contributes to solving this. |
|  (maximum of 450 words) |

# Short Description of Work

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| Provide a draft of the description of work by including the following sections in a maximum of 1 A4 (Arial 10, or similar):1. Introduction and short Background (knowledge gap, urgency, added value);2. Central hypothesis and research questions;3. Methods;4. Innovative aspects;5. Expected results 6. Societal impact7. Involvement of patients and stakeholders with experiential knowledge during the design and execution of your project. |
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# Contributing partners

Please indicate which parties are required for this project and how the expected collaboration strengthens the feasibility, impact and sustainability of the project. Describe the synergistic value and quality of the (expected) contributing parties to the execution and results of this project. Please indicate which parties are already committed, which parties you are in negotiation with, and/or which parties are prospects. We explicitly invite non-academic partners to apply and participate, for example top-clinical hospitals, cardiac rehabilitation centers or higher education institutions.

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| **Synergistic value of partners in this project** |
|  (maximum of 150 words) |

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| **Institute of applicant\*** |
| *Name, title* | *Organization* | *Position* | *Expertise* |
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\*Institute of the applicant is a Dutch organization that carries responsibility for the project, and for the dissemination and exploitation of the project results. The lead institute is also the employer of the applicant. In general, this institute is a knowledge institute, or medical/health centre (f.e. cardiac rehabilitation clinic).

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| **Participating organizations\*** |  |
| *Name, title* | *Organization\*\** | *Position* | *Expertise* | *Committed/In negotiation/ Prospect* |
|  | □ public□ private |  |  |  |

\*A participating organization is a Dutch organization that carries substantive responsibility for a part of the project, the dissemination and/or exploitation of the results. A participating organization that benefits from the net income or earnings of the organization cannot be funded by the DHF, unless all of the net income or earnings are used for the stated purpose of the organization to increase the social impact and/or public good.

\*\*Organizations can be:

a. Public partners can exist of institutes that are from the government, or include Universities, Medical Centers (UMC or peripheral top clinical teaching hospitals) or research institutes that are affiliated with NWO, KNAW, NKI etc.

b. Private parties include any individual, partnership, company, corporation, or other entity, which is not a government agency or owned in any part by a government agency.

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| **Co-funder(s)\*** |  |
| *Name, title* | *Organization* | *Position* | *Expertise* | *Committed/In negotiation/ Prospect* |
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\*Co-funders contribute in the form of a financial and/or material donation for the execution of the project.

# Budget

Please give a general indication of your expected total project budget and expected amount of funding from the DHF in the table below. We advise project ideas to request up to €500.000 of DHF funding. Please note that the requested amount for project ideas is indicative only. A detailed budget allocation will be developed under responsibility of the intended research leaders during the full consortium proposal phase.

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| Estimated total project budget | € |
| Estimated funding requested from DHF | € |
| Estimated total co-funding | € |
| **Expected co-funding** | **In cash** | **In kind** |
| Name organization: | □ public□ private | € | € |
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# Motivation letter

Please attach a separate letter of a maximum of 1 A4 to motivate your commitment to a national thematic collaboration on CVD in women and how you will contribute to this initiative. Describe the expertise, networks, data or other infrastructure, in-kind and if applicable in-cash, support you will contribute to this initiative if selected. Indicate and motivate whether you are interested in taking a leading role within the new consortium.

# Resume

Attach your CV (maximum of 2 A4) using the provided template. Applicants are expected to have a proven track record in the field of sex and gender differences in CVD, demonstrated for example through scientific publications, leadership in relevant research projects, and contributions to guidelines, policy or implementation.

# Submission of your project idea

Please submit this form, your motivation letter and resume in three separate PDF-files not later than **21st of October** at **14:00h** via e-mail to: research@hartstichting.nl.

You will receive a confirmation e-mail within 24 hours. If you do not receive a confirmation your application is not submitted. Please contact the contact person immediately (see chapter 6 in the brochure).