



## The HBP Research Infrastructure Voucher Programme Call 2019 Call Text

The Human Brain Project (HBP) is providing its expertise and skills to researchers and groups around the world through the HBP Research Infrastructure (RI) Voucher Programme.

The vouchers give researchers outside the Project access to the HBP infrastructure services and its engineers; with the help of the engineers, the voucher winners will be to implement new infrastructure capabilities to solve specific problems not covered by the current RI toolset. The focus is on projects that will be relevant for using and/or contributing to the further development of the HBP research infrastructure.

The aim is to open the HBP research infrastructure to meet the needs of the user community in a dynamic new way and to establish collaborations that pursue technology innovation and engineering solutions of mutual interest and benefit.

A call for applications for the RI Voucher Programme 2019 opened on 16 July 2019, with the first cut-off date on 27 September 2019 17:00 Brussels time (CET).

The call is open to all non-HBP researchers, with separate target groups from academic, nonacademic and medical research (including hospitals), and industry and pharma (SMEs and companies).

For the HBP measures for equal opportunities are an important topic. Thus, we explicitly encourage applications from women and groups of applicants who have considered gender equality aspects in their group of applicants.

Important note: While benefiting from tailor-made developments and solutions for their projects, voucher winners will not receive any direct funding for their work from the HBP. The vouchers fund the work of the HBP infrastructure engineering teams to implement the RI features requested by the voucher winners.

The size of each voucher will depend on the personnel and travel costs required to realise the new RI capability sought by that voucher winner and to allow for intensive exchange between the participants. The vouchers are worth between 6 to 12 months of engineering/development time (maximum 12 person months), plus travel costs.

Interested applicants should get in contact with the HBP already during the application process to work together with the HBP Platform engineers concerned to refine their proposals.

If you have any questions, please contact us at <u>vouchers@humanbrainproject.eu</u>.

For more information, please go to the HBP Open Calls Platform at: <u>https://opencalls.humanbrainproject.eu/all\_calls</u>.