

Grant Agreement
between the
International Science Programme,
and
IPICS BUF:01

ISP Dnr 2024/1:3

Specific Conditions

This grant Agreement has been entered into between:

- (1) The International Science Programme (ISP), Uppsala University, Sweden and
- (2) IPICS BUF:01 (the Supported Partner),

Name of Research Group/Network (if settled): ECEBiO	
Title of project/network:	
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jointly referred to as the Parties.

1 Scope and background

- 1.1 The Supported Partner has in 2023 submitted an application for scientific network support, including budget and objectives, referred here to as Annex B (the Project Document), regarding financial support to the project/programme entitled “ECEBIO” described therein (the Project).
- 1.2 ISP has decided to award a grant to be used exclusively for the implementation of the Project during the period **from 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2026** (the Activity Period).
- 1.3 The Parties have agreed to enter into an Agreement, consisting of these Specific Conditions and the following annexes, all of which form an integral part of this Agreement. In the event of discrepancies between the Specific Conditions and the Annexes, the Specific Conditions shall prevail. In the event of discrepancies between the General Conditions and the other Annexes, the General Conditions shall prevail.

Annexes: (with the exception of Annex B, available at www.isp.uu.se/documents, under the heading Agreement Annexes)

Annex 1: ISP Guidelines for Financial Administration

Annex 2: ISP Terms of Reference for Annual Audit

Annex A: General Conditions applicable to Grants from Sida to Swedish Governmental Authorities (Version 1.3 of September 2019)

Annex B: Project Document/Application

Annex C-E: (void)

Annex F: Sida Procurement Provisions (Version 1.0 of August 2018)

2 Implementation of the Project

- 2.1 The Supported Partner shall implement the Project under its own responsibility and in accordance with the Agreement.
- 2.2 During the implementation of the Project, the Supported Partner shall exercise the necessary diligence, efficiency and transparency in line with sound financial management, cost-efficiency and best practise principles
- 2.3 The Supported Partner shall identify, assess and mitigate any relevant risks associated with the implementation of the Project, including the risk of corruption and other irregularities, and any other potential negative effects.
- 2.4 The Supported Partner must, without delay, inform ISP of any circumstances likely to hamper or delay the implementation of the Project.
- 2.5 Forwarding of Grant funds from the Supported Partner to third parties is not permitted.

3 The Grant

ISP undertakes to finance the Project by way of Grant allocations, provided that ISP's donors contribute continued financial support for the purpose. The grant is available in yearly instalments, which can be accessed as given in Annex 1.

	2024	2025	2026	Total
Grant (amount in SEK)	251,000	361,000	370,000	982,000

- 3.1 ISP has the right to withdraw unused funds from the project after each fiscal year unless a request for carrying over funds to the next year has been approved by ISP.
- 3.2 The Grant, shall be used exclusively to finance the actual costs of the implementation of the Project during the Activity Period.
- 3.3 The Supported Partner is responsible for obtaining any additional resources which may be required to duly implement the Project. This shall be given in the annual activity report.

4 Disbursements

- 4.1 The Grant shall be disbursed in accordance with ISP's Guidelines for financial administration, Annex 1, based on the financial need of the Project for the upcoming period. Financial need refers to the budgeted expenditure for the upcoming period, less any funds available to the Project from all other sources during the same period.
- 4.2 At the end of each year, ISP reserves the right to withdraw any positive balance on the Supported Partner's account at ISP, unless notified before 1 November and accepted by the concerned ISP program director. Any negative balance will be deducted from next year's allocation.

- 4.3 ISP may suspend disbursements in addition to the provisions in articles 10 and 16 of the General Conditions if ISP deems that significant new circumstances or developments have arisen or changes have occurred which put ISP's continued support into question.

5 Reporting and other documentation

- 5.1 ISP will provide the templates for reporting documents. The following shall be submitted by the Supported Partner to ISP:
- a) An annual **activity report** covering the period from January to December shall be submitted to ISP by **28 February** each year.
 - b) A **financial report** covering the period from January to December shall be submitted to ISP by **28 February** each year. The financial report shall include the content specified in Annex 1, on the template for financial reporting that is provided by ISP
 - c) The Supported Partner shall ensure that any funds that has been transferred to its local account are audited following the conditions given in Annex 1, and that the audit is carried out according to Annex 2, which constitutes the Terms of Referens for Audit to be followed by the auditor.
 - d) ISP must approve the selected auditor and for that the auditor shall submit documentation, a certificate or credentials, to prove their knowledge and independence.
 - e) When audit is required, an **audit report, management letter** and **management response** according to the requirements in article 8 and Annex 2 shall be submitted to ISP by **31 March** each year.
 - f) An updated **revised budget** covering the period from January to December shall be submitted to ISP by **28 February** each year
- 5.2 If the Supported Partner is unable to meet the deadlines set out above, ISP shall be informed immediately.
- 5.3 All documents shall be drafted in English and are subject to ISP's written approval unless otherwise agreed by the Parties.
- 5.4 Reallocations between budget lines are allowed if less 15% of the budget line. Larger reallocations shall be subject to ISP's approval.

6 Acknowledgements

- 6.1 In all dissemination and activities by the Supported Partner, where ISP funding has been used, ISP must be acknowledged. This may comprise, but not be limited to, publications in scientific journals, other publications, contributions to scientific conferences, and academic theses, as well as arrangement of scientific meetings and events.

The wording of acknowledgements can be given as in the following example:

The Swedish International Cooperation Agency (Sida), through the International Science Programme (ISP), Uppsala University, Sweden, is acknowledged for financial support.”

Should support only to specific co-authors be the case the formulation can be added with “...to [name/s].”

7 Procurement

- 7.1 All procurement carried out by any Implementing Partners shall be completed in accordance to local regulations, or to the Sida procurement provisions (Annex F), in the case the latter are stricter.
- 7.2 At the request of either of the Parties, consultations may be held on any matter relating to procurement.
- 7.3 ISP has, at any time during the Activity Period, the right to carry out checks on procurements or initiate a procurement audit. The Supported Partner shall provide ISP with all necessary documentation and information upon request.

8 Notices

- 8.1 The Parties shall cooperate and regularly communicate with each other on all matters relevant to the implementation of the Project and this Agreement. The Parties shall hold meetings if or when requested by either Party.
- 8.2 All communication to ISP concerning the Agreement shall be directed to the responsible directors of the programme.
- 8.3 All communication to the Supported Partner concerning the Agreement shall be directed to the assigned leader.
- 8.4 ISP's project identification code shall be stated in all correspondence regarding this Agreement, including disbursement requests and repayment of unused funds.

9 Validity Period of the Agreement

- 9.1 The Agreement shall enter into force at **1 January 2024** and remain valid until **31 December 2026**, unless it is terminated earlier in accordance with the provisions of the General Conditions (Annex A) or Article 4.3 in this Agreement, or until the return of any unused funds to ISP and the fulfilment of the reporting requirements of this Agreement, at which time this Agreement expires.
- 9.2 Termination or expiry of the Agreement shall not release the Parties from any liability arising from any act or omission that has taken place prior to such termination or expiry.

10 Settlement of disputes

- 10.1 Any dispute, controversy or claim arising out of or in connection with this Agreement, or the breach, termination or validity thereof, shall be settled amicably through negotiations between ISP and the Supported Partner.

11 Signatures

- 11.1 This Agreement has been signed, and distributed to the Parties.



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