

# ILS 2.0 - Call for Applications

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## Introduction

Leiden Law School has been granted € 1.000.000 from the Board of Leiden University in relation to its Profile Area *Interaction Between Legal Systems* (ILS 2.0). The main goal of ILS 2.0 is to stimulate multidisciplinary and innovative research transcending faculty institutes and/ or sections (“afdelingen”) with a substantive focus on the interaction between legal systems. It runs from 1 April 2016 - 1 April 2020.

As described in more detail in the ILS 2.0 MEMO, the ILS 2.0 budget is divided over:

- three key projects of € 200.000 each (total sum: € 600.000; see attached ILS 2.0 MEMO sub IIIa);
- two key project-related activities (total sum: € 180.000 + € 60.000 = € 240.000; see ILS 2.0 MEMO sub III b-c);
- a variety of other ILS-activities (total sum: € 160.000; see ILS 2.0 MEMO sub III d-f).

## ILS 2.0 governance

The three project leaders of the three key projects will also become the “ILS-trekkers” and in that capacity they will be responsible for the governance of all ILS-activities, including the attribution of the variety of other ILS-activities outside their own key projects. These other activities include ten ILS-seminars (€ 40.000 in total; see ILS 2.0 MEMO sub III d); an award of seed-money (€ 60.000 in total; see ILS 2.0 MEMO sub III e), Lorentz-events (€ 60.000 in total; see ILS 2.0 MEMO sub III f); total sum of other ILS-activities: € 160.000.

## Call for applications

This call for applications regards the key projects and the two key project-related activities of the ILS-budget (see ILS 2.0 MEMO sub III a-c). These are:

- a. Key project à € 200.000 (€ 600.000 in total for three key projects).
- b. Matching PhD-position à € 60.000 (€ 180.000 in total for three matching PhD-positions).
- c. “Toogdag”/ International conference à € 20.000 (€ 60.000 in total for three conferences).

Applicant teams may apply for the key projects and the two project-related activities in an integrated proposal.

Each applicant team is headed by a project leader (professor or associate professor with a minimum appointment at Leiden Law School of 0,6 fte). The application must be supported by a minimum of three professors/associate professors (each appointed for a 0,6 fte or more), from different faculty institutes and /or sections.

### **Application form and selection criteria**

There is no application form or strict format. Applications are submitted by the project leader. Maximum word count is 1500 words (including footnotes). Applications should (i) list the main researchers of the team and their contributions, (ii) address the selection criteria (listed below) and in addition (iii) given that the key project leader also becomes an ‘ILS-trekker’ (see above sub I Governance of ILS 2.0) the application should set out how the project leader envisages to govern the other ILS-activities outside his/her own project (see ILS 2.0 MEMO sub d-f).

*The selection criteria are:*

- innovative, frontier research transcending and significantly enhancing cooperation and synergy between faculty institutes, sections and/or programmes
- a substantive focus on the (horizontal, vertical) interaction between legal systems
- substantive scientific output and spin off, including significant scientific footprint of the project and societal relevance
- track record project leader regarding management, governance, and scientific output
- the application must be supported by a minimum of three professors/associate professors (each appointed for a 0,6 fte or more), from different faculty institutes and/or sections

*Other elements of relevance:*

- possibility of generating future funding / continuation of the project after exhaustion ILS-budget
- possibilities for fruitful international cooperation

### **Selection procedure and time line**

1 November 2015: Submission deadline.

To be submitted to [m.p.sombroek@law.leidenuniv.nl](mailto:m.p.sombroek@law.leidenuniv.nl) (before 23.59 hrs)

15 November 2015: Research Board selects and ranks three to five proposals that are submitted to external advisory reviewers. The external advisory reviewers are selected by the Faculty Board upon recommendation of the Faculty Research Director/Vice Dean.

15 December 2015: Applicants of selected proposals by the Research Board are invited to finalize their proposals and integrate possible questions and suggestions of the reviewers and the Research Board. The final applications must include a budget, time schedule, detailed overview of expected scientific output and of ILS-governance. In case only three proposals

are ranked for external advice and elaboration, the final grant decision by the Research Board still depends on the elaboration of the proposal and the way previously received advice and suggestions have been taken into account.

1 March 2016: Submission deadline final applications.

To be submitted to [m.p.sombroek@law.leidenuniv.nl](mailto:m.p.sombroek@law.leidenuniv.nl) (before 23.59).

15 March 2016: Award of grants.

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