

How do I apply for this grant?

Information for practice partners and social organisations

What is this grant?

The Dutch Climate Research Initiative (**KIN**) wants science and practice to work together on solutions for climate change. That is why there is a call for proposals for projects that develop new working methods and processes to accelerate climate transitions. More information about KIN can be found [here](#).

Why does this grant exist?

In order to truly tackle complex problems such as climate change, KIN wants to encourage collaboration between researchers and practitioners, value different types of knowledge, and make room for innovative ideas that contribute to fair and sustainable change in systems. We call this transition-oriented working with a **transition mindset**.

Is this relevant to us?

Yes, especially if your organisation is involved in climate issues and you want to collaborate with researchers to develop new ways of working. This includes local authorities, civil society organisations, businesses, or networks active in sustainability and transition.

What can you apply for?

KIN calls for projects that:

- Strengthen collaboration between science and practice.
- Develop new working methods that support system change.
- Help researchers and practice partners to work with a transition mindset.

Projects can focus on:

- **Validation:** Does the method really work? How do you measure success and learn from it?
- **Further development:** Improving, expanding or applying an existing method in a new context.
- **Making it widely accessible:** Making methods available to others through, for example, manuals, websites or training courses.

Extra attention is paid to under-exposed themes such as transition pain, grief, chaos, imagination and social movement.

Examples:

- Testing a new participation method for local climate initiatives together.
- Adapting an existing tool for climate justice for use in municipalities.
- Developing a handbook for organisations that want to support transition pain.

Project requirements

Projects must:

- Promote collaboration between disciplines and practice
- Contribute to sustainable system change

- Take climate justice into account
- Be scalable and transferable

Projects that merely improve existing systems without fundamentally questioning them, or that do not engage in collaboration with practice, are not eligible.

How does the application process work?

1. **Read the call for proposals** on the [website](#).
2. **Individuals or consortia** of researchers and partners in the field can apply.
3. **Develop a project proposal** in which you demonstrate how your idea contributes to system change **and** collaboration.
4. **Submit the proposal** via the application portal (link on the website).
Please note: projects must be transdisciplinary, incorporate climate justice and be scalable.

About the KIN and this call for proposals

Science in Transition – Summary of call for proposals

The Climate Research Initiative Netherlands (KIN) believes that science must also change in order to make a real contribution to climate solutions. The current approach to research is often too fragmented and competitive, which means it does not sufficiently help with complex problems such as climate change.

That is why KIN is promoting a new approach: a transition mindset. This means collaboration between researchers and practitioners, valuing different types of knowledge, and making room for innovative ideas that contribute to fair and sustainable change in systems.

Working together for real change

KIN is committed to transdisciplinary and transformative working. This means that science and practice work together to experiment and find out what is needed to change the status quo, learning together and from each other in the process. This creates knowledge that is better aligned with what society needs.

Transformative working goes beyond simply responding to questions. It challenges existing structures and actively seeks alternatives. How you collaborate is important: who you involve, how you conduct the conversation, and how you ensure that real change happens.