

# Social Research Call 2020

## At a glance



"la Caixa" Foundation launches an open and competitive call for **excellent social research** projects that rely on data to provide robust quantitative evidence and insights about current and emerging **social challenges** through an **original and innovative approach**.



Open to **researchers from all disciplines** whose research focuses on current or emerging social challenges, shedding light on social phenomena and providing a better understanding or measurement of social interactions in the context of or replicable to Spain and Portugal.



**1.5 million euros** available to be awarded to projects of 100.000 euros and up to 24 months duration.



Funding scheme **oriented towards results** delivered through at least one scientific publication in an indexed journal, a dissemination article for a lay audience and one knowledge brokering activity.



**Extremely easy application.** Two-stage submission process: 3-page short proposal followed by 15-page full proposal only for shortlisted applications.

### Disruptive selection process



**Multidisciplinary panels:** Evaluators will come from different fields of knowledge.

**Stakeholders involved:** Practitioners and stakeholders will play an active role in the selection of proposals.

**Thoroughgoing assessment:** Granted proposals will be assessed by up to 25 independent experts with wide experience in their fields and proven skills in evaluating research proposals.

**Blind-reviewed:** Proposals will be anonymized until the final stage in order to foster equal opportunities for the best ideas.

### Evaluation criteria



**Originality and novelty:** Proposals are expected to offer an original perspective, use novel concepts, new methodologies and approaches and/or be disruptive in the management of data.

**Social relevance:** The proposal must address a relevant social issue(s) bringing significant benefits for society.

**Data-based methodology:** Proposals have to rely on quantitative data analysis techniques to produce data-based knowledge that deliver reliable evidence for decision-makers in policy and practice.

**Proven expertise:** Project leaders and research teams must show clear appropriate experience to carry out the project proposed.

### Timeline

