

Policy on AI use in applications for EACR funding or support

‘EACR funding or support’ includes Travel Fellowships, Travel Grants, Postdoctoral Fellowships, workshops and any other application or nomination for an award or fellowship administered by or awarded by the EACR.

This policy outlines the EACR’s expectations for the use of generative AI tools when preparing funding applications, as well as guidance for reviewers. Our aim is to ensure applications reflect applicants’ own ideas and work, while maintaining confidentiality, accuracy, and fairness.

Applicants who do not follow this policy may have their applications removed from consideration. Where possible, we will contact applicants to clarify or update their submission. If issues are not resolved within the required timeframe, the application may be disqualified. Repeated or serious breaches could also affect eligibility for future funding.

What we expect from applicants

1. Responsible use

If using AI we expect you to do so thoughtfully and responsibly, taking into account its environmental impact and the importance of using your own genuine voice. Your application should clearly reflect your personal goals and provide an authentic account of your motivation, need and expected impact.

2. Accuracy and accountability

AI must not be used, intentionally or otherwise, to misrepresent your capabilities, impact, or eligibility. You are responsible for the final content of your application, including the accuracy of all information and any tools or sources used in its preparation.

3. Transparency

You should disclose any use of AI in the preparation of your application, except where it was used solely for simple language translation or grammar checks. Our application portal includes a dedicated field for this disclosure, where you should list the name of each AI tool used, the exact prompts, whether AI influenced key arguments or conclusions, and how you reviewed and verified any AI-generated content. This disclosure is for transparency and monitoring purposes only and will not affect the assessment.

What we expect from expert reviewers

Reviewers must not input any content from our confidential applications into generative AI tools. This protects applicant privacy, intellectual property, and the confidentiality of all submissions.