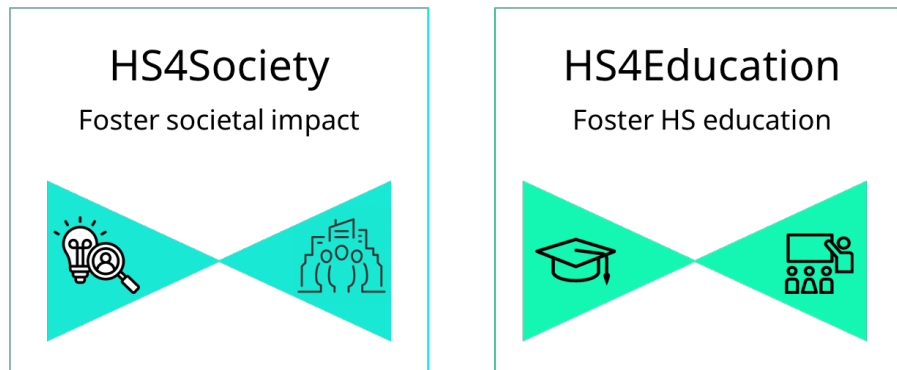


Healthy Start-ers Fund

Do you have a concrete idea to foster societal impact or educational innovation related to our Healthy Start ambitions? The Healthy Start-ers Fund can help you to put your ideas into practice.

In 2022 we launched Healthy Start, formulated our strategic plan and started building on our 6 long-term ambition projects. In 2023 we want to support short term and concrete activities that will foster societal impact, collaboration with societal partners and Healthy Start education. We do so by opening 2 new instruments with our Healthy Start-ers Fund.



HS4Society

We invite researchers and their external partners to submit plans that will foster societal impact through

- 1) Concrete (short term) activities for and with an external partner/stakeholder within the context of Healthy Start. For example masterclasses, creative products (e.g. films), proof of principles, policy briefs, etc.
- 2) Concrete activities to strengthen ongoing Healthy Start research by collaboration with external stakeholders, for example through short term research by students, support in building consortia for larger subsidies or deep dive sessions.

External partners/stakeholders are for example public, welfare and private organisations, government bodies and city councils.

HS4Education

We invite researchers and educators to submit plans to innovate existing education programs/courses or design new activities for master, minor and graduate level related to Healthy Start.

Examples of (extra-curricular) educational activities that could fit are:

- Healthy Start research projects within education;
- extracurricular activities such as student challenges, professional education, digital education (such as MOOCs),
- facilities to support transdisciplinary activities for existing courses such as co-creation labs.

CONDITIONS

Who can apply?

All faculty members of the EUR, Erasmus MC and TU Delft (assistant, associate professor, lecturer; including 'tenure trackers' and post-docs).

Budget and funding principles

The budget per project is max. 15 k€.

- Temporary hiring a new person or extending an existing contract is possible, as long as the purpose of this extension is clear and fits the aims of the seed funding project.
- We do not allow applicants to write their own hours on a Healthy Start-ers Fund project.
- Funding cannot be used for sub-contracting of companies.
- We expect to be able to grant in total around 10 projects.

Criteria

Eligibility

- The project should fit within 1 (or more) Healthy Start ambition(s) and discussed with (one of the members of) the Ambition Core Team(s).
- The project should involve at least 2 or more researchers from at least 2 convergence partners (TUD, EUR, EMC).
- You can only apply for one project as main applicant and for one project as co-applicant.
- For HS4Society: The involved partner(s) should be involved in the project as co-applicant, with a concrete role/contribution to the project and include a letter of commitment.
- The proposal should be complete en submitted before the deadline.

Priority criteria:

- Expected impact of the proposed project.
- A SMART activity plan with tangible results and an appropriate time frame.
- Feasibility of proposed project.
- HS4Society: Potential for long-term collaboration with partners and/or scale-up of the project.
- HS4Education: Potential for long-term continuation and/or scale-up of the educational activity.

Administration and obligations

The full funding amount is transferred to the main applicant's financial code soon after the funding is awarded and should be spent before 31 December 2023.

The following obligations apply if you receive seed funding:

- Upon request, applicants should make results and other project updates available to Healthy Start to be shared through our channels such as our website and LinkedIn.
- At the end of the Start-ers Fund, we require a written and/or visual report of the project.

When to apply

The deadline for applications **Monday 17 April 2023, 14:00 CEST**. Applicants should fill out the application form and send it as a single PDF file to j.p.kockx@tudelft.nl before the deadline.

Selection procedure

All proposals will be checked on eligibility by Marije Wassenaar en Jennifer Kockx.

The selection committee will be comprised by the management team of Healthy Start (Eveline Crone, Vincent Jaddoe, Maaïke Kleinsmann and Jennifer Kockx). In activities where a member of the committee has a conflict of interest, appropriate measures will be taken.

Contact persons

For questions you can contact Marije Wassenaar (marije.wassenaar@eur.nl) or Jennifer Kockx (j.p.kockx@tudelft.nl)

Healthy Start-ers Fund - Application Form

Project proposals are strictly limited to 2 pages A4, font Arial 10 pt., and should be submitted as PDF. Carefully read the guidelines to ensure your proposal is eligible.

I. General information

- Project title
- Main applicant: Name, affiliation and contact details
A faculty member of EUR, Erasmus MC and TU Delft (assistant, associate professor, lecturer; including 'tenure trackers' and post-docs),
- Team (co-applicants): Please specify other involved convergence researchers and/or external stakeholders/partners with name, affiliation and contact details.
The project should involve at least 2 or more researchers from at least 2 convergence partners (TUD, EUR, Erasmus MC). Each external partner should include a letter of commitment.

II. Type of Healthy Start-ers Fund

- HS4Society or HS4Education

III. Fit with Healthy Start Ambition(s)

- Indicate in which Healthy Start Ambition(s) your project fits.
- Indicate with which Ambition Core Team member(s) you discussed.
- Explain why it fits within this/these ambition(s)

IV. Description of the project

Include at least the following information (make it as SMART as possible):

- Summary project
 - Objectives and expected results
 - Approach and proposed activities
 - Time-line and planning
 - Explanation on the role of collaboration in the project (inter- and/or trans-disciplinary)
- Impact
 - Expected impact and relevance of this project
- Follow-up
 - HS4 Society: Potential for long-term collaboration with partners and/or scale-up of the project
 - HS4Education: Potential for long-term continuation and/or scale-up of the educational activity

V. Budget

Add a concise budget overview (max. 15 k€). Please motivate the budget briefly.

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Budget	
Description of costs	Costs in euros

VI. Start date

Indicate the expected start date.