

H-Gaza Virtual Research Collaboration Hub

Call for Applications

UNIMED - Mediterranean Universities Union is launching a Call for Applications to participate in the H-Gaza Virtual Research Collaboration Hub, a 9-month programme to support 75 Palestinian researchers in or from Gaza to continue their research activities and expand international collaborations.

H-Gaza is funded by the European Union through Horizon Europe (project nr. 101262261).

What the programme offers

Selected researchers will benefit from:

- Mentoring and career guidance
- Research capacity support of up to EUR 7000 for each selected researcher
- Discipline-specific discussion groups
- Training in transferable skills
- Networking and collaboration opportunities

The programme will run from September 2026 to May 2027.

Who can apply

To be eligible, applicants must:

- Be:
 - PhD candidates enrolled in a PhD programme at a university in Gaza; or
 - Postdoctoral or experienced researchers holding a PhD;
- Be affiliated with a university in Gaza at the time of application;
- Be currently residing in Gaza or displaced outside Gaza after 7 October 2023.

Thematic areas

The call is open to all disciplines, with priority given to research related to:

1. Infrastructure, energy, and urban development
2. Health systems and environmental sustainability
3. Education, culture, and social development
4. Economic systems, governance, and employment
5. Digital technologies and innovation systems

What can be funded

Funding covers the following research-related costs:

- Publication and dissemination costs



- Research materials and software
- Data access and datasets
- Online training and capacity building
- Online/onsite conference participation
- Digital tools and internet/connectivity costs
- Other justified research-related expenses
- A contribution fee for participation in feedback activities linked to the pilot nature of the programme.

Application process

Applications must be submitted online in English through the webpage of the Call for Applications at <https://h-gaza.eu/hub> together with the following supporting documents:

1. Application form (based on the application template)
2. Curriculum vitae
3. List of publications
4. Academic certificates
5. Proof of affiliation with a university in Gaza

Important dates

- Call launch: 1 July 2026
- **Application deadline: 31 July 2026, 23:59 Palestine time**
- Notification of results: September 2026
- Signature of the engagement agreement and onboarding: September 2026

More information

More information on the eligibility criteria, application documents, and the evaluation process can be found on the webpage of the Call for Applications at <https://h-gaza.eu/hub>.

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