

## Criteria for participation in research projects:

Partnering in projects, joining project consortia, accepting advisory roles.

***PAGES can become a partner in, or partner with:***

- Research and Innovation (R&I) projects if the project mission(s) align(s) with the PAGES Mission Statement and/or derive from, and are a **central part of, a PAGES Working Group (WG)**.

***By limiting the projects that PAGES participates in, or partners with, PAGES seeks to actively avoid:***

- Arbitrary decisions;
- Perception of unequal treatment of researchers, teams and institutions;
- Ambiguity of PAGES' role as a coordination platform in performing R&I; and
- Conflicting interests between member countries.

This does not preclude PAGES from participating in external bodies associated with projects, such as advisory or stakeholder committees, after they have secured a grant. The latter, and all potential project participation, will be assessed on a case-by-case basis and determined by the availability of resources at the PAGES International Project Office.