



# GRANTS

FOR ENHANCING MANUFACTURING CAPACITIES  
AND ACCESS TO VACCINES, MEDICINES, AND  
HEALTH TECHNOLOGIES IN SOUTH AFRICA

## CALL FOR PROJECT PROPOSALS

The Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) SAVax project on behalf of the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and the European Union (EU), together with the South African National Department of Science and Innovation (DSI), launches this Competitive Call for Proposals to support innovation and product development by consortia of private sector entities and research institutions.

The selected projects should support the development of innovative vaccines, pharmaceuticals, and diagnostics and/or technologies that address healthcare challenges in South Africa and the African context. In addition, they should foster the translation of research findings into tangible products, market access, and solutions that benefit public health.



**For this call, proposals are welcomed, but not limited to, projects focusing on the following:**

- (i) Research and product development of vaccines, pharmaceuticals, diagnostics, and health technologies, this includes drug/product discovery, as well as upstream/downstream contributions to the development thereof.
- (ii) Clinical validation of drugs, vaccines and diagnostics as well as clinical validation/bioequivalence studies/trials.
- (iii) Innovations and application of new technologies in product formulation and development for underserved patient groups.

The SAVax Joint Action project will allocate grants up to **EUR 350,000** to selected eligible proposals. Eligible applicants comprise consortia of private companies and public institutions (including universities and research centres) located in South Africa.

The expected contribution from consortia shall be at least **15%** of total project costs under this call for proposals. This contribution may be in salaries, own financial contribution, company/initiative space/rooms, exploratory costs, consultants, marketing and distribution costs, or similar contribution. Eligible consortia are expected to complete the project **within twenty-four (24) months**, which must be reflected in the proposal.

Further information and downloads are available at <https://www.giz.de/en/worldwide/154595.html>. Interested applicants must submit their proposal through the application platform. The submission of applications deadline is **17:00 close of business (COB) SAST on Monday 30 September 2024**.

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