

Who is responsible for what in starting a new research collaboration?

The table below is offered as a reference to help navigate the complex VU-landscape of who is responsible for what in the process of starting a new research collaboration.

Consult who?	On what?
<p>Ask yourself <i>Do you have any, even minor, doubts about a collaboration? Discuss it with your superior or seek advice via contact-wi@vu.nl.</i></p>	<p>Is the collaboration you wish to embark upon desirable within the context of VU? Consider fossil free research (FFR) & knowledge safety, but also greenwashing, ethics washing and other possible risks to academic independence. Importantly, take note of the 5 rules of VU Amsterdam Guidelines for Contractual Partnerships</p>
<p>Institutional and Legal Affairs <i>Legal advice and support in preparing, setting up and signing agreements.</i></p>	<p>Institutional and Legal Affairs can inform you on what (legal) options there are. The earlier their involvement, the better they can help.</p>
<p>Project control <i>Support and advice on budget formulation, grant regulations, reporting processes and budget management.</i></p>	<p>Check whether the budget is in accordance with financial VU guidelines. This step is important to take at the beginning of any new collaboration.</p>
<p>Department manager/Director of Operations/ Faculty Board/ Executive Board <i>Who is responsible depends on the financial aspects of the collaboration.</i></p>	<p>Verify whether the collaboration is in line with ambitions and policy of VU, your faculty and department. Also, a new collaboration may lead to additional costs that your department needs to be aware of and agree with.</p>
<p>IXA-GO <i>IXA-GO is a support desk that helps you in the process of finding and applying for external research funding, valorization your research results and creating impact.</i></p>	<p>If the collaboration is the result of a grant or if the research result leads to impact or business, please contact IXA-GO.</p>