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Additional Secretary (Europe) from Second Secretary

Repeated to: Additional Secretary (ACDIS/PP), Senior Joint Secretary (Plan/IC, Ministry of National Food Security and Research), Executive Director (HEC), Chairman (Pakistan Science Foundation), Director (FSO)

Subject: Horizon Europe Grants on Agriculture

As the Ministry is aware, the European Union, under the Horizon Europe program periodically offers research grants in various disciplines. The AGRIP-SIMPLE-2024 grant call, available through the EU Funding & Tenders Portal, provides a significant opportunity for agricultural researchers in Pakistan to collaborate with EU agri-research institutions. This grant supports projects aimed at simplifying agricultural practices and enhancing sustainable farming across Europe.

2. With a total budget of 87 million euros for the call, funding opportunities are segmented into different themes such as organic farming, sustainability, and specific regional focuses like Asia and the Americas, with varying funding allocations per topic. Furthermore, the grant call supports various strategic actions, such as promoting EU quality schemes and organic production, and emphasizes the sustainability of EU agriculture, highlighting its role in climate benefits and animal welfare. It targets increasing consumer awareness and consumption of European fresh fruits and vegetables, thereby supporting healthy dietary practices.
3. The deadline for submitting proposals is 14 May 2024. Further details on the submission procedure and criteria can be accessed at the link below:
 - <https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/calls-for-proposals?callIdentifier=AGRIP-SIMPLE-2024>
4. It is requested that the information on the grant call be kindly disseminated among agricultural research institutions across Pakistan.

Kind regards,

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