For the future

The Icelandic Centre for Research – Rannís – is a one-stop shop for public funding and support in research, innovation, education, culture and youth activities. We also promote funding opportunities abroad and support international partnerships.

Through the years countless individuals, schools, businesses, institutions, have benefited from our competitive grants and secured funding to take their ideas to the next stage and unlock their potential.
Rannís is responsible for administering Icelandic public funding and training opportunities in the fields of research, innovation, culture, education and youth activities. Internationally, we also administer the Icelandic national agencies for Erasmus+, Horizon 2020, Nordplus, the EEA Grants, among several others. The community we serve is wide, and includes stakeholders from the education sector, businesses, universities, start-ups, individuals and other independent organisations, research institutions and public bodies throughout Iceland and Europe.

We promote Icelandic successes in the fields of education, innovation and research, and inform the wider public of these successes and achievements. We do this by holding a number of annual events, namely our Innovation Conference, Research Conference, and the awarding of the Erasmus+ Quality Award, the Motivation Award for Young Researchers, and the President's Student Innovation Award. These events are promoted through the national media and within the relevant community.

The work Rannís does plays a crucial role in helping create the strong research and education environment we have here in Iceland. By providing funding, training opportunities, and helping build international connections, we are able to help those in society take their ideas to the next level, lead the way in innovation and research, and contribute to building a better educated and prepared society fit for the future.

Rannís is a public body reporting to the Ministry of Education, Science & Culture. We work in close contact with the Icelandic Science & Technology Policy Council, and provide it with professional assistance in the preparation and implementation of its policy and goals.