



International postdoc

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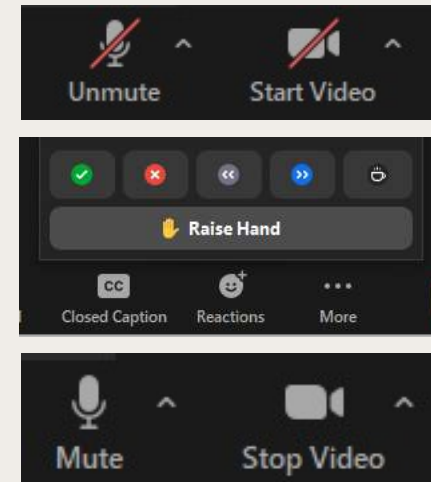
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- By default, keep your microphone on mute and video turned off.
- Indicate question using the "raise hand"-function.
- When you are asked to present your question unmute your microphone and turn video on.
- We welcome your questions after the introduction.





Meeting agenda

1. Introduction International postdoc (IPD)
2. Questions and answers



Introduction International postdoc (IPD)

- Summary of news for 2021
- Aims & terms of the grant
- Assessment process
- Covid-19-related info
- Some advice





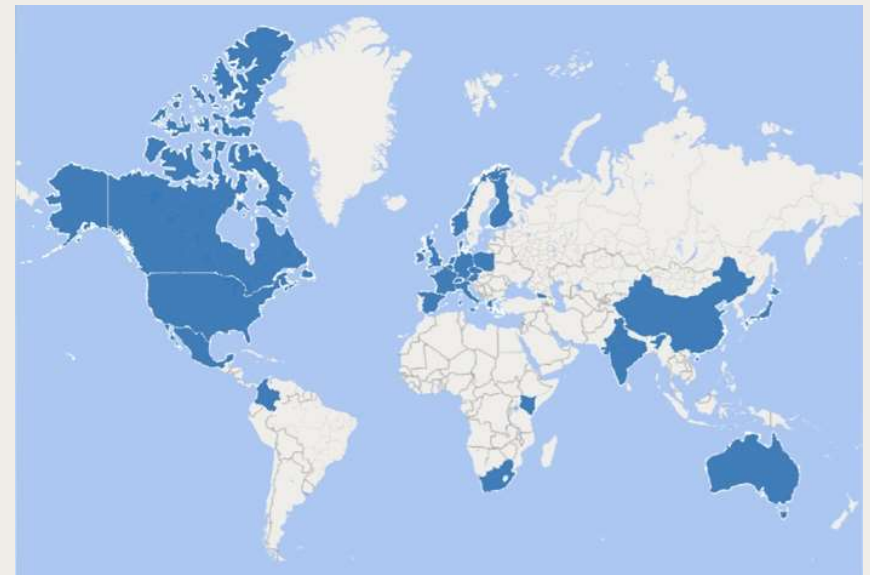
News for 2021

- Apply before a PhD degree
- New grant sum 1 150 000 SEK / year,
additional 50 000 SEK / year for accompanying family
- The grant has been delegated to our Scientific councils
- The grant should also “promote the quality and renewal of Swedish research.”



Aim International Postdoc

The purpose of the grant is to give newly qualified researchers with a doctoral degree from a Swedish university the opportunity to expand their networks and their competences by working abroad under secure employment conditions. The grant is also intended to promote the quality and renewal of Swedish research.





Grant period, costs and grant funding

- 18-36 months (full time)
- At least 2/3 of the time must be spent abroad
- The amount is a standard amount

1 150 000 SEK/year

**Max 150 000 SEK
Research expenses**

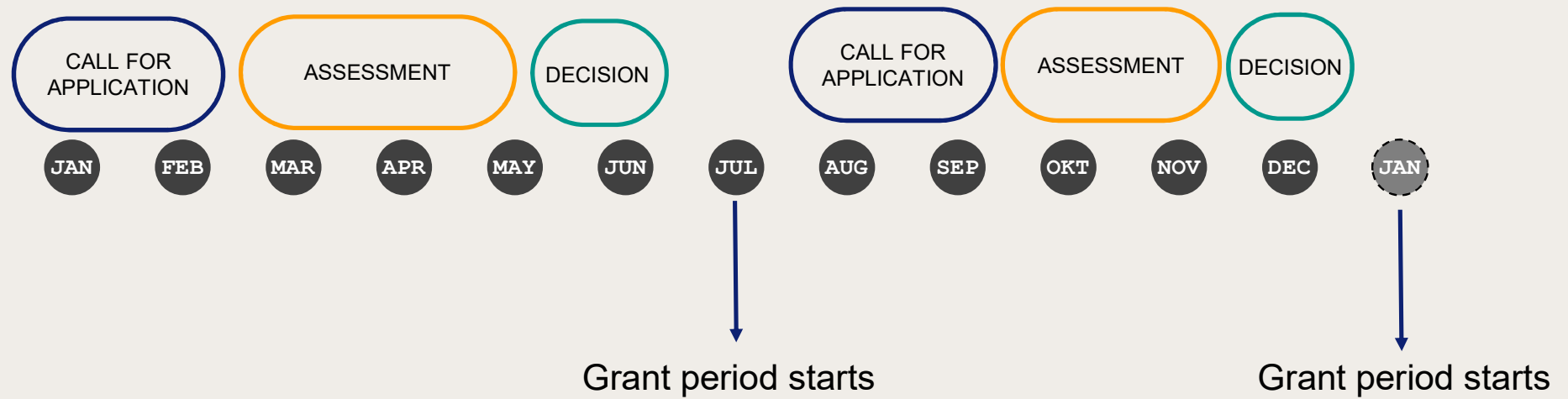
**50 000 SEK/year
Accompanying family**

** research expenses relating to your stay and the research you will be carrying out (such as consumables, travel including stays at research facilities, and publication costs)*



A year for International postdok

Time to decision 10-14 weeks.





MY PROFILE

APPLICATIONS AND GRANTS

På svenska Help Information Processing of personal data

Calls for proposals

Applications

Grants

On the tab **Applications and grants** you can find all open calls for proposals, as well as all your applications and grants. For more detailed information on how to handle your applications and grants, please see chapters **Apply for a grant** and **Applications and grants** in the [User manual](#).

Calls for proposals

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Calls for proposals

Funderingsområde

Apply

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Research education

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PhD degree

Examination date * ⓘ

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Subject *

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First name supervisor * ⓘ

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Review panels

The Swedish Research Council's review panels assess and prioritise around 6 000 applications each year based on scientific quality and the merits of the applicant. The panels consist of around 900 active researchers with expertise in different areas.

Please note! The review panels will be updated in due course. If the page does not state 2021, the names of this year's members will be published later.

Natural and Engineering Sciences

IPD-NT1: International postdoc spring, natural and engineering sciences

Updated: 20 January 2021

NT-01: Mathematical sciences

Updated: 12 June 2020

NT-02: Computer science

Updated: 12 June 2020

NT-03: Health, medicine, life sciences and

Updated: 12 June 2020

NT-04: Atomic and molecular physics, optics and condensed matter physics

Updated: 12 June 2020





Review process

Individual reviews

- At least 3 reviewers per application
- External reviewers
- Grading & ranking

Sifting

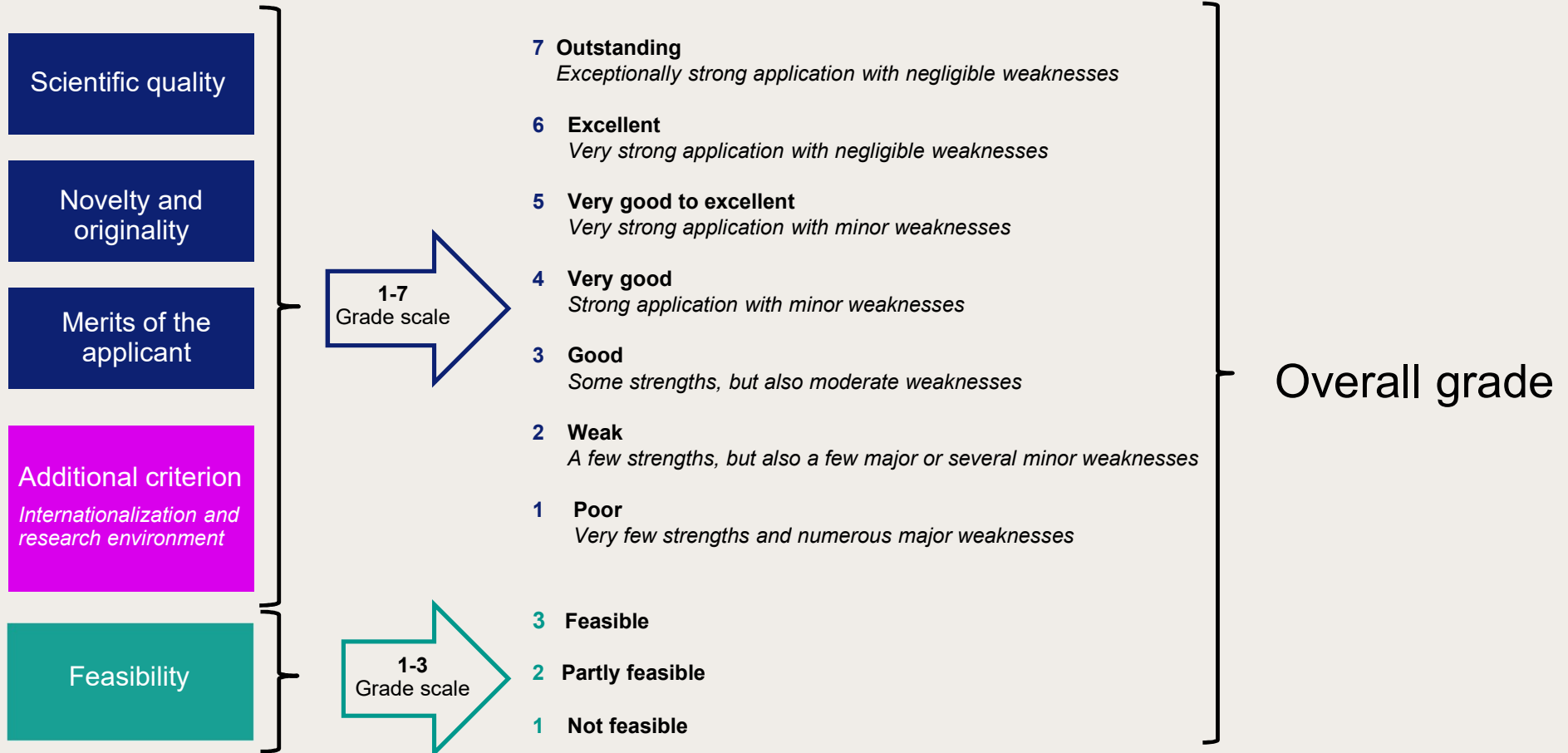
- Applications with the lowest grades are not discussed at the meeting

Panel meeting

- All remaining applications are discussed, jointly graded and ranked by the panel



Assessment Criteria





Guiding questions

Varies between panels (MH/HSES/NE)

Found in the end of the call text:

- *How your application is assessed*

Example

Scientific quality of the proposed research (1-7)

An assessment of the quality of the project's research question and methodology, including its potential for future research.

Guiding questions:

- Are the addressed scientific questions important in the context of existing scientific knowledge and ongoing research worldwide?
- Does the proposal outline a research approach that permits the raised questions to be answered?
- When applicable, is the proposed development of methods or techniques of high scientific significance? Does the proposed development allow new scientific questions to be addressed?
- When applicable, how are issues relating to sex and gender perspectives justified and handled in the research plan?



International Postdoc spring 2021

Subject area	Applications	Granted projects	Approval rate
NE	63	14	22%
HS/ES	72	10	14%
MH	34	13	38%

Subject area	Most popular host countries
NE	UK, USA
HS/ES	Denmark, UK
MH	USA, UK

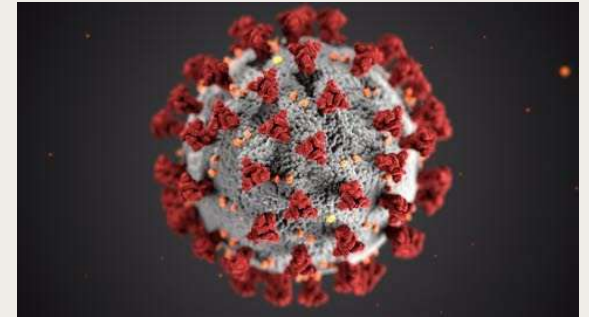


Corona pandemic

You should **not** take the current pandemic situation into account in your application.

1. Postpone start / Pause project
2. Change host
3. Change of project plan

The aim should always be that 2/3 of the time is spent at the host university abroad.





Advice

1. Acquaint yourself with prisma
- read support and FAQ
2. Plan ahead and start in good time
3. Carefully read instructions and call text, submit all information requested

Guide for applicants

CREATE ACCOUNT CREATE APPLICATION REGISTERING WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

1. Create an account in Prisma

Start by creating a personal account in our application system [Prisma](#) and input your personal and CV data. You do not need to input any publications in your account – they should be appended in a PDF file when you fill in the application.

Prisma is the joint application system for the Swedish Research Council, Formas and Forte, which means that you can manage applications to all three research councils via a single account.

You only need to input the data once, and can thereafter supplement or change them as required. The persons assessing applications do not have access to the information in your account – when you fill in an application, you yourself upload the data needed for the grant you are applying for. As many of the persons reading and assessing

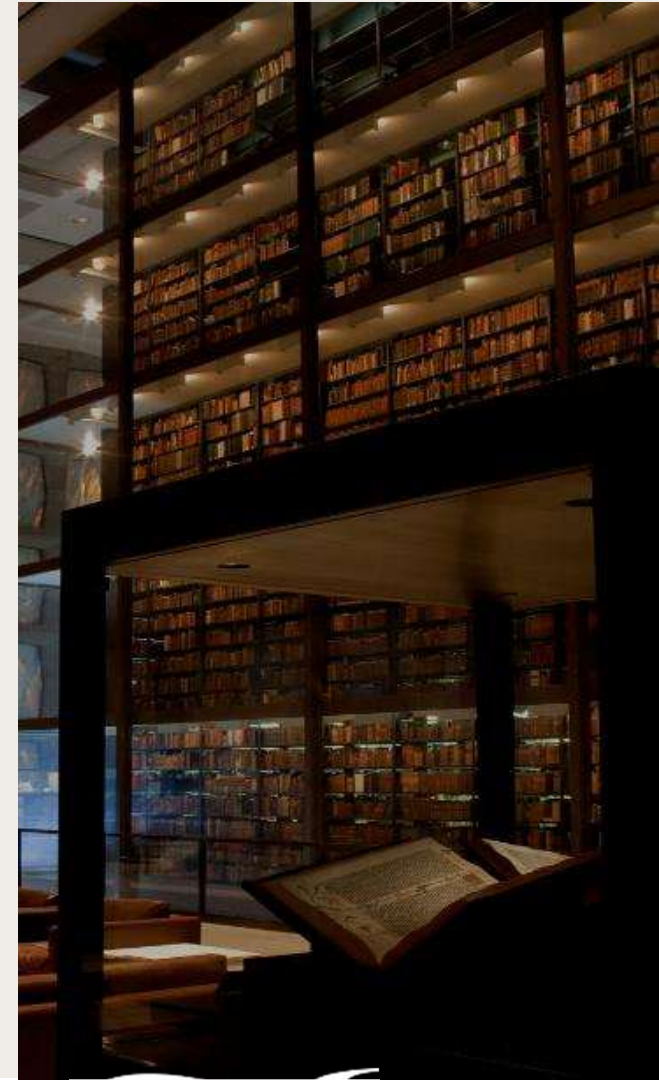


Advices

4. Carefully consider costs and time abroad and raise questions with your employer

“The Swedish Research Council assumes that the administrating organisation, as the employer responsible, will cover any costs in excess of the standard amount.”

5. If you receive a grant you need to be hired by the administrating organisation in Sweden





Contact information

- vrpostdok@vr.se
- telephone 08-546 44 054 (open during calls)
- Chat from call text web page (last week of call)





Time for questions!

- Special/private circumstance
- One question at a time

