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Vice-Chancellor

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Joint support for the University's participation in the EU framework programme for research and innovation Horizon Europe.

Background

Since 2003, Lund University has set aside joint funds to support and stimulate the University's researchers to coordinate collaboration projects within the EU framework programme for research and innovation. These funds have been allocated to researchers at the University in the form of grants for project planning and coordination. Awarded grants for coordination are paid out annually during the project period, usually for 3 to 5 years. Funding has also been allocated for special training initiatives aiming to increase the number and quality of applications as well as professional development in the management of EU projects within the EU framework programme for research and innovation. Since 2016, joint funds have also been set aside for particular application support for grant applications within the European Research Council, ERC. Guidelines for the joint funds are developed by the Research Services office within the Research, External Engagement and Innovation Division.

The previous framework programme, Horizon 2020, ran between 2014 and 2020. A new framework programme for research and innovation, Horizon Europe, has started for the period from 2021 to 2027. To support and stimulate the University's researchers to participate in the EU framework programme, the University proposes to continue offering opportunities to apply for joint support for the Horizon Europe framework programme.

Decision

The University decides to continue to support and stimulate researchers at Lund University who participate in the EU framework programme for research and innovation, Horizon Europe. Activities within the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT) and European Innovation Ecosystems (EIE) are not covered by the decision. The joint support covers the following four forms:

Planning grant: can be applied for by researchers who are coordinating work on an application within Horizon Europe with at least three participating organisations and with the intention of then coordinating the project. The grant is a one-off amount up to SEK 75 000.

The grants are prepared by Research Services and decided by the head of division for Research, External Engagement and Innovation.

Coordination grant: can be applied for by researchers who are coordinators for a project within Horizon Europe with at least three participating organisations. The grant is paid out annually during the project's contract period. The grant is a maximum of SEK 200 000 per year.

The grants are prepared by Research Services and decided by the head of division for Research, External Engagement and Innovation.

Grants for special training initiatives: aimed at researchers and administrators at Lund University to promote the development of qualified project applications and project management, and to increase motivation for participation in Horizon Europe. The grant is SEK 200 000 per year.

The grant is managed by Research Services and decided by the head of division for Research Services.

Application support for ERC grants: special information sessions, *training camps* and workshops for researchers who are to write applications for ERC grants.

The grant is SEK 400 000 per year.

The grant is managed by Research Services and decided by the head of division for Research Services.

Furthermore, the University decides to propose to the University Board to continue setting aside research funding for joint grants in support of the University's participation in the EU framework programme Horizon Europe for a total of SEK 4 400 000 per year, of which SEK 4 000 000 for planning, coordination and training grants and SEK 400 000 for application support for ERC grants.

The decision on this matter was taken by the undersigned vice-chancellor in the presence of the university director Susanne Kristensson after consultation with the Lund University Students' Unions and a presentation by research funding advisor Karin Langborger, Research, External Engagement and Innovation Division.

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