Swedish Foundation for Strategic Research (SSF)

Research that shapes our future

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SSF’s Statutes

Support research within natural science, engineering and medicine.

Promote strong research environments of the highest international standard

Be of significance for the development of Sweden’s long-term competitiveness.
SSF:s core

• Relevance and expected societal impact
• Scientific quality
  • Interdisciplinarity
  • Internationalization
  • Mobility between sectors
  • Leadership
Modes of Support

• Research Environments
  (ex: IRC, PhD schools, Infrastructure)

• Groups
  (ex: Framework Programs)

• Individuals
  (ex: FFL, ID, FID, SM, RIF)
Evaluation Process (ex Framework Program)

- Evaluation Committee (EC) ~10 persons (gender, region, sector, etc)
- EC meeting 1 (1 primary, 2 secondary evaluators)
  - Scientific quality
  - Strategic relevance (clinical relevance)
  - Cannot compete in the final stage (or incomplete application)
- International Peer Review (3 evaluators per application)
- EC meeting 2 – suggestion to the board
- Final Evaluation – statements to all applicants
Selection process FFL

Open call

~200

IT+AM panel
LS+BE panel
MS panel

60 to int review

Evaluation committee (~12 pers.)

SSF Board

20

Evaluation committee & Hearing committee

30

Hearing committee leadership (4 pers.)
Disbursements per research area (MSEK)
Disbursements per grant type (MSEK)
Disbursements per organization (MSEK)
Open calls

• **ARC** - Agenda 2030 Research Centers on Future Advanced Technology for Sustainability
  - Small centers, 50 MSEK to one application each in four areas, **January 20**

• **CHI** - Computing and Hardware for ICT Infrastructures, **March 3**
  - Framework grants, 20 -35 MSEK for five years, 200 MSEK allocated

• **Postdoctoral fellowships in Japan** – **January 20**
  - One to two-year stay, SSF nominates maximum two candidates to JSPS

• **Sweden-Taiwan Collaborative Research Framework Projects** – **December 3**
  - One to three projects, 30 MSEK allocated