

Process towards Application Deadlines for Research Council of Norway March 2025 and other applications including open-ended FRIPRO applications.

The vice-deans of research, the economy department and AFII have agreed on the following timeline for the application processes towards the upcoming Research Council deadlines.

The Research Council's announcements with [deadline 5 March 2025](#)

- [Researcher Project for Scientific Renewal \(Thematic Priority Call\)](#)
- [Researcher Project for Early Career Scientists \(Thematic Priority Call\)](#)
- [Collaborative Project to Meet Societal and Industry-related Challenges](#)
- [Knowledge-building Project for Industry](#)
- [Large interdisciplinary Research Project](#)

The information and timeline below are also valid for open-ended FRIPRO applications (and any other research applications)

- [Three-year Researcher Project with International Mobility \(FRIPRO\)](#)
- [Researcher Project for Early Career Scientists \(FRIPRO\)](#)
- [Researcher Project for Experienced Scientists \(FRIPRO\)](#)

When HVL is the project Coordinator/Owner:

- Submit your plans for application in [Prosjektplassen](#) as early as possible and no later than three weeks before submission. **12. February** for the submission with deadline 5. March.
- After registration, you will be contacted and followed up by a research advisor and a project economist. The research advisor will follow the entire application process whilst the economist will assist in developing the budget details.
- Academic interest should be documented and approved by the head of department as early as possible in Prosjektplassen.
- The completed budget must be sent for approval to the head of Department and the vice-dean of research and no later than two weeks before submission.

When HVL is a partner:

- The application plan must be submitted to Prosjektplassen as early as possible and no later than two weeks before the deadline.
- The budget must be sent for approval to the head of department and vice-dean no later than six days before the deadline (27 February).

- Academic interest and the HVL budget must be approved before the final budget is sent to the coordinating partner.

Applicants that want **full follow-up** by a research advisor must submit their application plans in Prosjektplassen at the latest on the **15. January**. It is always possible to change the plan after discussion with AFII. By full follow-up the following applies:

AFII Research Advisors will offer up to 3 planning meetings, with the following focus:

- Discussion of the application idea against the expectations in the call text (thematic, financial, types of partners that can/must be included, etc.)
- Review of a relatively complete draft of the project description with a focus on connections between the "state of the art" description, issues, method, planned effects ("impact") and plan for implementation.
- Review of a close to finished version of the project description.

Desember 2024 – 5. March 2025.

Timeline	Event	Responsible Party
Always	HVLs internal seminars are available at Vestibyen . Look at the heading: Where can I find tips and inspiration?	AFII
Available online	Webinar about the call for research projects: Research on sustainability of the welfare society (forsking om berekrafta til velferdssamfunnet)	RCN
12. Desember 13.00–14.00	Q & A: Research on sustainability of the welfare society (forsking om berekrafta til velferdssamfunnet)	RCN
13. January 14.00- 15.00	Webinar about thematic calls where humanities is specifically asked for. Read more here.	RCN
15.-19. January	Meetings with vice deans - exchange of information about application plans / need for clearances	Karin Wibrand, AFII Elise Aabel Eriksen, Division of Finance
20. January 09.00- 10.30	The Research Council of Norway open-ended calls and calls with deadlines in March 2025. HVL procedures and support	Rigmor Fardal, RCN Karin Wibrand, AFII
22. January	Online application system opens.	RCN
29. January 13.00–14.00	Q&A webinar for all 5. March calls.	RCN
20. January 11.00-12.00	Application seminar Health calls	RCN

For applications until the deadline of 5. March applies:

15. January	Registration deadline for researchers who want full follow-up in the application process	Applicant
12. February	Final deadline for registration of projects with RCN deadlines 05. March	Applicant
16. February	The documentation of academic interest must be completed and sent to the head of department for approval	Applicant
21. February	The budget must be completed and sent to the head of department and the vice dean for approval	Applicant Project Economist
28. February	The head of department and the vice dean have approved the budgets	Head of Department and Vice Dean
03. March	Project economists have entered the budget data in the e-form	Project Economist
05. March	Applications submitted	Applicant

For all applications of external research funding

Coordinator applications: 3 weeks before the deadline/submission	Final deadline for registration of projects in Prosjektplassen	Applicant
Partner applications: 2 weeks before the deadline/submission	Final deadline for registration of projects in Prosjektplassen	Applicant
As soon as possible	The documentation of academic interest and budget must be completed and sent to the head of department and the vice dean for approval	Applicant Project Economists
1 week before the deadline	The head of department and the vice dean have approved the budgets	Head of Department and Vice Dean
2 days before the deadline/submission	Project economists have entered the budget data in the e-form	Project Economists
Date of deadline/submission	Applications submitted	Applicant

Please follow [this page](#) for announcements of future application webinars from RCN.

The Process:

Registration of Project

The researchers register their interest for an application by submitting it to Prosjektplassen. The application plan is to be approved by the head of department and vice-dean for research in Prosjektplassen. This requirement is based on the National Audit Office's order for such an assessment. This must be done as soon as possible. Applications that are not registered in prosjektplassen cannot be submitted.

Evaluation of Project Idea

Applicants who are uncertain if their project idea and timeline is realistic and in accordance with the announced call for proposals can register their project at the same webpage as stated above. Then, one of the research advisors will reach out to you for a conversation.

Multiple Project Ideas

Some researchers have many project plans. We encourage applicants to choose only one project and cater to delivering upon it the best possible quality. At a certain point in time, it might prove difficult to prioritize among disparate ideas, and we offer consultations with our research advisors for assorting and adjudicating these ideas. If many registrations do occur from the same researcher, then these would be discussed in a meeting between the head of department and/or the Vice-Dean, "Head of external funding" and the research advisors.

The Faculty practice of freedom from duties upon receipt of external financing

Please see in the [handbook](#) for leaders.

HVL as a partner in applications

The processes around the development of projects should, ideally, be the same when we are partners in projects as when we are project owners. In practice, it is not always possible, since for various reasons researchers are invited late into projects and it is often desirable to say yes to participation. Project economists must budget HVL's share in these projects as well, and participation must be approved by the head of department and vice-dean for research. When the economic dividend for HVL is small, it should be assessed thoroughly if the faculty benefits are substantial enough to justify participation.

Yours,

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