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# Marcus and Amalia Wallenbergs Foundation (MAW)

### **Guidelines for project grants and special grants aimed at sustainable society 2022**

Call opens March 1, 2022

Deadline for applications April 1, 2022

#### **MAW mainly supports research projects in the humanities and learning.**

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The grant must not merely constitute auxiliary funding for current operations or other projects in progress. Projects normally have a budget of between SEK 1 million and SEK 5 million. Projects can have a duration of three to five years.

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#### **Funding for research projects within sustainable society (new!)**

The Foundation will fund applications in the borderland between ecology, economics and other social sciences with the aim of expanding the understanding of the interaction between ecology, climate, social and economic development in relation to a long-term sustainable society.

#### **Who can apply?**

An application can be made by individual researchers or research groups connected to a Swedish institution of higher education or other scientific research institutions. An application can also be submitted by the management of a Swedish institution of higher education or other scientific research institutions.

Applications from individuals without a long-term connection to a Swedish academic institution are not considered.

#### **Application period**

The application period begins March 1, 2022. Last day of application is April 1, 2022.

#### **Guidelines**

- The Foundation mainly supports research in the humanities and learning
- Priority projects include new research areas and research of a cross-border nature, preferably with a focus on IT and digital media
- The Foundation supports investigator-initiated projects of the highest international standard



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- Projects should be focused on a coherent research question
- The application must have undergone internal prioritization and be prioritized by the vice-chancellor (or the person designated by the vice-chancellor to represent him or her) or equivalent
- The grant must not merely constitute auxiliary funding for current operations or other projects in progress
- PIs must have a long-term association with a Swedish institution of higher education, and spend at least 70 % of their position and working time in Sweden. Co-investigators must spend at least 50 % of their position and working time in Sweden
- An individual researcher is only allowed to participate in two ongoing projects, and act as a PI on one of these
- Projects normally have a budget of between SEK 1 million and SEK 5 million with a duration of three to five years
- Grants for equipment necessary to the project are approved through financing of depreciation costs
- A project can only be subject for reviewing at two separate application periods

Grants for equipment are normally awarded as part of a project in which the cost of the equipment is directly related to the scientific operations of the project. Equipment is financed through depreciation, which must be calculated linearly across its entire economic/scientific life, not merely across the project period sought. Procurement must take place no later than 2 years after the project starts, and depreciation can thereby commence and be sought for 2 years longer than other costs.

### **Application**

In the e-application the compulsory data and appendices are stated. It is important that the application is extensive and complete for a correct handling of the application. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

In the application the following must be stated/attached:

- The vice-chancellor's or equivalent's certification
- CVs of the PI and the co-investigators
- A list of ten selected publications per applicant
- A comprehensive project description in English, must not exceed 10 pages, 12 p font
- A scientific summary in English, max 2 000 characters incl. space
- A popular summary in Swedish, max 3 500 characters incl. space
- A project budget, using the Foundation's template
- If the project is co-funded by the applicant's own higher-education institution and other financiers
- If funding has been applied for, will be applied for, or has been received for the same purposes from another organization
- Applicants for research projects within sustainable society shall, in addition to the above, submit an additional appendix (max. 1 A4), specifying the expected significance of the proposed research



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### **Decision**

The decisions of the MAW Board of Directors will be sent to the applicants by letter and information about approved grants will be posted on the Foundation's web site when the board minutes have been approved.

### **Publishing**

Research funded by the Marcus and Amalia Wallenberg Foundation must be published with open access, i.e. published articles must be archived in open searchable databases. Extra costs for open access may be included as a direct cost in the application.

### **More information**

Keep yourself updated at MAW website: [maw.wallenberg.org](http://maw.wallenberg.org)