



Development Research at the Swedish Research Council



Development research at the Swedish Research Council ...

- Funded by the government's development aid funds
- Research of particular relevance to the fight against poverty and for sustainable development in low income countries (and lower middle income countries)
- All disciplines and subject areas (welcomes interdisciplinary projects)



Knowledge, solutions and support for knowledge based development

Development research contributes e.g.

- to identify and explain living conditions and conditions for sustainable development;
- to solutions and to identify and quantify their impacts; and
- to generate support for a knowledge based development.





Development research transferred from Sida to the Swedish Research Council in 2013

Purpose:

- Integrate development research into the broader research funding landscape
- Harmonise calls and project review (processes, support, quality assurance and application system)
- Broaden the area of Swedish development research and attract new scientists to the area



Strategy for research and research collaboration within development 2015 – 2021: *High quality research of relevance for sustainable development and the fight against poverty*

Sida

- Capacity development for research, mainly in low income countries and regions
- Focus on global, regional och national research of relevance for low income countries and regions
- Support to research which through innovation can contribute to sustainable development and the fight against poverty

The Swedish Research Council

- Highest quality research in Sweden of particular relevance for the fight against poverty sustainable development in low income countries
- Strengthened knowledge exchange and collaboration between researchers in Sweden and researchers in low income and lower middle income countries with a focus on research of high quality and relevance for the fight against poverty and sustainable development



Organisation of development research at the Swedish Research Council

- KUF – the Committee for Development Research:
 - Active researchers
 - Nine members appointed for three years
- Assessment panels with Swedish and international members



Financing of development research at the Swedish Research Council

- Funding from the Swedish development aid budget
- 185 MSEK/year





Three review panels

- Social science and humanities
- Natural, engineering and environmental science
- Global health





to presentation of calls



Calls within development research



Development research at Vetenskapsrådet

- All disciplines and research areas
- Relevance for fight against poverty and sustainable development
- Relevance for low-income countries
 - Project grant
 - Internationell postdoc grant
- Collaboration countries (required)
 - Network grant
 - Doctoral programmes
 - International postdoc (mobility)

DAC List of ODA Recipients
Effective for reporting on 2021 flows**

Least Developed Countries	Low Income Countries which are not LDCs (per capita GNI <= \$1 005 in 2016)	Lower Middle Income Countries and Territories which are not LDCs (per capita GNI \$1 006-\$3 955 in 2016)	Upper Middle Income Countries and Territories (per capita GNI > \$3 955 in 2016)
Afghanistan (L) Bangladesh (LM) Benin (LM) Bhutan ¹ (LM) Burkina Faso (L) Burundi (L) Cambodia (LM) Central African Republic (L) Chad (L) Comoros (LM) Democratic Republic of the Congo (L) Djibouti (LM) Eritrea (L) Ethiopia (L) Gambia (L) Guinea (L) Guinea-Bissau (L) Haiti (L) Kiribati (LM) Lao People's Democratic Republic (LM) Lesotho (LM) Liberia (L) Madagascar (L) Malawi (L) Mali (L) Mauritania (LM) Mozambique (L) Myanmar (LM) Nepal (LM) Niger (L) Rwanda (L) Sao Tome and Principe ¹ (LM) Senegal (LM) Sierra Leone (L) Solomon Islands ¹ (LM) Somalia (L) South Sudan (L)	Democratic People's Republic of Korea Zimbabwe (LM)	Angola Armenia (UM) Bolivia Cabo Verde Cameroon Congo Côte d'Ivoire Egypt El Salvador Eswatini Georgia (UM) Ghana Guatemala (UM) Honduras India Indonesia (UM) Jordan (UM) Kenya Kosovo (UM) Kyrgyzstan Micronesia Moldova Mongolia Morocco Nicaragua Nigeria Pakistan Papua New Guinea Philippines Sri Lanka Syrian Arab Republic (L) Tajikistan (L) Tokelau* Tunisia Ukraine Uzbekistan Vanuatu	Albania Algeria (L) Antigua and Barbuda Argentina Azerbaijan Belarus Belize Bosnia and Herzegovina Botswana Brazil China (Pe) Colombia Costa Rica Cuba Dominica Dominican Republic Ecuador Equatorial Guinea Fiji Gabon Grenada Guyana Iran Iraq Jamaica Kazakhstan Lebanon Libya Malaysia Maldives Marshall Islands Mauritius Mexico Montenegro Montserrat Namibia Nauru ³ (L)



Project grant

Applicant	Individual researcher
Participating researchers	Up to 6 other researchers may be invited to join the application.
Grant period	1–3 years
Grant amount	Minimum 400 000 SEK per year, maximum 1 500 000 SEK per year



Project grant

- The purpose is to reinforce Swedish research of the **highest quality** with particular relevance to the **fight against poverty** and for **sustainable development** in low income countries
- Applications from **all** disciplines and subject areas welcome
- Include description of relevance for poverty reduction and sustainable development in low-income country/ies
- Participating researcher from LIC/LMIC not a requirement, but **motivate if you do not have one**



Network grant – Swedish Research Links

Applicant	Individual researcher
Participating researchers	1 to 6 other researchers may be invited to join the application. At least 1 of these shall be invited as an international project leader .
Grant period	1–2 years
Grant amount	Maximum 400 000 SEK per year



Network grant – Swedish Research Links

- The purpose of the network grant is to **establish a network** around a specific research idea, aimed at a **joint research project and joint applications** for funding.
- The grant shall support the development of **long-term joint research** between Swedish researchers and researchers from low income countries and/or lower middle income countries.
- Network grants are in the first instance intended for **new collaborations**. However, existing networks may apply if they build on new research ideas.



International postdoc

Applicant	Individual researcher. You must have been awarded a doctoral degree before the grant period begins , not at the time of application.
Participating researchers	No participating researchers
Grant period	18–36 months
Grant amount	1 150 000 SEK per year, a further total of 50 000 SEK may be applied for accompanying family members.
Mobility	At least two thirds of the grant period is spent abroad incl at least one third of the grant period in a low income or lower middle income country



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.
- to reinforce Swedish research of the highest quality with particular relevance to the fight against poverty and for sustainable development in low income countries.



Doctoral programmes within development research

Applicant	Organisation (Swedish higher education institution (HEI)). A coordinator of the graduate school at the host organisation shall be invited to be the project leader for the application.
Participating researchers	At least 2 further Swedish HEIs , and at least 1 HEI in a low income or lower middle income country .
Grant period	3-4 years
Grant amount	Maximum 2 million SEK per year for 3–4 years <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Coordinator salary up to 30%• Administrator salary up to 40%• No salary for doctoral students
Budgetary framework	6 million SEK per year for 4 years (3 grants)



Doctoral programmes within development research

Graduate schools within development research shall:

- use the sustainable development goals of Agenda 2030 as the starting point
- be cross-sectoral/multi-sectoral and broad, and stimulate learning and collaboration between different disciplines

Shall primarily be a complement to existing doctoral education, e.g. through elective courses, seminars and other activities that involve doctoral students and their supervisors.



Final tips

- Read the call texts and Guide for applicants carefully
- Make sure to invite participating researchers well ahead of deadline
- Don't wait until the last minute before entering information into Prisma
- Use the 'Check and register' section to see what information is missing from the application