



## Research Fund of the University of Basel

### Funding Application for **Strategic Research Projects** – Information Sheet

The research fund supports the preparation of a major project proposal (e.g. ERC or NCCR) and promotes the realization of interdisciplinary project ideas. Members of group I and II are eligible to apply.

#### **Proceeding**

- Login to Grants Tool ([www.grants.unibas.ch](http://www.grants.unibas.ch)) and register your project application including salaries at «Forschungsfonds – Strategic Projects» **by 15 January / 15 August at the latest**. If you have no access to the Grants Tool, please contact [Sigrid.Ayadi@unibas.ch](mailto:Sigrid.Ayadi@unibas.ch).
- As soon as the relevant department has confirmed within the Grants Tool that the necessary infrastructure is available, you will receive a link to an application form by email.
- Please fill in the application form completely, sign the form and use it as cover sheet for your application documents (see below).
- Submit your complete application documents (as one consolidated PDF file) **by 1 February / 1 September at the latest** to: [forschungsfonds@unibas.ch](mailto:forschungsfonds@unibas.ch) (copy to: [Sigrid.Ayadi@unibas.ch](mailto:Sigrid.Ayadi@unibas.ch)).

#### **Submission of application documents (PDF A4 in one document)**

1. **Signed application form as cover sheet**
2. **Justification of application** (reason for application to the research fund, max. ½ page)
3. **Scientific details**
  - a) Summary (max. ½ page)
  - b) Project description 2-3 pages, structured according to the following issues:
    - *Description of research area (state of art of research in this area)*
    - *Research questions, research methods, research goals*
    - *Research plan (including timelines, possible co-workers and co-operation partners)*
    - *Available resources (equipment, space, if personnel: finances)*
    - *Significance of the project*
    - *Interdisciplinary approach*
    - *Connection to the strategy of the University of Basel*
4. **Financial requirement**
  - a) Personnel costs according to calculations in Grants Tool ([www.grants.unibas.ch](http://www.grants.unibas.ch))
  - b) Project-relevant costs (consumables, excursion expenses, travel costs, proof reading)
  - c) In case of other funding: copies of funding decisions (please refer to other funding sources in your justification of the application)
5. **Curriculum Vitae with publication list**
6. **Supplements**
  - a) In case of application for financing of a doctoral student, proof, that the continuing financing of the dissertation is secured or that it can be completed within the financed period.
  - b) Necessary approvals to conduct the research project (Ethic Committee, Swiss Expert Committee for Biosafety, permission to conduct animal experiments, etc.)

#### **Funding Decision**

The Research Committee of the University of Basel evaluates the applications to the Research Fund and submits a recommendation to the Rectorate, which makes a final decision. The funding decisions are communicated in April and November respectively.