



Research Fund of the University of Basel

Funding Application for **Strategic Research Projects** - Information Sheet

The research fund provides seed money for the preparation of a major project application (NCCR, ERC, H2020 coordination) or the realization of an interdisciplinary project idea (e.g. Sinergia application). Professors or group leaders are eligible for funding.

Proceeding

- Login to Grants Tool (www.grants.unibas.ch) and register your project application including salaries at „Forschungsfonds – Strategic Project“ **by 15 January / 15 August at the latest**. Should you have no access to the Grants Tool, please contact 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 (copy to: 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 - max. 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*
 - *Relation to the strategy of the University of Basel*
4. **Financial requirement**
 - a) Personnel costs according to calculations in Grants Tool (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.)

Procedure

The research commission evaluates the applications in a two-stage procedure on a sur dossier basis. Projects that reach the second stage will be presented personally to the commission.