FWF regulations on research collaborations with Russia

In response to the Russian Federation's war of aggression against Ukraine, the Austrian Science Fund (FWF) is implementing the following measures as part of its project funding until further notice:

Applying for funding

Applications involving planned collaborations with researchers at Russian research institutions are currently not eligible for submission.

Applications may be submitted as part of internationally coordinated research networks or research activities at major international research institutions with the participation of Russian organizations, as long as the research activities do not involve direct cooperation with researchers at Russian research institutions. The regulations of the respective major international research institution apply.

It is still possible to apply to the FWF for funding (including applying for a grant-salaried position for the principal investigator, if applicable) regardless of the applicant’s citizenship. This means that researchers with Russian citizenship who work or wish to work at an Austrian research institution can still apply to the FWF.

Project implementation

Collaborations with researchers at Russian research institutions as part of FWF-funded projects is not permitted.

For research projects with cooperation partners in Russia that were approved before these FWF regulations came into force, please note that all applicable regulations concerning European and national sanctions against Russian institutions and individuals as well as regarding technical and scientific support in general apply. The implementation of FWF projects is subject to the relevant regulations of the individual Austrian research institutions; please contact the office responsible for international collaborations at the individual research institution before carrying out any collaborative activities.