Supplementary information on the submission of research proposals to be funded by the

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1 Eligible projects

Funding is available for projects with clearly defined objectives and methods as well as clearly specified limits in terms of duration and budget. The requirements are analogous to those applicable to the FWF’s Stand-Alone Projects programme or to the Clinical Research programme. Projects should aim to influence the human ageing process (prevention of senescence, prolongation of life in good health). This call is intended for projects in the field of biochemical/medical cell research that address the following topics:

- Research on and ageing as well as the search for new means of influencing these processes;
- Research on cell diseases and malignancies.

2 How to submit an application

In this call, applicants are to submit proposals based on the guidelines and forms provided for the Stand-Alone Projects programme or for the KLIF programme by 17th April 2023 at the latest. (Note: For proposals submitted in the funding programme Clinical Research, an approval from the relevant ethics commission or evidence of a fundamental approval/endorsement by that commission is required at least by September 1st);

Applications may only be submitted online using the FWF’s electronic application portal (elane). Please note that P and PEEK proposals are submitted “ad personam”. When creating an application, applicants must first select the appropriate funding category (P, KLI) and then select “Herzfelder-Stiftung” from the drop-down menu.

In addition, a programme-specific form must be filled out in elane. On the basis of this programme-specific form, the FWF will decide whether the submitted stand-alone project or KLIF project actually meets the thematic requirements of the current call. If this is not the case, the applicant agrees that the application shall be processed and decided upon as a stand-alone project or a KLIF project according to the standard procedure.

Once the application has been received, applicants may only make changes or provide supplementary information if requested to do so by the FWF; any such changes or supplementary information must be submitted within a defined period of time of receiving notification from the FWF.

Applications which are submitted after the deadline will be handled according to the usual procedures followed in the Stand-Alone Projects or KLIF programme.

3 Maximum funding amount

Depending on the individual project project-specific costs (personnel and non-personnel costs) may be requested. The number of reviews required depends on the level of funding requested.
4 Decision-making procedure

Decisions on grant awards will be made by the foundation’s management on the basis of the FWF’s recommendations within four weeks of the respective FWF Board meeting in November 2022.

The Herzfelder'sche Familienstiftung will make a total of about €730,000.00 available for the call.

Where the resources required for an excellent project to be funded by the Herzfelder'sche Familienstiftung exceed the funding amount provided by the foundation, the FWF will fund the difference from its own budget.

Grant proposals which receive outstanding reviews but cannot be funded by the foundation will undergo the FWF’s usual procedures; in such cases, however, the special arrangement regarding additional general project costs will no longer apply.

5 Programme-specific information

In stand-alone projects or KLIF projects funded by the foundation, general project costs will automatically be increased to 10%.

Applications submitted under this call in the Stand-Alone Projects programme are not subject to the limit on the number of ongoing projects ("3 projects regulation", PDF, 79 KB).