

Restriction on the number of ongoing projects and the submission of funding applications effective from 1 August 2018

1) Rule on concurrent projects as principal investigator and maximum number of projects:

a) Stand-Alone Projects (P), International Programmes (I), Clinical Research (KLIF) and Arts-Based Research (PEEK):

Researchers can serve as the principal investigator in a maximum of three concurrent projects from the abovementioned programmes.

b) Women's and Mobility programmes and START programme:

Principal investigators in Women's and Mobility programmes (Erwin Schrödinger, Lise Meitner, Hertha Firnberg, Elise Richter and Elise Richter PEEK programmes) as well as in the START programme in the first funding period (1.-3. year) can lead one additional project in the P, KLIF, I or PEEK programmes. In the second funding period (4.-6. year) of the START programme – after successful interim evaluation – principle investigators can lead two additional projects in the P, KLIF, I or PEEK programmes.

c) Researchers can serve as the principal investigator in other programmes not mentioned here. They are subject to the conditions specified in the application guidelines of the respective programme.

2) Limit on submission of applications:

a) The rule on the maximum number of ongoing projects in the programmes mentioned in 1a) (P, I, KLIF, PEEK) leads to limits on the submission of new applications.

The number of possible new applications depends on the number of currently ongoing/approved projects in the abovementioned programmes, including outline proposals for International Projects (IK). A maximum of three ongoing/approved projects and new applications is permitted.

For example, if an applicant has two currently ongoing/approved projects in the abovementioned programmes, only one new application, including outline proposals for International Projects (IK), may be submitted.

If a researcher has three ongoing/approved projects in the abovementioned programmes, a new application for the abovementioned programmes, including outline proposals for International Projects (IK), may be submitted no earlier than 12 months before the end of one of the ongoing projects.

b) Co-applications¹ in the Lise Meitner and Hertha Firnberg programmes:

Co-applications are limited to a maximum of two ongoing/approved projects (either one Firnberg and one Meitner project or two Meitner projects) (see also the information in the guidelines of these two programmes).

Note: Any additional requirements of the programmes that need to be observed are specified in the application guidelines of the respective programme.

For further information, please do not hesitate to contact the FWF Team.

¹ National research partners are not affected by this limit.