

## Research on ageing and health 2017

In order to strengthen research in areas with significant societal challenges and research needs we are now announcing project funding in the research area Ageing and health.

Applications to Forte for research project on ageing and health are made in a one-step process. The applications should be written in English as they will be assessed by international experts.

Only **one** research application is permitted per project leader. It is possible to apply for funding within this call even if you have applied with the same or similar application in this year's open call for proposals for project grants.

**The deadline for applications is the 18<sup>th</sup> of May 2017 at 17:00 CET.**

### Focus area

The proportion of older people in Sweden is increasing. This development is leading to significant challenges for both health care and aged services, as more people live longer with illness and disability. Therefore, research on initiatives that support active and healthy ageing is important.

Forte has a special government commission to contribute to research on ageing and health, and according to the commission research should have a prevention, health promotion and interdisciplinary perspective. Research should be planned in collaboration with the relevant target groups, such as representatives of older women and men, their families, professionals and policy makers.

In this call for proposals, Forte invites applications for projects in the following areas:

- research that can contribute to the promotion of active and healthy ageing in older women and men. This area can include both healthy ageing and older people's active participation in society, such as in aged care and functional ability.
- research on how care for older adults should be designed, so that older adults in different phases of life and with varying care requirements can age while maintaining their independence and influence over their lives. This area may include new and effective interventions in aged care, housing types and welfare technology.
- research on the innovative use of new technology in older adult's lives and the development of new methods and e-health services.
- research on the prevention of mental health problems among older adults.
- research on care for older people with complex needs, such as in cognitive impairment or dementia.

The call intends to contribute to increased knowledge within Forte's areas of responsibility, health, working life and welfare, and aims to finance research within these fields.

## Eligibility

Eligible applicants must have defended their doctoral thesis by the deadline for submission of the application.

Applicants must have submitted the final report of all previously awarded grants no later than the 18<sup>th</sup> of May 2017 to qualify. Applicants who have outstanding final reports will not be taken into consideration. This applies only to earlier grants for which the deadline for the final report has passed. Consideration is given to extensions of disposal time and postponed deadlines for final reporting.

## Processing

The applications are assessed by a special review panel, to which international researchers and representatives of the public interest have been appointed.

Assessments of the full applications are based on:

- The scientific quality of the project (originality, theoretical framework and relationship to previous research within the area)
- The purpose, research questions, methods, study design and data material of the project
- The scientific significance of the expected results
- The research competence of the project leader and the research group
- The account of previous own research in this area, if applicable
- The costs of personnel and budget according to reasonableness
- The relevance of the project in relation to society's requirements and to Forte's areas of responsibility
- The project's gender- and diversity perspective
- The project's plans for knowledge dissemination activities within and outside the scientific community
- The project's plans for collaboration with organisations and representatives for relevant sectors, authorities, users or other actors

## Budget Framework

Within this call, it is possible to apply for a sum between 0.5 and 2 MSEK per year, for a maximum duration of three years.

## Guidelines for applications to Forte where parts of the research will be undertaken abroad

1. Forte welcomes international research cooperation. Forte's areas of responsibility include complex societal challenges and international research cooperation can contribute significantly to delivering solutions and opening up new perspectives.
2. Forte's research grants may be used to fund projects where part of the research is carried out outside of Sweden. However, the research abroad has either to be initiated and led from Sweden or be a clearly distinguished part of a collaborative project.
3. Applications including international cooperation are assessed using the same criteria as other applications in our scientific panels.
4. When reviewing research applications which include research carried out abroad, the evaluators in Forte's evaluation panels are asked to assess if the international part of the project brings added value to the project or constitutes a prerequisite in a global project or in a comparative study.
5. It is the responsibility of the main applicant to obtain information from her or his Administrative organisation regarding their policy on research funding abroad, and to find suitable forms for international collaboration in each specific case.
6. The Swedish administrative organisation, i.e. the home institution of the Swedish main applicant, is responsible for, and decides on, any employment of staff located abroad and/or payment for work carried out abroad.

## Transfer of project information to SweCRIS

Information regarding research projects supported by Forte is transferred to the Swedish Research Council for publication in SweCRIS, a national database commissioned by the Swedish government containing information on grant-funded research. [Go to the SweCRIS website](#)

## Apply for grant in Prisma

All applications are submitted in the application and evaluation system Prisma.

Conditions to be able to submit your application:

- You need a personal account in Prisma
- All participating researchers in an application must have a personal account in Prisma
- All CV and publication details for applicants and participating researchers are stored on the respective researcher's personal account
- Your university or higher educational institution must have an organisational account in Prisma

Please ensure that the above conditions are in place in good time before the application deadline.

## Time plan

**18<sup>th</sup> of May at 17:00 CET** – Deadline for submitting a full junior research grant application

**September/October** – Decisions on which applications that will be approved will be taken by the Forte board