

# WASP-WISE NEST Calls 2024 Q&A:

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## **Is it possible to apply for both NEST and Pilot calls as a main PI?**

Yes, it is possible to apply for both NEST and Pilot calls as a main PI, but you can only serve as the main PI for one project within the same call.

## **Is there a Match-making function available?**

No, there isn't a match-making function available. Please visit the WASP and WISE websites for more information about researchers that are active in the programs.

## **Is it required to spend the money evenly over the funding period or can there be different burn rates?**

No, it is not required. Please make sure to follow the instructions in the call text.

## **What parts of the application are the most important?**

Please see the "Aim and Scope" and the "Evaluation criteria" in the call text.

## **The online submission system has a section "Project abstract" and there is a one page "Project summary" which is supposed to be a part of the uploaded pdf document. Are these the same texts, i.e. can one copy the abstract from the project summary?**

Yes, the "Project Abstract" and the "Project Summary" can be the same.

## **What do you have in mind regarding the letter of support from the Head of Department? Commitment letter from hosting university, should be signed by the Head of the Department.**

A template for "Letter of support" can be found on the WASP-WISE NEST-call page, <https://wasp-sweden.org/calls/call-for-wasp-wise-nest-2024/>

## **The format of the CV: it is unclear to us whether it should be 2 pages including 10 publications or 2 pages plus a third page with 10 publications.**

Two pages of CVs and a third page of publications.

## **Should two budgets be submitted, i.e. one for WISE and one for WASP? Or should they be combined into a budget where we can use an average of the various approved OH/premises/LKP? One budget per program must be made. Since funds will be requisitioned from the two programs separately, each program's funding rules (LKP/OH/premises) must be used in the respective budget.**

## **My researcher is planning to hire a doctoral student. The instructions state that the doctoral student's travel expenses and material costs may be a maximum of SEK 50 thousand/year. What about my researcher's travel and material costs? Are we allowed to bring up "extra costs" for this in addition to these 50 thousand SEK?**

Yes, all costs that are justified by the project content and implementation can be included.

**When my researcher is going to send in the application, it is only possible to attach a PDF it seems. Should the budgets (budget?) be converted to PDF or do you want them(the?) in excel format.**

Yes, one PDF file per application must be submitted. Thus, a summary of the budget needs to be included in that pdf file. We would like you to make a compilation of the two program's budgets, which shows which universities are applying for which funds and how the funding is distributed across the programs.

**A researcher in our project will be funded by both WASP and WISE. How will this be addressed in the budget?**

One budget per program must be made. The researcher's costs (salary plus other direct costs) are to be divided between two programs, where indirect costs are calculated according to each program's funding rules.

**The PhD student hired to the project will have costs for laboratory and materials. Shall we add this to the budget as operational costs (“drift”) in addition to the ”PhD student package”?**

The requirement to budget for a "PhD student package" is to ensure that the doctoral student receives the same conditions as all other doctoral students funded by WISE or WASP. If there are additional costs required to carry out the project, it can be included in the budget as operational costs. As the call text states, there is a flexibility in terms of what can be funded, but all costs must be motivated for the implementation of the project.