

WASP Repatriation Support

Following postdoctoral studies funded through the WASP International Postdoctoral Scholarship, scholarship recipients who have not secured a position upon completion of their postdoctoral appointment may apply for WASP Repatriation Support. The support provides funding for a research position at a WASP partner university or a WASP affiliated group of excellence for up to two years. To be eligible, the repatriation support period must commence no later than six months after the completion of the postdoctoral period abroad.

Recipients of repatriation support are expected to actively seek employment or external funding during the support period. The support will cease if the recipient accepts another position.

To apply for WASP Repatriation Support, please follow the steps below:

1. Preparations at the Host University

Identify a contact person (host) at one of WASP's partner universities or affiliated groups of excellence and agree on the terms of employment, including salary, which must be reasonable and consistent with the university's established salary framework.

Please note:

- WASP only approves certain forms of employment: Postdoctoral researcher, Researcher (forskare) or "forskarassistent".
- Funding period: up to two years.
- WASP covers:
 - Salary costs plus social security contributions (LKP), up to a maximum of 52.5%.
 - In addition to actual direct costs, a contribution is provided for premises and indirect costs:
 - 5% premises costs, calculated on KAW-approved direct costs
 - 20% indirect costs, calculated on KAW-approved direct costs
- It is the applicant's responsibility to apply for positions during the repatriation period. If the applicant is offered and accepts a new position, the WASP Repatriation Support will terminate.

2. Certificate of Repatriation

Upon request, WASP may issue a Certificate of Repatriation if required by the host university. Contact the WASP Program Office at info@wasp-sweden.org.

3. Application

The application must include:

- a) Project description (maximum one A4 page): current position, time plan, and description of the research to be conducted during the repatriation period. Note that the repatriation support period must commence no later than six months after the completion of the postdoctoral period abroad.
- b) University certificate confirming the agreement, including type of employment, salary level, and other relevant terms.

4. Submission of Application

Send the complete application to info@wasp-sweden.org.

5. Decision Process

WASP reviews the application and decides whether to approve or decline the application. Once all required information has been received and the application is approved, WASP will send a confirmation email to both the applicant and the university contact person.

6. After Approval

Submit a copy of the signed employment contract to WASP, including the official starting date. WASP will then prepare and issue a WASP Decision Letter.

Funding is paid after requisition and is based on actual incurred costs. All requisitions must follow WASP's standard procedures.

Questions? If you have questions about the WASP Repatriation Support or the application process, you are welcome to contact the WASP Program Office at info@wasp-sweden.org.