

# Social and cultural perspectives on climate change and biodiversity

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## Which of Formas' subject areas does the call relate to?

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Climate change    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Environment, water and ecology |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Food and animals             | <input type="checkbox"/> Forestry, water use and agriculture       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Buildings and infrastructure | <input type="checkbox"/> Spatial planning, urban and rural areas   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Research policy and funding  |  |

## Which of the sustainable development goals does the call relate to?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 1. No poverty                              | <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Zero hunger                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3. Good health and well-being              | <input type="checkbox"/> 4. Quality education for all               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5. Gender equality                         | <input type="checkbox"/> 6. Clean water and sanitation              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 7. Affordable and clean energy             | <input type="checkbox"/> 8. Decent work and economic growth         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 9. Industry, innovation and infrastructure | <input type="checkbox"/> 10. Reduced inequalities                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 11. Sustainable cities and communities     | <input type="checkbox"/> 12. Responsible consumption and production |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 13. Climate action              | <input type="checkbox"/> 14. Life below water                       |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 15. Ecosystems and biodiversity | <input type="checkbox"/> 16. Peace, justice and strong institutions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 17. Partnerships for the goals             |   |

		
<p><b>WHAT CAN YOU APPLY FOR?</b></p>	<p><b>WHO CAN APPLY?</b></p>	<p><b>HOW MUCH CAN YOU APPLY FOR?</b></p>
<p>Research projects highlighting social and cultural perspectives on ongoing climate change and biodiversity loss.</p>	<p>Researchers affiliated with a Swedish higher education institution, research institute, or government agency with a research mandate.</p>	<p>Funding for research projects can be sought within two budget ranges: SEK 3-5 million or SEK 10-15 million.</p>

## Revision history

Any changes to the call text are listed below.

Date	Change

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## Description of the call

### Introduction

**The purpose of this call is to increase our understanding of the social and cultural dimensions of climate change and the loss of biodiversity and to contribute to identifying opportunities for a transition to greater sustainability.**

We are facing a twin environmental crisis: continuing climate change and an ongoing depletion of biodiversity. These crises are closely interrelated and mutually reinforcing, and they affect the habitats of humans and other species, and entire ecosystems. Yet although the crises are interrelated, they do not necessarily require the same solutions. Some measures can be taken to fight both climate change and biodiversity loss, but efforts to solve one problem can also exacerbate the other. Both the crises themselves and measures to address them have different consequences for different groups of people and for entire communities in various parts of the world.

Themes that can be explored include how these simultaneous crises are interpreted and managed at different levels of society and in the world, and how different solutions are designed, accepted or opposed by different individuals, groups or organisations – by those directly affected by the crises in their daily lives or those who are farther removed from such immediate consequences.

This call is part of the National Research Programme on Climate. It is aimed at researchers at Swedish higher education institutions, research institutes and government agencies that have a research mandate.

### Background

We are at a moment in history where planetary boundaries are being pushed to their limit. The intergovernmental science platforms IPCC and IPBES have stated that beyond any doubt, both climate change and biodiversity depletion are driven by human activity. Moreover, these crises are closely linked. The importance of human activity on them has even given rise to a debate that we have entered a new geological era – the Anthropocene. Although climate change affects the prerequisites for all life on Earth and biodiversity loss can in turn accelerate climate change, the relationships between these crises are complex. Confronting both crises is urgent, and requires extensive transformations throughout society.

Although climate change and biodiversity loss are interrelated and affect each other – and mostly have the same underlying causes – they do not necessarily call for the same solutions. Some measures have the potential to both fight climate change and increase biodiversity, such as the rewetting of depleted peatlands. In other cases, efforts to solve one problem can exacerbate the other. To reduce greenhouse gas emissions, for example, fast-growing trees of a single species might be planted instead of encouraging species-rich natural forests in order to replace fossil fuels and create materials from forest products.

The crises themselves, as well as the measures implemented to counteract them, are experienced differently and have different impacts on various individuals, groups and communities worldwide. These impacts can depend on whether people are directly affected in their daily lives or are further removed from the consequences, geographically or temporally. Many effects of climate change and biodiversity loss will also impact future generations and are difficult to understand for those of us who are alive now.

As climate change and biodiversity depletion become increasingly apparent and affect more and more people, communities and ecosystems, we can also expect questions of responsibility and justice to come to a head. Questions about who is responsible for these crises and how we should best respond to them are complex and deeply political. The ongoing crises can be understood not only by making facts available, but through interpretations, which in turn depend on historical or lived experiences, values and positions in relation to power and influence. Moral rights and obligations are perceived differently, as well as which problems should be prioritised and which are less important.

There are numerous conflicts of goals and values in terms of how the twin crises can and should be dealt with, and in many cases it is not possible to find solutions that meet all needs and wishes. Firm, quick and controversial decisions, along with difficult priorities, may need to be made. This can lead to dissatisfaction and social tensions and pose major challenges for decision-makers. Instead of looking for universal solutions, goal and value conflicts need to be brought to light and managed in order to arrive at decisions that help address both crises, that do not conflict with other sustainability goals, and that are perceived as legitimate. Positive and negative consequences of decisions must be discussed both in terms of consequences for different locations and groups in society, and based on different time horizons.

## **Purpose and focus**

The research funded in this call is expected to increase our understanding of the social and cultural dimensions of climate change and biodiversity loss. The research should address these two integrated crises, how they are based on human activity, and how they are manifested in and managed by individuals, groups, organisations or communities. The research is expected to provide knowledge that in the long term can help to identify opportunities for society's transformation towards increased sustainability.

This can include questions about how people in different parts of the world interpret and understand climate change and biodiversity loss and how it has been managed historically and in everyday life, as well as how this is manifested and communicated through language, art, culture or religion. The research can also address how different people, groups and communities relate to measures for managing the two crises. It can address issues of fairness, representation, power and influence in various forms of decision-making, and reasoning around priorities. Important questions also concern how to integrate consideration for both the climate and biodiversity in different types of activities and operations, how to develop ethical and legal principles that take

into account people, other species and nature itself, as well as legal issues and accountability around climate change and biodiversity loss. These types of questions require research perspectives and methods primarily from the social sciences and humanities.

The call is being announced within the framework of the National Research Programme on Climate. Funded projects must align with the goals and purpose of the programme as presented in [the strategic research agenda for the programme](#). Of particular relevance to this call is the agenda's theme "System-integrated knowledge of climate change, ecosystems and society", which among other topics concerns how "the depletion of biodiversity and human-induced climate change raise fundamental questions about the interaction between humans and nature, which includes normative, cultural and historical approaches". The call is closely linked to the theme "Governance for meeting climate challenges", which touches on the importance of governance, institutions and leadership at all levels in promoting the transformation and addressing climate change, and to "A democratic and just climate transformation", which emphasises ethical issues and issues of representativeness, power and accountability.

## What can you apply for?

Research funding can be sought for projects in one of two separate budget ranges:

- SEK 3-5 million
- SEK 10-15 million

The duration for projects in both ranges is a minimum of three and a maximum of four years. No specific requirements are linked to the budget ranges, and the assessment criteria are the same for both. However, projects in the larger range naturally have more scope to involve more people, for example, or carry out more comprehensive communication and collaboration efforts, than projects in the lower range. If such major efforts are planned, they should be described in the application and reflected in the budget. It is up to the applicants to justify the requested budget.

The same project cannot receive funding in both of these ranges. If the same main or co-applicant submits two or more very similar applications, within the same budget range or in the two ranges, they will be rejected. Someone may not be the main applicant in more than one project in the call as a whole, even if the applications are for different budget ranges. If the same person is the main applicant for more than one application, all of those applications will be rejected. However, one person can be a co-applicant on any number of applications.

Applications within each budget range will be assessed separately, but by the same panel of experts. The expert panel will look at the project plan and number of participants in relation to the requested budget in its assessment of the applications.

Applications within either budget range must state how the proposed project contributes to achieving Swedish and global climate and environmental goals, as well as which of the UN's sustainable development goals it relates to.

## Who can apply under this call

The call is aimed at researchers who are affiliated with a Swedish higher education institution, research institute, or government agency that has a research mandate. In this call, we are primarily targeting researchers in the social sciences and humanities. Interdisciplinary collaborations with researchers from other scientific disciplines can also make major contributions and are welcome, but interdisciplinary research is not a requirement for applying in the call.

Formas is tasked with helping to advance society in a more sustainable direction. Crucial to such a development are equal opportunities and inclusion. We therefore encourage applicants to think as much as possible about designing the project so that it can provide knowledge that reflects and is relevant to different groups in society. We also encourage you to consider gender balance in the project team and including participants with different backgrounds and experiences. However, this will not be part of the assessment of your application at this time.

## Before you apply

All information about the contents of an application, the application process and the assessment process is described in the sections below.

### Applicant and organisation requirements

Grants in this call can only be administered by a Swedish higher education institution, research institute, government agency with a research mandate, or other organisation that primarily engages in research.

#### [Who can become an administrating organisation?](#)

To apply for a grant in this call, the following criteria must be met:

- The main applicant has completed their PhD degree by the time the call closes.
- Participating researchers have completed their PhD degree by the time the call closes. Other staff involved in the project do not need to have a PhD degree.
- The proposed grant recipient is stated as the project manager on the application.
- There is no upper age limit for the main applicant and participating researchers. However, researchers who are full-time pensioners are not eligible to receive funding towards salaries.

### Costs that qualify for funding

When you apply for project funding, you can apply for a grant to cover both direct and indirect costs. Direct costs include costs for salaries, equipment and travel. Indirect costs are costs that are

shared with others in your organisation, such as for administration, IT and renting of premises. Indirect costs are sometimes called overhead.

## Grant amount and project duration

Research funding can be sought for projects in one of two separate budget ranges. You must select which budget range you are interested in when you fill in your application. The requested funding amount **must** be a minimum of 3 million kronor and a maximum of 5 million kronor in the smaller budget range, **or** a minimum of 10 million kronor and a maximum of 15 million kronor in the larger budget range. The project must run for a minimum of 3 years (36 months) and a maximum of four years (48 months). Applications with a requested amount or project duration that does not fall within the above range will be rejected by Formas at an early stage and will not proceed to review.

Projects shall start 1 October 2022. Funds can be sought for either 2022–2025 or 2022–2026. The application's budget must indicate how the funds will be used in the project. For administrative reasons, Formas can apply a payout plan that differs from the application's allocation of the budget over time.

## Language

You should write your application in English, since the review panel that will assess your application is international. If you do write your application in Swedish, a professional translator will translate into English **only** the section describing the research programme. You will **not** be able to change the translation before the application proceeds to assessment. However, the popular science description must be written in Swedish, while the abstract should be in both Swedish and English. Your budget specification and CV will not be translated. We therefore prefer that you write these in English, even if you otherwise write in Swedish and submit the application in the Swedish version of our application system.

## Who can read the application?

According to Swedish law, your application and its appendices are considered as general public documents once they have been submitted to us. This means that anyone can request and read your application. Information can only be concealed if it is confidential as defined in the Public Access to Information and Confidentiality Act (2009:400).

Formas has limited possibilities to keep personal data confidential. Therefore, your application should not contain the personal data of anyone who is not included in the application.

The popular science description and project abstracts in Swedish and English will, if the project is awarded funding, be published in open-access project databases without a confidentiality review. Therefore, the contents of these fields should not contain sensitive information.



## Environmental considerations when planning your project

We at Formas are eager to fund projects that maximise positive and minimise negative impacts on the environment and climate. We therefore encourage grant applicants to design their projects so that collaboration takes place primarily through online meetings and that any necessary travel takes place in a climate-smart way. We also suggest that you include measures that minimise energy use and other resource consumption, emissions and waste in project planning. However, this will not be part of the assessment of your application at this time.

Please read about [Formas' own sustainability work](#).

## How to apply

### You apply in Prisma

You apply for a grant in our application system, Prisma, where you add the information you need for your application. In Prisma, you must create a personal account.

[Apply for a personal account in Prisma](#)

### Information your application must include

All limits for the maximum number of characters refer to characters including spaces. We recommend that you choose the Arial font in font size 12 for the information you enter in all text boxes. If you are copying text from another computer application, please make sure that all the text is included.

Your application must include a clear description of the project under the following sections:

#### Basic information

- **Number of years** for which the application applies.
- **Project title** in Swedish and English (max. 200 characters including spaces).
- **Popular science description** in Swedish (max. 4,500 characters including spaces). If the project is awarded a grant, the popular science description will be published in open-access project databases without a confidentiality review. The contents of this field should therefore not contain sensitive information.
- **Abstract** in Swedish and English (max. 1,500 characters each, including spaces). Project abstracts for awarded projects will be published in open-access project databases without a confidentiality review. Therefore, the contents of these fields should not contain sensitive information.

## Research programme

- **Goals and purpose** of the project, and a background description containing an overview of the research area (max. 7,000 characters including spaces)
- **Project description**, including structure, theory, methodology and implementation as well as a specific, realistic plan for publication in a scientific journal (max. 15,000 characters including spaces).
- Include the following points if they are considered relevant to the project:
  - Brief description of existing and future need for new basic equipment
  - Brief description of national and international partnerships
  - Confirmation that international agreements and rules are being complied with
  - Principal supervisor, if funding is sought for a PhD student
- **Description of the project's societal benefit and planned communication with stakeholders/users** (max. 8,000 characters including spaces). Briefly describe the potential real-world impact of the research, how the project can contribute in the short or long term to sustainable development, how stakeholders or users' needs have been taken into account when designing the project, and how the research and its results will be communicated and benefit users.
 

[Support for addressing the grounds of assessment for societal benefits and communication \(pdf\)](#)
- **References** included in the body line text under the sections above should be entered in a separate field (max. 5,000 characters including spaces).

## Budget

You report the project budget in Prisma. Note that you should always write the budget and budget specification in English; any Swedish budget specification will not be translated but will instead be assessed as is by the international review panel. In Prisma, write out the total amount you are applying for in kronor using digits. For example, SEK 1 million should be written as: 1 000 000 kronor.

The budget should include the following:

- **Salaries, including social fees** for each project participant. The total amount of the salary for a single researcher, PhD student or other staff must not exceed 100 percent of full-time employment. So, someone who already has full salary funding from any funding source cannot receive additional salary funding. Researchers who are full-time pensioners cannot receive funding for their own salary.
- **Percent of salary** refers to the percentage of the applicant's full-time salary that corresponds to their salary in the project.
- **Dedicated time for this project** refers to the percentage of a full-time position that the participants contribute. It indicates whether the applicant is contributing in-kind or other funding to complete the project.

- **Running costs** include, for example, consumables, travel, conferences and publication in open-access journals and databases. Specify operating costs in accordance with practices at the administrating organisation.
- **Equipment and depreciation costs.** Specify costs for equipment and equipment depreciation if relevant to the application. The total maximum amount you can be granted for equipment and equipment depreciation costs is 500,000 kronor.
- **Premises.** You can apply for funding to cover the cost of premises if this is not already included as overhead in the project's budget. Specify premises costs in accordance with the applicable practices at the administrating organisation.
- **Total applied/Subtotal** refers to costs already entered in the previous budget tables, which will be automatically transferred to these items.
- **Indirect costs** refer to overhead costs. When you specify overhead costs in the application, you should do so according to the practice of the organisation that will manage the grant. If funds are to be transferred from the administrating organisation to another organisation involved in the project, the overhead cost of the receiving organisation can be applied to the funds transferred. Explain and report the different overhead costs in the budget specification. The total overhead for the project must be entered in the budget table. Formas does not grant funding for overhead costs that you write off for equipment or premises.
- **Other costs** refers to funds not sought but relevant to the completion of the project. An example is co-funding from partners or project funding from other sources.
- **Total project cost** refers to a budget summary.
- **Budget specification** explains the budget in words. State how the grant amount you are applying for will be distributed each year, as well as the total amount for each organisation if funds will be transferred to other organisations. Provide a brief justification for the salary expenses stated in the budget. All other costs must be justified, such as costs for participating in conferences, publication fees for open-access publications and data, and similar. A description of the total project budget, including funding from other sources, should also be included. The budget specification is part of the application assessment.

## Ethical considerations

You should specify whether or not there are specific ethical concerns in your project. If so, state what these ethical concerns are and how you plan to manage them. Examples include research that uses personal data or research involving experiments on humans or animals.

If you are conducting research on people, human tissue or are processing sensitive personal data, you must obtain ethical approval from the Swedish Ethical Review Authority. If you are conducting an animal experiment, you also need to obtain ethical approval. You can apply for approval through the Swedish Board of Agriculture's online service.

You should state in your application whether or not you have obtained ethical approval. If you have not obtained such approval and you are awarded a grant, you must obtain it before the described studies begin.

Even if you do not expect your research to involve ethical concerns, you should state this in your application and briefly explain why not.

## Classifications

Formas uses the project's classifications in analyses and supporting documentation on an overall level. The classifications are made when the applicant states the subject area, research topic (SCB code), at least one sustainable development goal the project can contribute to, and keywords.

- **Subject area**

Select at least one and a maximum of three subject areas and add a sub-heading.

- **Research topic (SCB code)**

Select at least one and a maximum of three research topics and two sub-levels that together form the entire code.

- **Sustainable development goals**

Select at least one and up to three sustainable development goals (SDGs) the project can help to achieve, in order of relevance.

[More about the meaning of the goals](#)

- **Keywords**

Enter at least one and a maximum of three keywords describing the project.

## Administrating organisation – the organisation receiving the grant

In this call, only applicants from Formas' administrating organisations that are approved for all calls can submit an application. Prisma contains a default list of approved administrating organisations. From this dropdown list, select:

- Your administrating organisation
- Project site

## Project participants

- The principal applicant invites participating researchers to the application in Prisma.
- A participating researcher is a PhD researcher who is considered to be a co-applicant for the project.
- You can also have participating administrators who are not involved in the project but help you fill in the application form. Participating administrators cannot register the application; only the principal applicant can.
- All participants must have created their own personal account in Prisma.
- Principal applicants invite people to participate in the application process by searching for their given name, surname and email address in Prisma (note that exact spelling of names and email addresses is required).

## CVs

The project manager and participating researchers retrieve the CV information from their personal account in Prisma and add it to the application. Applicants should review in good time that their CV in Prisma is complete and up-to-date. If the participating researchers have not accepted the invitation to participate or completed the required fields correctly, the principal applicant will not be able to complete registration of the application. Participants who are not co-applicants are not able to attach CV information. Instead, their qualifications for the project should be described in the research programme.

The following CV information should be added to the application.

- **Education**
  - Postgraduate studies
  - Undergraduate and graduate education
- **Employment history**
  - Current job and previous longer jobs that are relevant
  - Postdoc assignments
  - Research exchanges relevant to the proposed research
  - Including any significant gaps in the research (such as parental leave, illness, military service or political duties)
- **Qualifications and merits:**
  - **Lectureships**
  - **Supervised students:** PhD students, postdocs, graduate thesis students; add either as an individual person or as a group. When adding a group, enter the total number for each category. When adding an individual person, name the most relevant ones (max 10).
  - **Grants received in competition:** Specify the most relevant ones (max. 10).
  - **Awards and distinctions:** Specify the most relevant ones (max. 10).
  - **Other qualifications, including summary of publications:**
    - List other qualifications that are relevant to the application, such as popular science publications and proven experience of collaboration and research communication (max. 10).
    - The principal applicant and participating researchers should also provide a brief summary of their publications during the past five years as well as the total number of publications if the applicant's active research period exceeds five years (max. 800 characters including spaces). This summary should include the following:
      - The number of publications of various types, such as articles in peer-reviewed journals, book chapters, books and other monographs, conference papers and popular science contributions.
      - The summary must **not** contain information about journal impact factors or any other type of metric used to rank publishers or journals.

## Publications

The principal applicant and participating researchers should list up to ten of their most relevant publications. The publications should be linked from the applicants' personal profiles in Prisma. You must present the publication summary in Prisma under "Other qualifications".

## Appendices

**Appendix for illustrations.** If you need figures, tables or images to describe the project, you can upload them as attachments here. A maximum of one PDF attachment of 4 MB can be uploaded. Note that a CV should not be attached as an appendix.

# After submitting your application

## Verification of the application

First, Formas verifies that the application meets the procedural requirements set out in the call. If the application does not meet these requirements, it is rejected.

The following requirements will be verified in this call:

- The administrating organisation has signed the application within seven calendar days of the call's closing date.
- The application has been approved by the administrating organisation.
- The application's focus falls within Formas' areas of responsibility.
- The focus of the application falls within the call's areas.
- The application is complete and contains all mandatory information.
- The requirements for project managers, project participants and organisations under "Applicant and organisation requirements" are met.
- The principal applicant responsible for other projects or activities funded by Formas has submitted any requested reports by the stated deadline.
- The requested budget falls within one of the established ranges (3-5 million kronor and 10-15 million kronor, respectively).
- The project duration does not fall below 36 months or exceed 48 months.

## How does the assessment process work?

Applications will be assessed by an international review panel that is qualified to cover the current theme in the call. Applications are assessed based on their contents. It is therefore important to write the application as clearly as possible and include all important and relevant information.

Each application is read and evaluated by several members of the panel. The review panel is composed of active researchers as well as individuals outside academia with the expertise necessary

to evaluate the relevance of the research. The same review panel will assess applications within the two budget ranges, but applications within the two ranges range will be assessed separately from each other. The review panel will be appointed by Formas. Discrimination, such as on the basis of sex, is prohibited in the assessment of applications. The scientific quality and relevance of the proposed research take precedence over aspects of gender equality in the awarding of funding. But in cases where applications have the same assessment scores, the underrepresented sex is given preference.

Applications are assessed with respect to scientific quality and societal relevance. This includes the following four assessment criteria:

**Assessment criteria for scientific quality:**

• **Research question**

- Scientific relevance of the purpose
- Originality and novelty of purpose, theory and hypotheses
- Possibility of scientifically significant results

• **Methods and performance**

- Feasibility and suitability of the scientific method
- The work plan is well-defined and realistic
- Coordination of the project and research team
- Appropriateness of multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary approaches, if these are chosen
- Whether the proposed research requires ethical considerations, and if so how the applicant plans to address them
- The budget is reasonable in relation to the project's implementation

• **Scientific competence**

- Scientific quality of publications
- Qualifications for implementing the project are appropriate
- Supervisory experience
- Project management experience
- National and international activities, including projects, networks, assignments, honorary assignments, and participation in or arranging workshops or conferences
- Interest, experience and ability to communicate the research and research results with stakeholders and users
- Strength and competitiveness of the research team

**Assessment criteria for societal benefit & communication:**

• **Societal value of the research question and communication of the results**

- The research question addresses important issues in society or a sector, nationally, internationally or both.
- The project has the potential to help achieve sustainable development in the short or long term, nationally, internationally or both.
- In the project's design, applicants consider the needs of stakeholders and/or users.
- The plan for scientific publication and communication is well-defined and realistic.

All assessment criteria must be addressed in the application, and applicants are encouraged to clearly relate the application to these criteria. We also strongly advise applicants to clearly and accurately organise and formulate their applications, as the review is based solely on the information contained in the application.



## Grant award decisions

A decision on which projects are granted funding is expected to be taken on 28 September 2022. We publish our decisions the following day at the latest on the Formas website and later by email from Prisma. Grant award decisions cannot be appealed.

## Reporting for granted projects

All awarded projects must submit a report to Formas containing financial and project results within three months of the end of the availability period. For projects longer than 18 months, a financial statement must also be submitted to Formas annually. All reports are submitted in Prisma.

### [How to report expenses and results](#)

Formas may impose requirements on how projects must be reported in terms of content and results to enable distribution and application. In such cases, the award decision will contain more information about this. Formas may also require you to participate in conferences and similar events in order to create synergies and platforms for learning and knowledge sharing.

## Open access to publications and research data

Results of research funded by Formas must be published using open access.

You must also have a data management plan for the data produced in the project. This plan does not need to be submitted to Formas, but should be presented on request. By signing our grant terms and conditions, you certify that a data management plan will be available before the research begins and that it will be maintained.

### [Open access to research results and data](#)

## SweCRIS

Formas shares information about awarded grants to SweCRIS, a national database of grant-funded research that was instituted by request of the government.

## Support and shortcuts

- [Prisma](#)
- [Prisma's user support](#)



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