Supplementary information on applications for the Gottfried and Vera Weiss Prize

Funding is available for projects with clearly defined objectives and methods as well as clearly specified limits in terms of duration and budget. The requirements are analogous to those applicable to the FWF's Stand-Alone Projects programme or Erwin Schrödinger Fellowships programme (including a return phase).

In this call, funding is available for projects that address meteorology and meteorology-related research questions in the following contexts:

- Climate Research;
- Atmospheric Research;
- Environmental Research.

How to submit an application

In this call, applicants are to submit proposals based either on the guidelines and forms provided for the programmes

- Stand-Alone Projects;
- Erwin Schrödinger Fellowships (including a return phase).

Applications must be submitted online at https://elane.fwf.ac.at. Once the online application is completed, the elane system will automatically generate a cover sheet, which must be printed out, signed, stamped and sent to the FWF by 30th June 2020 at the latest by conventional mail or by e-mail if the scanned coversheet is signed with applicant’s qualified electronic signature (e.g., mobile phone signature). The evidence of timely submission is the date of the postmark or the receipt of the e-mail.

Please note: In addition to the application documents required for the Stand-Alone Projects programme or the Erwin Schrödinger Fellowship programme, applicants must also fill out a programme-specific form explaining the project’s expected contribution to the improvement and advancement of meteorology and meteorology-related research. Applicants are required to submit this additional form in using the FWF’s online application system. The additional form is to be uploaded as an attachment. Please send the original form with signature to the FWF.

On the basis of the information provided on that form, the FWF will decide whether the application meets the subject-specific requirements of the call. If that is not the case, by signing the additional form, the applicant acknowledges and agrees that the project submitted will be processed and reviewed along with other applications for the respective programme.

Once the application has been received, applicants may only make changes or provide supplementary information if requested to do so by the FWF; any such changes or supplementary information must be submitted within ten days of receiving notification from the FWF.

Applications which are submitted after the deadline will be handled according to the usual procedures followed in the respective programme.
**Maximum funding amount**

For submission in the programme Stand-Alone Projects depending on the individual project project-specific costs (personnel and non-personnel costs) may be requested. The number of reviews required depends on the level of funding requested.

For submissions to the Erwin Schrödinger programme, the maximum amount is based on the programme’s current funding limit per project.

**Decision-making procedure**

Decisions on grant awards will be made by the foundation’s management on the basis of the FWF’s Boards recommendation within four weeks of the FWF Board meeting in November 2020.

The Weiss Foundation will make a total of approximately €200,000 available for this call.

Where the resources required for an excellent project to be funded by the Weiss Foundation exceed the funding amount provided by the foundation, the FWF will fund the difference from its own budget.

Grant proposals which receive outstanding reviews but cannot be funded by the foundation will undergo the FWF’s usual procedures; in such cases, however, the special arrangement regarding additional general project costs will no longer apply.

**Programme-specific information**

In Stand-Alone Projects funded by the foundation, general project costs will automatically be increased to 10%; for the return phase following a Schrödinger fellowship (where applicable), the general project costs will automatically be increased to 5%.

Proposals in this call can be submitted and approved in combination with up to three ongoing/submitted projects in the FWF’s Stand-Alone Projects programme, International Programmes (bilateral projects), Clinical Research (KLIF) programme and Arts-Based Research programme (PEEK).