**Application for NordForNet**

**with activities in 2022-2026**

The application should *not exceed 4500 words* (including words in the template).
Submit your application to sns@slu.se by August 20th 2021, 24:00 CET, at the latest.

Please adjust the size of the boxes to the length of your answer.

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| **1. Title of the network**: |  |

**Work plan**

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| **2. Description of the network, including:** |
| a) Background and relevance of the network.b) Main problem(s)/question(s) to be addressedc) The long-term aim of the networkd) Methods |

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| **3. In what way does the network address (parts of) the focus areas of this call?**  |
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| **4. Clearly describe the planned activities, including a timeline** |
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**Outcome and communication**

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| **5. Expected outcomes** |
| a) Specify expected outcomes, e.g., arranging meetings, workshops, seminars or open conferences (online or physical). Networks could also design policy recommendations based on research findings, and create or maintain databases or websites or use funding for communication activities. Note that a popular science piece is mandatory.b) Specify expected publishable outputs from the network in both academic and non-academic journals, papers or online channels. |

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| **6. Expected key figures to deliver for each of the years, 2022-2026 (e.g. number of meetings, seminars, conferences, publications, policy briefs etc.)**  |
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| **7. Define target groups and suitable channels for dissemination of results** |
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| **8. Indicate the title or topic of the popular science piece, the network will generate:** |
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| **9. How and within which areas will the network be beneficial for the Nordic region** (Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden and the autonomous areas of the Faroe Islands, Greenland and Åland Islands)**?** |
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**Project participants**

The main applicant/coordinator must be a researcher at a Nordic research institution. Networks should include researchers from *at* *least three countries in the Nordic region*. Stakeholders from industry and public sector are encouraged to participate in the network. Participants from countries of relevance for the activities of the network from outside of the Nordic region can also be included. **Note that CV must be attached** for all applicants (max 3 pages).

Every organisation in the network must indicate two contact persons for the network – one main responsible and one assisting. Even gender distribution between the two contact persons is sought.

Note that gender equality is considered important and that funded networks’ applicants should include no less than 40% of either gender. Submissions with women as main applicants are particularly encouraged.

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| **10. Applicants** | **Title** | **Name** | **Gender** | **Email** | **Organisation & country** |
| 1. Main applicant /Coordinator |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Assisting contact person |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2. Second applicant |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2. Assisting contact person |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3. Third applicant |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3. Assisting contact person |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4. Fourth applicant |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4. Assisting contact person |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5. Fifth applicant |  |  |  |  |  |
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| **11. Describe how each applicants will contribute to the network including expertise and skills** |
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| **12. Steering group members with representatives from the participating countries** |
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Approximate number of participants involved in the network activities. PhD students and early-career researchers (max 10 years of research) are expected to be included in the network. Funded networks’ participants should include no less than 40% of either gender.

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| **13. Participants** | **Women** | **Men** |
| PhD students/early-career researchers |  |  |
| Senior researchers |  |  |
| Stakeholders  |  |  |
| Others (specify) |  |  |
| **Total number of participants** |  |  |

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| **14. List the participating sectors/institutes:** |
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| **15. Knowledge transfer to younger generations is key to scientific progress. Present a plan for including and integrating PhD students and early career researchers into the network** |
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Addressing gender biases is a crucial element of efforts to promote and maintain fundamental human values and rights. SNS requires that neither gender have less than 40% representation in funded networks.

SNS has compiled a set of gender equality guidelines, available at [the SNS website](https://nordicforestresearch.org/car/), for the network to follow during the funding period. The analysis and planning sections of these guidelines can provide you with tools and inspiration on how to prepare a plan for actively integrating participants to avoid gender inequalities.

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| **16. Present a plan for actively integrating participants to avoid gender inequalities** |
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**Budget**

The amount applied for should be approximately 300-600.000 SEK/year for up to five years (2022-2026). All networks must have at least 90 % co-financing. The co-financing can either consist of cash or be in the form of in-kind such as working hours, technical equipment, rent of premises, access to infrastructure or other resources.
The SNS funding can be spent on networking costs, e.g., costs for meetings, workshops and conferences (online of physical), and costs for travel and accommodation in connection with network activities. SNS funding may also be used for labor costs including salary and overhead costs, and communication activities, but this only applies for the Nordic participants. The table below provides an overview of the costs covered by SNS funding.

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| **Costs covered by SNS funding** |
|  | Nordic countries | Baltic countries | Other countries |
| Salary to participants in the network | Yes | No | No |
| OH costs on salary | Yes | No | No |
| Travel and accommodation | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Meeting costs | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Consulting costs (e.g. event moderators) | Yes | Yes | No |
| Communication/webpage/layout/publishing | Yes | Yes | No |

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| **17. Budget (in SEK)** | **SNS funding** | **Co-financing** | **Total** |
| Cash | In-kind |  |
| Travel and accommodation |  |  |  |  |
| Meeting costs |  |  |  |  |
| Communication |  |  |  |  |
| Salary and OH |  |  |  |  |
| Other costs (specify) |  |  |  |  |
| **Total SUM (SEK)** |  |  |  |  |

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| **18. Location (country) where the planned network activities will take place** |
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| **19. Proposed allocation of the SNS funding:** |
| **Country** | **Partner/organisation** | **SEK** | **% of total** |
| Denmark |  |  |  |
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| Sweden |  |  |  |
| Norway |  |  |  |
| Iceland |  |  |  |
| Faroe Islands |  |  |  |
| Greenland |  |  |  |
| Åland Islands |  |  |  |
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| **Total SUM (SEK)** |  |  |  |

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| **20. Optional: Comments on the budget** |
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**I hereby declare that the above statements are true to the best of my knowledge**

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