

UvA FGw RIS Fund / Call 2025

Annex I: Guidelines for drawing up applications

An application consists of four parts:

1. the application
2. the curriculum vitae
3. the statement of consent from the Department Chair
4. the statement of consent from the director of the Research School

The full application is submitted as one file in PDF format and send to Sarah Randeraad via aihr-fgw@uva.nl

Part 1: Application format

Part 1 is drawn up in English. Applicants are asked to use the following Application format:

1. TITLE OF THE RESEARCH PROJECT

Provide a (preliminary) title of the proposed research project.

2. APPLICANT

Give your name and affiliated research school.

3. TYPE OF GRANT

Indicate which grant type (NWO Vidi/NWO Vici/ERC Starting/ERC Consolidator/ERC Advanced) you will submit a proposal for and the deadline for submission.

4. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED RESEARCH PROJECT (max. 500 words, excl. references)

Make clear whether you will use the RIS fellowship for:

- a. preparing an application for a personal grant, or
- b. substantially strengthening your publication list in order to increase the chance of success for future grant applications

Provide a description of your ideas for the proposed research project, taking into account the requirements that apply for the relevant type of grant. A fully-fledged proposal is not required.

5. SUBSTANTIATING STATEMENT (max. 250 words)

Describe why you are eligible to conduct the proposed research in light of the requirements that the type of grant imposes on applicants.

6. RELEVANCE TO THE RESEARCH SCHOOL AND/OR RESEARCH PRIORITY AREA

Describe the relevance of the proposed research project for the research programme of one of the schools and/or priority areas of the faculty.

7. WORK PLAN

Provide a work plan for drawing up the research application, based on a temporary increase in research time of 0.2 FTE for 6 months or 0.1 FTE for 1 year (for the first or second semester of the 2025/2026 academic years). In doing so, take account of the closing date for submission that

is applicable to the type of grant. In case you choose option *b*. please consider the time for the writing of the publication. It is important to integrate the Grant Team Humanities' step-by-step instructions for individual grants into your work plan: please follow this [link](#).

Part 2: Curriculum vitae

Part 2 is drawn up in Dutch or English. Applicants are asked to use the following CV format:

- **PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Name and affiliated research school:

UvA profile (website):

- **EDUCATION**

199? PhD

Name of Faculty/ Department, Name of University/ Institution, Country

199? Master

Name of Faculty/ Department, Name of University/ Institution, Country

- **CURRENT POSITION(S)**

201? – 202? Current Position

Name of Faculty/ Department, Name of University/ Institution/ Country

200? – Current Position

Name of Faculty/ Department, Name of University/ Institution/ Country

- **PREVIOUS POSITIONS**

200? – 200? Position held

Name of Faculty/ Department, Name of University/ Institution/ Country

200? – 200? Position held

Name of Faculty/ Department, Name of University/ Institution/ Country

- **FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS**

200? – 200? Name of Faculty/ Department/Centre, Name of University/ Institution/ Country

200? Award received from Name of Institution/ Country

198? – 199? Scholarship, Name of Faculty/ Department/Centre, Name of University/ Institution/ Country

- **SUPERVISION OF GRADUATE STUDENTS AND POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWS**

200? – 200? Number of Postdocs/ PhD/ Master Students

Name of Faculty/ Department/ Centre, Name of University/ Institution/ Country

- **CAREER BREAKS (if applicable)**

Exact dates Please indicate the reason and the duration in months.

- **LIST OF PUBLICATIONS (selection, maximum 15)**

Only mention those publications that have been published or have been accepted for publication. Instead of the complete list, applicants are encouraged to make a selection of published output. Include those that are relevant to your proposed research project and/or your research profile and refer to your UvA employee site for the complete list.

Part 3: Statements of consent

Include a statement of written consent from the Department Chair, ensuring release from teaching duties should the grant be awarded.

Part 4: Statements of consent

Include a statement of written consent from the director of the Research School, stating that the intended proposal fits within the research profile of the school.

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Annex II: Factsheet personal grants

	Criteria and profile PI ⁱ	Deadline
NWO Talent Programme		
Vidi € 800.000 5 years eligibility: 3-8 years after PhD	Assessment criteria quality of the researcher: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whether the researcher fits in the target group: is the researcher in transition to leadership, i.e. are they ready to establish a research group or expand a recent research group, and to what extent will the Vidi contribute to the researcher's leadership development? • the extent to which the researcher's qualities clearly exceed what is customary within the international peer group, as evidenced in the CV by the quality and impact of the key output and by other academic achievements¹ • the extent to which the researcher's work is clearly positioned with respect to scientific and (where possible) societal themes or questions; • the quality of the (inter)national network, collaborative abilities and visibility of the researcher; • the extent to which the researcher in the CV demonstrates the capability of generating innovative ideas and independently developing these successfully; • the extent to which researcher's approach to leadership and mentorship and plans for contributing to the development of individuals, as described in the academic profile, are appropriate; • whether the researcher's key output and academic profile clearly align with the research idea, or whether the researcher presents a convincing vision of how this alignment will be achieved. <p>See 4.3.2 (page 19) in the Vidi Call for Proposals 2024 for the assessment criteria for the research proposal.</p>	Pre-proposals: October 2025 or 2026 Full proposals: March 2026 or 2027.
Vici € 1.500.000 5 years eligibility: 8-15 years after PhD	Assessment criteria quality of the researcher: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whether the researcher fits in the target group: is the researcher at the stage of consolidation of their leadership/research group, and to what extent will the Vici contribute to the researcher's development in this area? • The extent to which the researcher's qualities clearly exceed what is customary within the international peer group, as evidenced in the CV by the quality and impact of the key output and by other academic achievements. • The extent to which the researcher's work is clearly positioned with respect to scientific and (where possible) societal themes or questions 	Preproposals: March 2026 Full Proposals: September 2026

¹ Examples of 'other academic achievements' are contributions to the development of scientific theories and methods, indications of independence, contributions to Open Science and 'academic citizenship'.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The quality of the (inter)national network, collaborative abilities and visibility of the researcher. • Whether the researcher's key output and academic profile clearly align with the research idea, or whether the researcher presents a convincing vision of how this alignment will be achieved. • The extent to which the researcher demonstrates the capability of generating innovative ideas and independently developing these successfully. • The extent to which researcher's established leadership and mentorship skills and approach to mentorship and contribution to the development of individuals, as demonstrated in the academic profile are appropriate. <p>See 4.3.2 (page 17) in the Vici Call for Proposals 2024 for the assessment criteria of the research proposal</p>	
Horizon Europe – Pilar 1: Excellent Science		
<p>ERC Starting Grant</p> <p>€1.500.000</p> <p>5 years</p> <p>eligibility: 2-7 years after PhD</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • for excellent Principal Investigators at the career stage at which they are starting their own independent research team or programme. • they demonstrate the ground-breaking nature, ambition, and feasibility of their research proposal • they have already shown evidence of the potential for research independence, for example by having produced at least one important publication as main author or without the participation of their PhD supervisor 	<p>October 2025 or 2026</p>
<p>ERC Consolidator</p> <p>€ 2.000.000</p> <p>5 years</p> <p>eligibility: 7-12 years after PhD</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • for excellent Principal Investigators at the career stage at which they may still be consolidating their own independent research team or programme. • they must demonstrate the ground-breaking nature, ambition, and feasibility of their research proposal. • they should have already shown evidence of research independence 	<p>January 2026</p>
<p>ERC Advanced</p> <p>€2.500.000</p> <p>5 years</p> <p>eligibility: track record of significant research achievements in the last 10 years</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • for excellent Principal Investigators at the career stage at which they are already established research leaders with a recognised track record of research achievements. • they demonstrate the ground-breaking nature, ambition, and feasibility of their research proposal. • they are expected to be an active researcher and to have a track record of significant research achievements 	<p>August 2026</p>

ⁱ Note that the eligibility criteria can change per round. For a full description of eligibility criteria, please refer to the NWO website and the ERC Work Programme. Moreover, for biological mothers the eligibility window of all personal grants (NWO Talent Programme & ERC grants) is extended by 18 months per child. For other parents with children the eligibility window of the grants that are part of the NWO Talent Programme is extended by 6 months per child.