

Assessment of proposals and decision

Only the latest version submitted to KCV before the call deadline will be considered. No complements will be accepted after the deadline with the exception for those KCV specifically asks for. If KCV requires a complement, it is kindly asked to hastily submit the information asked for.

The assessment of the proposals will be done by the following descriptions for Step 2:

The submitted proposals will first be assessed by the Research Areas, followed by the Research Council together with input from the Swedish Transport Administrations assessment. This assessment will be done using the criteria's described below. The proposals will be ranked and divided into one of three categories based on the funding recommendations:

- Should be funded,
- Has potential but needs improvements before funding is applicable,
- Should not be funded.

The KCV board will then reach a decision regarding the funding recommendation. The recommendation is submitted to the Swedish Transport Administration for the formal funding decision.

The decision is expected to be taken by the Swedish Transport Administration during November. Decisions with motivation will be delivered to the applicants by the KCV office.

Assessment Criteria

The following assessment criteria will be used for Step 2:

The proposals scientific quality (1-7)

Guiding questions:

- To what extent does the proposed research address important challenges in relation to existing knowledge and ongoing research in the area of KCV?
- To what extent is the project structured so that it can result in significant progress in addressing these challenges?
- When applicable, how are issues relating to sex and gender perspectives justified and handled in the research plan?
- When applicable, are the ethical considerations for the proposed project properly described and addressed? Does the applicant adequately consider potential suffering of humans and animals, and the balance of risk and value to nature and/or society?

Competence and Collaboration (1-7)

Guiding questions:

- To what extent does the proposed project increase competence inside the field of Road Technology?
- Is the project improving/increasing cooperation inside KCV?

Innovative thinking and originality (1-7)

Guiding questions:

- To what extent are the objectives novel, original and beyond the state of the art?
- To what extent does the research involve development of novel concepts and approaches, or development between or across disciplines?

Feasibility (1-3)



Guiding questions

- To what extent is the outlined scientific approach feasible considering the degree to which the proposed research is high gain?
- To what extent are the proposed research methodology and working arrangements (including participating researchers if relevant, and access to infrastructure, equipment, and other resources) appropriate to achieve the goals of the project?
- To what extent are the proposed timescales, resources, and applicant commitment adequate and properly justified?
- Does the applicant adequately consider relevant legal and formal requirements for the proposed research, for example ethical permits?

Summative grade (1-7)

The above criteria are weighted into a summative grade reflecting the assessing groups collected assessment of the proposal's scientific quality. The summative grade is produced without a predetermined numerical weighting of the base criteria. As guidance for the assessing group, the proposals scientific quality and ability to increase the competence within the area are the two most important criteria, while innovative thinking and originality should be given lower weight.

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