

# Cognitive Sciences

## Call 2015

The second project call within the thematic programme **Cognitive Sciences** of the Vienna Science and Technology Fund (WWTF) addresses

- universities and non-university research institutions as well as scientists in Vienna, including researchers moving to Vienna as a result of this call,
- that would like to conduct multi-annual (2-4 years) innovative interdisciplinary scientific research projects in the field of Cognitive Sciences.
- Proposals must bring together scientists from two to three different research disciplines to address innovative research questions in the field of Cognitive Sciences in order to advance the understanding of cognition and behaviour in humans, animals and/or artificial cognitive systems.
- Young and female scientists are especially encouraged to apply and to act as Principal Investigators.
- In total, 3 Mio. € are dedicated to this call. Funding range per project is 200.000 to 600.000 €.



**This is a two stage call: Short proposals have to be submitted by 2 pm, April 27, 2015. Full proposals have to be submitted by 2 pm, August 20, 2015.**

All interested parties are invited to an open **Proposers' Day** on **March 10, 2015**, 1-4 pm, at edu4you, Frankgasse 4, 1090 Wien, entrance Garnisongasse. Female applicants are invited to an informative section with successful WWTF awardees afterwards.

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## WWTF Project Call 2015 "Cognitive Sciences"

### Focus and Key Facts

The WWTF "Cognitive Sciences" programme targets excellent scientific research projects with no guaranteed short-term payoff in an area where there is a recognized problem affecting society, economy, or technology.

**Funding:** The overall budget allocated for the 2015 call is 3 Mio. €. Projects can request between 200.000 and 600.000 € for a project duration of two to four years.

**Schedule:** The call starts in February 2015. The deadline for the submission of short proposals is 2 pm, April 27, 2015. Note that this is a two-stage selection process. Full proposals will only be accepted upon invitation. The deadline for full proposals is 2 pm, August 20, 2015. The funding decision is expected for December 2015.

#### WWTF provides funding for scientific research projects which should

- bring together scientists from two to three different research disciplines to advance the understanding of cognition and behaviour in humans, animals and/or artificial cognitive systems,
- include empirical data (i.e. purely theoretical approaches will be excluded),
- improve the understanding of current substantial research questions in the Cognitive Sciences and thus demonstrate how the proposed work advances the Cognitive Sciences as a field. Researchers that investigate from an interdisciplinary approach the neural substrate underlying cognition and behaviour are encouraged to submit a proposal,
- be characterized by a well-defined scientific research plan that includes clearly identified research questions, specified hypotheses, and a catalogue of sound methods to address the research questions,
- have a proposing team of researchers demonstrating a solid scientific track record according to the academic age and reflecting the interdisciplinary nature of the call.

#### Please also consider the following Dos and Don'ts:

- A researcher can appear in a key role (PI, Co-PI, or Core Team) in two proposals at most.
- No industry involvement is required. Funding for industry partners is not eligible.
- Projects could come from all fields and subdomains of the Cognitive Sciences. Partners could come from areas and disciplines outside the Cognitive Sciences.
- The main project activities should take place in Vienna. However, team members can be based world-wide. Up to 20% of the funding budget may be allocated outside Vienna.
- All projects will be subject to an end evaluation after finishing the projects to assess if and how the goals of the projects (including the interdisciplinary character of the research) have been realized.

For more details kindly refer to the "WWTF Funding Guidelines" and to the "Guide for Writing a Proposal", both available online at [www.wwtf.at](http://www.wwtf.at)

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