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- Overall budget of this call is 3 Mio. €.

Deadline for short proposals is 5 July 2012, deadline for full proposals is 12 September 2012. Detailed information is available in the online submission system at www.wwtf.at.

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A Vienna Research Group is an assembly of researchers that launches individuals in their post-doc phase onto their next career step. Typically it is the first “genuine” group led by such a young researcher who undertakes leadership responsibility for several group members. Vienna Research Group leaders usually are two to eight years after PhD; care duties may extend this period by up to four years. WWTF intentionally aims this initiative at very young researchers.

Vienna Research Groups operate for six to eight years. Key milestones are: (i) an interim evaluation after three to four years; and (ii) the end of the “first” phase, chiefly financed by WWTF, after five years. The second phase will depend on the framework and opportunities available at the home institutions and will run for one to three years. Funding by WWTF is supplemented, particularly in the second phase (i.e. years 6, 6-7 or 6-8), by a significant rise in financing by the home institution.

Vienna Research Group leaders are to be independent in designing their research work and recruiting their staff.

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