The Swedish Farmers' Foundation for Agricultural Research hereby launches its open call 2019 for research and development projects. The Foundation grants funding to projects that strengthen the competitiveness and sustainability of the agricultural sector in the following four focus areas:

- Energy & biomass
- Entrepreneurship
- Climate & environment
- Food & feed

Important dates and times

- Stage 1 opens 2nd of April, 11.00
- Stage 1 closes 13th of June, 15.00
- Stage 2 opens 3rd of September, 11.00
- Stage 2 closes 10th of October, 15.00
- Board decision in December 2019

Research and development project programs

The research and development program is joint for the Foundation's four focus areas. Prerequisites and requirements for all applications can be found in the program (only in Swedish).

Choose focus area based on the project content and orientation. Each focus area and information on how areas relate to each other is described in the research- and development program. The Foundation, the industry, and academia have identified a number of challenges – related to each focus area – that the agricultural and horticultural sectors face, and where research can contribute with new valuable knowledge. Read about identified challenges in the research and development program

Success factors

 Project participation from different parts of the knowledge chain, as academy, farmers, agricultural businesses, and advisory organisations. For industry areas where contribution of funding to the Foundation is present, participants connected to contributing organisations is prioritised.

- A clear description of expected project outcome and main recipients for the project results.
- Declare all industry areas relevant for the project (meat, milk, poultry, sugar, potato, crops, energy & biomass)
- The project derived potential profitability for the industry should be described.

Projects with focus on horticultural production should apply from the horticultural call (länk).

Applicants and cooperation

The main applicant should have a PhD or equivalent well documented research competence. Cooperation between researchers, industry, advisors and/or farmers should be strived for in each project to enable dissemination and application of project results in the industry.

Project size and length

A project length of one to three years with a applied budget of 1 MSEK per year is recommended.

Open call in to stages

Stage 1: Emphasis on relevance and benefit

In the 1st stage, a short project description is submitted (maximum 3 pages). The project description should be written in Swedish and comprise a description of the project constellation and financial framework. The application is evaluated by representants from the sector for practical relevance and direct benefit to the sector. The sector reviewing group determines which applications are invited to submit a full application in stage 2.

Stage 2: Relevance and scientific quality

Applicants moving on to stage 2 are invited to submit a full-scale application which should be written in English (maximum 10 pages). The full-scale application is evaluated by a review panel including both scientific and representants from the sector. In this stage applications are evaluated both for scientific quality and relevance for the sector.

Distribution of funding

Appreciated funding frame for the 2019 open call is around 39 MSEK.

Focus areas Distribution of new project funding Food production 60% (Incl. animal and plant related production) Agricultural business 20% Energy & biomass 10% Climate & environment 10%

Electronic application

Applications are submitted using the Foundation's electronic application system.

Note that new projects can only be granted funding if the main applicant has submitted the final report of previous projects according to agreed project time schedule.

Welcome with your application!

The Foundation's application system

Research. and development program

Handbook

Support

Swedish-Norwegian Foundation for Equine Research

Applicants to the Swedish-Norwegian Foundation for Equine Research should go to hästforskning.se

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