

Application review form

Funding to strengthen R&D activities and cooperation in wellbeing services counties 2025

Spring call 2025

Panel/Name of reviewer: Name of applicant: Title of proposed project: Application number:

How to review applications for funding to strengthen R&D activities and cooperation in wellbeing services counties

This funding scheme is aimed at strengthening cooperation between collaborative areas for healthcare and social welfare and other research actors in the areas. The funding promotes R&D in wellbeing services counties and strengthens cooperation within the reformed structures of the health and social services system.

The focus of the review should be on the call objectives: to increase cooperation between wellbeing services counties, universities, universities of applied sciences and government research institutes.

Other evaluation items are the quality of R&D activities facilitated by the consortia, the implementation of the projects and the societal impact.

Provide both a written review and numerical ratings in section 1 (Project's relevance to call), section 2 (Quality of project plan) and section 3 (Implementation), and give an overall rating in section 5. Write evaluative comments rather than descriptive ones. Section 4 (Review panel's summary assessment) is written by the panel during the panel meeting.

Use a rating scale ranging from 6 (outstanding) to 1 (insufficient). The consistency between the numerical rating and the written comments is particularly important.

Rating scale	Description
6 (outstanding)	Has potential to substantially contribute to the objectives of the call; has potential
	to substantially support high quality R&D activities; presents a very high-quality
	plan



5 (excellent)	Has potential to contribute to the objectives of the call; has potential to support
	high quality R&D activities; presents a high-quality plan contains no significant
	elements to be improved
4 (good)	Has potential to contribute to the objectives of the call; has potential to support
	good quality R&D activities; presents a good-quality plan but contains some
	elements that should be improved
3 (fair)	Is in general sound but contains important elements that should be improved
2 (poor)	Contains flaws and needs substantial modification or improvement
1 (insufficient)	Contains severe flaws that are intrinsic to the proposed project or the application

1 Project's relevance to call

1.1 Project's relevance to call

Subrating (1-6)

Contribution of application to achieving objectives of call

Please review:

- Alignment of proposed plan with special objectives of funding scheme (incl. societal impact)
- Added value of collaboration between consortium parties for R&D activities of wellbeing services county
- Added value for R&D of strengthening cooperation between consortium and external actors (e.g. organisations, municipalities and businesses)
- Strengthening R&D cooperation in reformed structures of health and social services system
 - See call text for complete description of the objectives of this call.
 - See project plan.

2 Quality of plan

2.1 R&D quality, novelty and innovativeness of project plan

Subrating (1-6)

Please review:

- Significance of project in relation to current knowledge, R&D-based starting points
 - How the project and the methods used are linked to previous international and/or national R&D (state of the art)
 - R&D premise, aims and objectives
- R&D questions and/or hypotheses
- Project's potential to generate new knowledge, new methods, new technology or new practices
- Impact of R&D within academia



- See project plan.
- The consortium application consists of three or more subprojects, each with nominated PIs and separate budgets but a common plan. The consortium implements a joint plan with a view to achieving more extensive added value than through normal cooperation.

3 Implementation

3.1 Feasibility of plan, including aspects of responsible science

Subrating (1-6)

Please review:

- Collaborators
 - o Required partners as stated in the call text, as well as their roles
 - Justifications for selected partners and how the collaboration promotes and strengthens the R&D activities of the collaborative areas for healthcare and social welfare
 - National and international collaborators of key significance to project implementation as well as their roles
- Project plan and schedule
 - Feasibility of project
 - o Materials, R&D data and methods
 - Detailed description of R&D to be performed, starting from objectives, scientific references and preliminary data (if available)
 - o Description of R&D tasks, their implementation and interconnections
 - o If necessary, description of responsibilities and management related to R&D tasks
 - Schedule for project implementation, incl. R&D tasks and work packages, distribution of personnel resources, and project milestones and deliverables
 - o Research environment including research infrastructures
 - o Identified potential scientific or methodological problem areas and mitigation plan
 - Consideration of research ethics, open access to research publications and data, data management, promotion of equality and nondiscrimination in society at large, and sustainable development within the project
 - See project plan.

3.2 Expertise, human resources, and collaborations, including aspects of responsible science Subrating (1-6)

Please review:



- competence and expertise of all nominated PIs of consortium in terms of project implementation
- complementary expertise of teams directly working for/funded in the project, including appropriateness and sufficiency for proposed project
- adequateness of human resources for project implementation, with attention to promoting equality and nondiscrimination within project
- contribution of both national and international R&D collaborators, engaged with their own funding, and impact of their environment on project's potential success
- implementation plans for interaction with end-users and beneficiaries at various stages of project (key actors, means, channels and optimal timing)
 - See project plan.
 - See most relevant publications and other key outputs in the application form.
 - See **CV(s)** of the nominated PIs in the application form.
 - See possible letter(s) of collaboration.

4 Review panel's summary assessment of proposal

4.1 Main strengths and weaknesses of proposal and their justifications; possible other remarks

TO BE COMPLETED ONLY AT THE PANEL MEETING

Section 4 of the form is applicable only during the review panel meeting.

4.1.1 Main strengths and their justifications

(no numerical rating)

- Summary assessment of application's main strengths with justifications
 - Refer to the review criteria in sections 1, 2 and 3.
 - To be completed only at the panel meeting

4.1.2 Main weaknesses and their justifications

(no numerical rating)

- Summary assessment of application's main weaknesses with justifications
 - Refer to the review criteria in sections 1, 2 and 3.
 - To be completed only at the panel meeting

4.1.3 Other remarks (if any):



5 Overall rating Rating (1-6)

• Please note that the final rating should not be a mathematical average of the subratings. For example, the application should not be penalised if it has a slight weakness in one evaluation item that is later strengthened in another item (e.g. lack of some expertise in a local team but compensated through international collaboration).

Ranking based on panel discussion (the ranking is made during the panel meeting)

Your application was ranked [ordinal number] of all [number] [Funding instrument name] applications reviewed in this panel. Only applications with a final rating of 4, 5 or 6 were ranked.