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HORIZON 2020



PARTICIPATION IN EU FRAMEWORK PROGRAMS

ACTION PLAN 2016–2022 // UNIVERSITY OF BERGEN
DIVISION OF RESEARCH ADMINISTRATION

PARTICIPATION IN EU FRAMEWORK PROGRAMMES

A goal of the strategy of the University of Bergen for the period 2016-2022 “Ocean, Life, Society” is that by 2022, all our faculties will have world-class academic environments and additional disciplines of high international standard. To reach this goal, both financial support and earnings from commissioned assignments must be bolstered.

The action plan aims at increasing the participation in Horizon 2020 as well the positioning of the University’s interest towards the new framework program 2021–2027. The action plan is relevant to the entire institution. This means that academics as well as the leaders of departments, faculties, administrative units and rectorate bear a responsibility for its implementation.

Priority areas

- UiB shall influence the shaping of EU framework programs
- UiB shall enhance its participation in EU framework programs by increasing the number of competitive proposals and awarded grants
- UiB shall provide its academics with an effective and skilled administrative support during proposal preparations, contract negotiations and project management.

Footnotes

1 Division of Research Administration • 2 “Bidrag og oppdragsfinansiert aktivitet” Norwegian for externally funded activities
3 AdvG: Advanced grant. CoG: Consolidator grant. StG: Starting grant • 4 Communication Division • 5 Division of Human Resources

UiB PRIORITY AREAS FOR THE PERIOD 2016–2022

A. PRIORITY: UiB SHALL INFLUENCE THE SHAPING OF EU FRAMEWORK PROGRAMS (FP)

OBJECTIVES	MAIN ACTIVITY	RESPONSIBLE	PERIOD
A1: Promotion of UiB's strategic and long-term interests in EU FPs	Contact with authorities and partners	University leadership, Faculty, DRA ¹ ,	Annual report, Evaluation in 2019
	Cooperation with Norwegian representatives in EU's scientific committees	Brussels office	
	Active participation in relevant national and international networks and organisations		
A2: All faculties shall have academics participating as experts in EU's evaluation panels and scientific committees	Inform and facilitate academics to register in EU's expert database	Faculty, DRA	Annual report

B. PRIORITY: UiB SHALL ENHANCE ITS PARTICIPATION IN EU FRAMEWORK PROGRAMS BY INCREASING THE NUMBER OF COMPETITIVE PROPOSALS AND AWARDED GRANTS

OBJECTIVES	MAIN ACTIVITY	RESPONSIBLE	PERIOD
B1: Increase funding by 20% and number of proposals by 50% compared to EU FP7	Identify research areas, sub-programs and thematic programs in which UiB shall participate	Faculty in cooperation with DRA	Annual report
	Dedicated incentives to award winning projects	University leadership	Annual report
	Highlight specific measures and actions in the budget planning of faculties and the University	University leadership, Faculty	Annual report
	Strengthen interdisciplinary cooperation as well as cooperation with the industry and the public sector	Faculty, DRA	Annual report
B2: Increase awarded ERC grants. Target numbers are: 8 AdvG, 5 CoG, 7 StG ³	Increase proposal submission and recirculation of rejected proposals. Promote synergies among calls at the regional, national and international level	Faculty, BOA ² -team	Report every term
	Long-term recruitment and development of potential candidates as well as their research teams	Faculty	Report every term

C. PRIORITY: UiB SHALL PROVIDE ITS ACADEMICS WITH AN EFFECTIVE AND SKILLED ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT DURING PROPOSAL PREPARATION, CONTRACT NEGOTIATION AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT

OBJECTIVES	MAIN ACTIVITY	RESPONSIBLE	PERIOD
C1: Dedicated services, training and analyses	Further development of the BOA-team, an interdisciplinary administrative support and training team on external funding, with corresponding analysis group	Administrative divisions, BOA-team leader	Annual report, Evaluation 2019
	Six research advisors to become evaluators in EU's framework programs	DRA	
C2: All faculties to exploit UiB's Brussels office	Develop and implement a plan to advertise and exploit the services of UiB's office in Brussels	DRA, CD ⁴ , faculty	Fall 2016, Annual report
C3: Promotion of UiB's leading research teams	Dissemination and outreach activities shall prioritize the university's strategic research areas and externally funded projects	CD, BOA-team, faculty	Annual report
C4: Personnel policy and career development that complies with European demands and expectations	Inform and promote the adhesion to the <i>European charter for researchers</i> and the <i>Code of conduct for recruitment of researchers</i>	HR ⁵	Report at the end of 2016
	Update the rules and practice for career development, recruitment and employment	HR	Annual report