



## Template for pre-proposals to WAF at SLU

According to the KAW guidelines, all applications submitted to WAF must undergo an internal prioritization process at the nominating university. At SLU, this is achieved by a process (Internal guidelines for WAF at SLU - [Swedish](#) / [English](#)) in which interested researchers submit a pre-proposal for WAF, which is first assessed at the faculty level and then by a specially appointed prioritization group, with the task of making a recommendation on which candidates should be nominated by the Vice Chancellor. The pre-proposal is made by filling out this form, **in English, and sending it to the faculties, via the Research Officers, no later than September 15, 2020.**

Before submitting your application, carefully read KAW's application guidelines for WAF and consider the following;

- Wallenberg Academy Fellows is a career program open to researchers up to nine years after PhD, working in any scientific discipline.
- Nominated candidates should focus on research of basic scientific character and show a strong potential to become research leaders in the future.
- Researchers that are nominated to WAF should work in areas that are in line with the priorities of SLU, the faculty and the nominating department, and be considered to have the qualifications needed for pursuing an academic career at SLU.
- Discuss the candidate's profile and project idea with the head of the intended host department well in advance of submitting the pre-proposal, as it is the responsibility of the department head to ensure that the candidate's research is in line with the faculty's strategy.

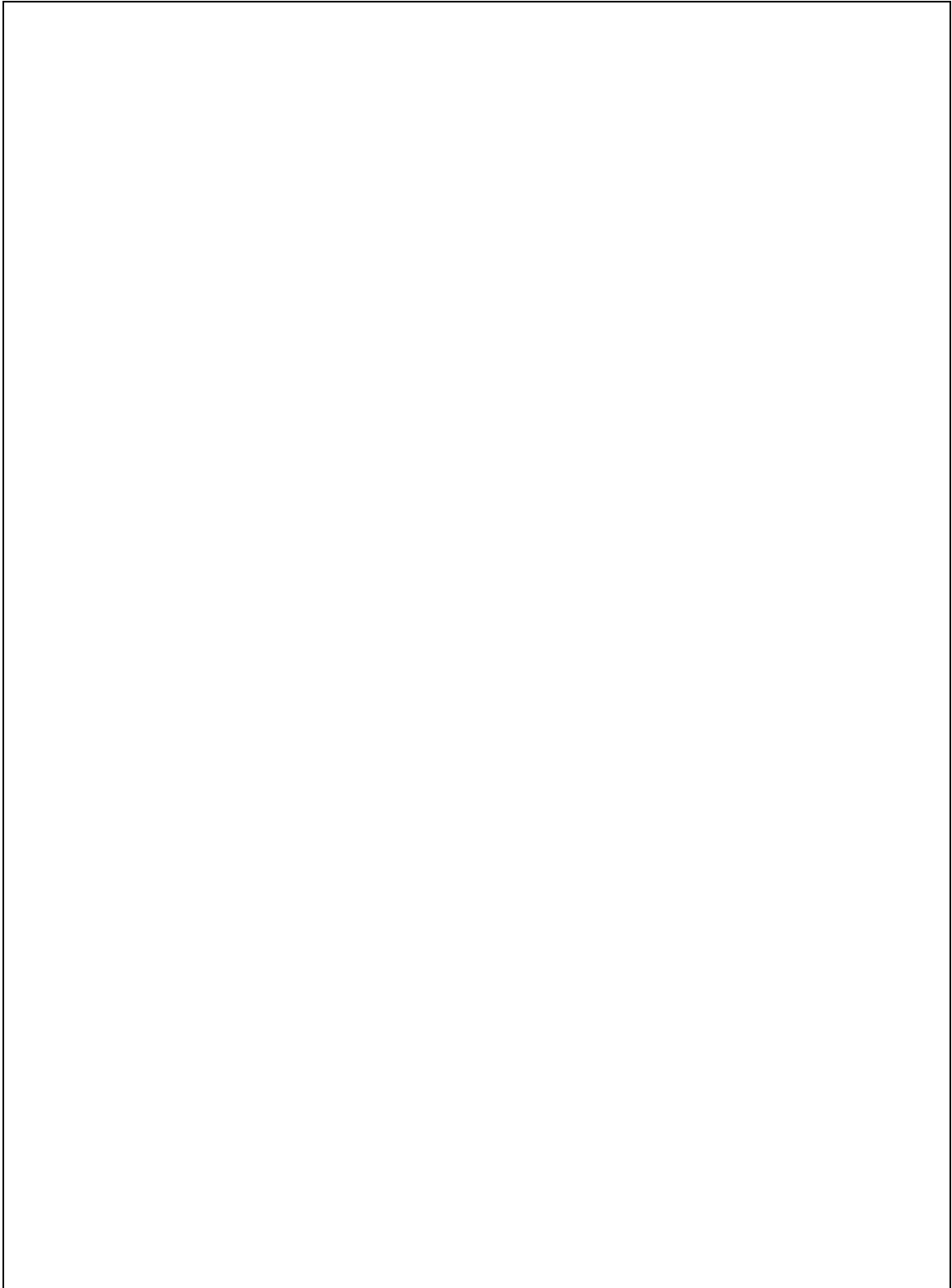
### Information about the researcher proposed to be nominated for WAF

Name, title	E-mail
Date of PhD (year/month/day)	Phone
Host department + Faculty (NJ, S, VH, LTV)	Research field
External / Internal candidate	Male / Female
Project title (max. 254 characters)	

**Project description (max. 5000 characters, including spaces)**

Provide a short synopsis that describes the researcher's proposed project (including aims/objectives, significance and implementation). Make sure to answer the following questions;

- i) What are the overall aims and objectives of the project? Which is the most important research question that the project is addressing?
- ii) In what way will the project move the frontiers of science in the relevant research field? What basic scientific knowledge will the project contribute?
- iii) Why is this knowledge important?
- iv) In what way is the project ground-breaking and bold? Define and motivate which novel research questions and/or methods that will be asked and/or developed?
- v) How will the aims of the project be achieved?



**Background and expertise of the nominated candidate  
(max. 3000 characters, including spaces)**

Describe the nominated researcher's background and expertise, as well as how he/she would fit into the proposed research environment. This section should include a summary of the researcher's strengths and qualities, potential to become a future research leader, as well as highlights from his/her research and CV.

**Strategic significance (max. 2000 characters, including spaces)**

Describe in what way the proposed research and candidate is of strategic importance for SLU, as well as for Sweden in an international perspective.

## Endorsement by the host department

All pre-proposals to WAF need to be supported by the nominating department. This is preferably done by informing the department head in good time before submitting a pre-proposal. Further, when submitting a pre-proposal, a copy of the proposal must be sent to the head of the department.

Head of department	Department
E-mail	Phone

I hereby certify that the head of the candidate's intended host department has been informed of this pre-proposal, and that the nomination is in line with the faculty's strategy.

## CV och bibliometric information

Please attach a brief CV for the nominated candidate, according to the dedicated [CV template](#) (max. 2 pages), together with bibliometric information, following the instructions given in the CV template (max. 1 page).

## For external candidates

Enclose a signed declaration that the proposed researcher agrees to move to Sweden and conduct research at SLU (also indicate location/campus), as well as a motivation for why the researcher considers SLU to be a suitable university for his/her future career in academia (max. 1 page).

Please compile your pre-proposal to WAF into **one single PDF** consisting of this form, CV and bibliometric information for the nominated researcher, as well as a signed declaration and motivation for external candidates, and **submit it by e-mail to the Faculty Research Officer, with a copy to the head of the nominating department, latest on September 15, 2020.**