

Faculty of natural Resources and Agricultural Sciences The Dean **CALL FOR PROPOSAL** SLU ID: SLU.ua.2023.1.1.1-3729 2023-10-25

Call for proposals concerning scholarship for researchers in agricultural sciences employed at universities or institutes in Ukraine

Aims

The Faculty of Natural Resources and Agricultural Sciences (NJ) announces a program providing scholarships for researchers in agricultural sciences employed at universities or research institutes in Ukraine. The aim of the program is to enable such researchers to spend time at SLU in order to facilitate new collaborations with scientists at the faculty and to maintain and develop scientific methods and skills that are important for European agriculture and food security.

Prerequisites

Applicants should have an employment as researcher or corresponding at a university, research institute, or corresponding research organization in Ukraine. A current or recent appointment at SLU is not allowed. The applicant must be active within the field of agricultural sciences corresponding to one or several scientific fields within the NJ-Faculty at SLU.

The host department should arrange for administrative issues enabling receiver of scholarships to be active at the department and have access to e-mail, library and other facilities for a fruitful cooperation to be developed.

Application

The call for proposals will be open between 30 October and 30 November 2023. The aim is to grant funding before 31 December 2023.

An application should consist of:

- 1. A short description of the applicants previous and current research (indicative 1 page, written by the applicant)
- 2. A CV of the applicant

- 3. A plan for the cooperation with researcher(s) at one or several departments at the NJ-Faculty (indicative 1-2 pages, written by the department)
- 4. A letter of invitation by the head of department hosting the applicant.

By signing the letter of invitation, the head of the host department undertakes to arrange for administrative issues enabling receiver of scholarships to be active at the department and have access to e-mail, library and other facilities needed to develop a fruitful cooperation.

Review of proposals

Proposals will be evaluated according to:

- 1. The degree to which the applicant's research corresponds with the research at the host department
- 2. The potential benefits for the applicant and SLU as described in the plan. This includes an evaluation of the importance of the scholarship for achieving the objectives described in the plan.
- 3. The connection to research in the field of agriculture conducted at the Faculty.

Proposals should be written in English or in Swedish.

Extent of scholarships

A scholarship amounts to 200 000 SEK for enabling the receiver to stay in Sweden and develop competence and cooperation with researchers at the NJ-Faculty. Payment must be in accordance with general tax regulations in Sweden. Any breach of this that results in post taxation of SLU will be the responsibility of the host department to handle. The faculty office will inform the host department about the details concerning payment.

Reporting

The host departments shall submit report to the Dean no later than 30 June 2025 concerning the outcome of the scholarship as regards development of cooperation and expanding competence of the researcher receiving scholarship.