

Roles and Composition of the Project Team

The WWTF Funding Portal uses standard research project terms that might not perfectly fit this specific call. Please interpret these terms flexibly - think of them as close equivalents rather than exact matches.

A project's **core team** may include **up to three Principal Investigators (PIs)**. This includes a PI&C and up to two co-PIs.

- Core team members may share equal roles in the project.
- The core team must have a proven record that demonstrates the ability to conduct the proposed project.
- **Each core team member must submit a CV**, which will form part of the evaluation.
- A core team member (i.e., PI&C, co-PI) may appear in a maximum of two proposals in this call. In case of three or more proposals with the same PI, WWTF will accept the first two proposals submitted. Involvement in other past / ongoing / granted WWTF projects does not impact the eligibility to apply in this call.

One PI must be designated as **PI&C** (PI and coordinator).

- For legal and administrative reasons (funding contract, reporting), WWTF requires a PI&C to be named. The PI&C will be the contact person for WWTF regarding all aspects of the project.
- The PI&C must have an affiliation at a Viennese research institution, which will serve as a legal contract partner.

Up to two **co-PIs** may also be named in the core team.

- WWTF recognizes that co-PIs may have equally significant roles in the project. However, the PI&C will be regarded as the main contact person for the project.
- Co-PIs may be based in Vienna or elsewhere (in Austria or internationally) in fulfillment of the requirements of regular WWTF projects.

Please note that the team can consist of scientists and/or non-scientists. I.e., IT personnel or "senior scientists", as the term is often defined at Austrian universities, can of course be part of the project team.

Additional **project partners and collaborators** are permitted in the project team.

- Non-academic collaboration partners (e.g., NGOs) may be part of the project team.
- Industry partners are not eligible for funding, but may partake with in-kind or financial contribution.

Partners outside Vienna:

- For regular WWTF projects, project partners outside of Vienna may receive up to 20% (i.e., <20%) the total requested funding.

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