Guidelines for good scientific practice and ethics

Compliance with the **rules for good scientific practice,** including the observance of ethical aspects in research, is mandatory. This pertains to the application process and, in case of funding, the actual research work. WWTF is member of the OeAWI and processes apply accordingly.

Project proposals may include **ethical aspects** that require the approval from an ethics committee/institutional review board.

- If the approval from the ethics committee/institutional review board is required for the planned project this must be clearly stated.
  - An acknowledgement of receipt from the ethics committee/institutional review board must be submitted with the proposal.
  - The final approval (“Votum”) must be submitted to WWTF the latest before project start.
- Should it not be possible to obtain a final ethical approval before the jury meeting due to reasons which are beyond the control of the applicant, the applicant must explain the reasons in the application and send the preliminary approval to the responsible call manager once received.
- The approval by the ethics committee should be specific for the planned WWTF project.
- Non-compliance will result in the rejection of the proposal on formal grounds.

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