

Austrian Science Fund (FWF) – Research Foundation Flanders (FWO)

2019 Call for Joint Projects

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1. Introduction

The Austrian Science Fund (FWF) and the Research Foundation Flanders (FWO; Fonds Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek – Vlaanderen) jointly offer the possibility to apply for bilateral Flemish-Austrian Joint Research Projects. Joint Research Projects should combine the complementary expertise of the project partners. The project parts should be closely integrated and there should be substantial and balanced scientific input from both sides.

1.1. Project Duration

Joint Projects submitted to this call can have a duration of **up to four years (48 months)**. At FWO, for administrative reasons the project duration is limited to 45 months. Still, FWO funds can be used even after expiry of 45 months (for details contact FWO).

1.2. Thematic Scope of the Call

The call is open to **all areas of scientific research**.

2. Lead Agency Procedure

Applications will be dealt with following the Lead Agency Procedure. In 2019, **FWO takes the role of the Lead Agency for all proposals**. The joint application must meet the formal requirements of the Lead Agency. The Lead Agency is in charge of carrying out the peer review process and will make a funding suggestion which is forwarded to FWF for confirmation.

2.1. Cost Calculation / Eligibility

The two project parts will be funded separately by FWF and FWO respectively. Thus, the **costs** for the Austrian project part must be calculated in accordance with the [FWF guidelines for stand-alone projects](#) (as published on 1 January 2019) The Austrian applicant must meet the **eligibility criteria** as stated in the above mentioned guidelines.

For Flemish applicants, the [FWO guidelines](#) apply.

3. Deadline

The deadline for submission of proposals is **1 April 2019**. Proposals must reach **FWO** by **17:00 hrs**. At **FWF**, the **signed cover sheet** that is generated at the end of the online submission process must be sent to FWF by mail (Sensengasse 1, 1090 Wien) on **1 April at the latest (date of post stamp)**. Please note that the original signatures of the applicant and the representative of the host institution must be included on the cover sheet. Alternatively, the signed/stamped cover sheet can be scanned in, signed using the applicant's qualified electronic signature and sent to the FWF by e-mail (office@fwf.ac.at).

4. How to submit a proposal

4.1. Requirements at FWO

Proposals are submitted to FWO, following the [FWO regulations for regular fundamental projects](#) (“Junior and Senior Research Projects”), respecting the deadline. The specific guidelines on this call can be consulted on [this FWO webpage](#).

All involved Flemish and Austrian (co-)supervisors must update their online profile including an updated list of publications on the [FWO E-portal](#) by the deadline at the latest. If the Flemish or Austrian applicant has no E-portal profile yet, this must be requested from FWO. It is strongly advised to register well in advance at the FWO E-portal as access needs to be manually granted by the FWO administration.

In addition to the requirements set forth in the FWO application guidelines, proposals must include information on:

- the **distribution of work** between the partners
- the **scientific added value** of the co-operation
- **separate budget justification** for the Austria and the Flemish project part (both for personal and non-personnel costs)

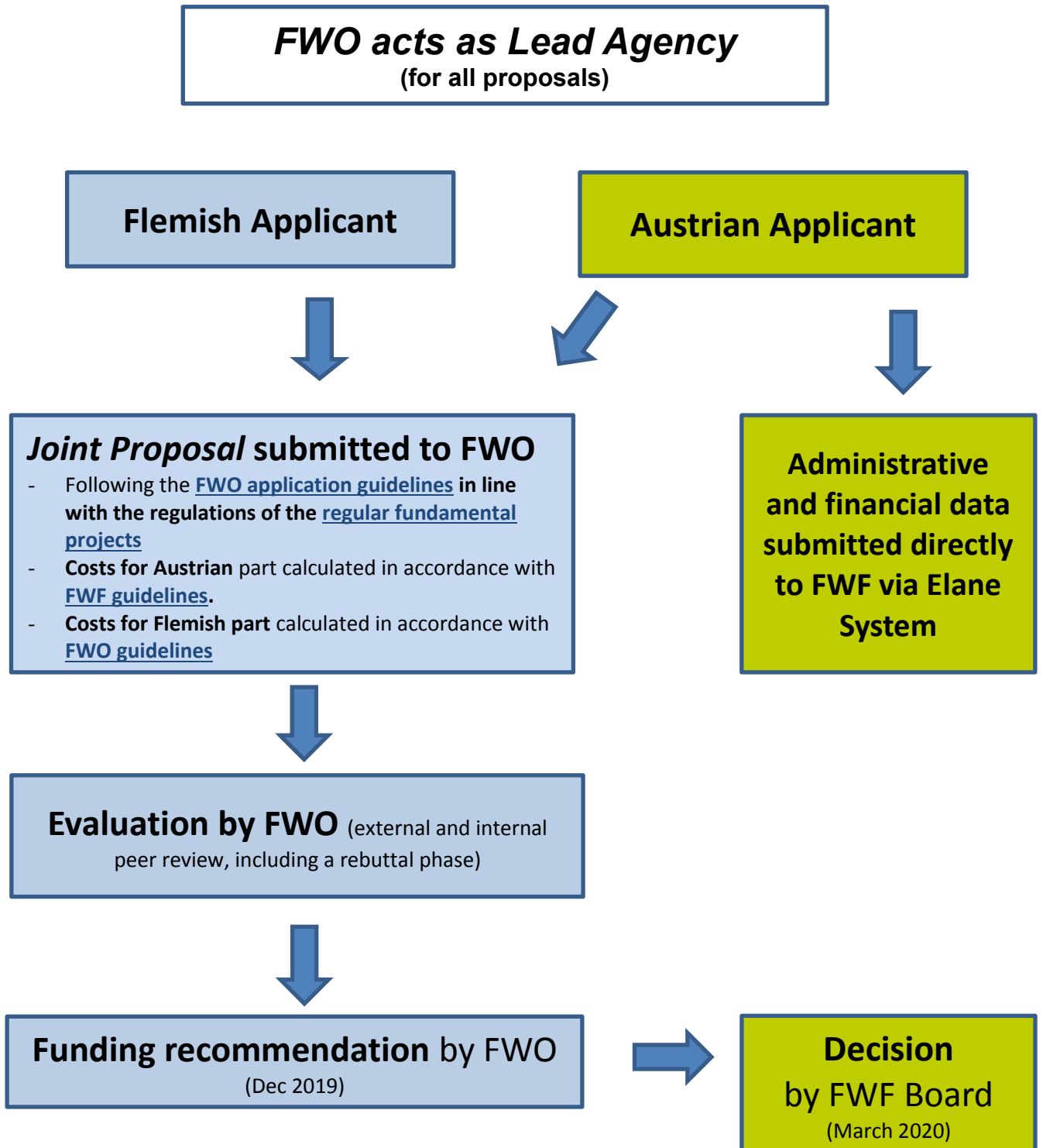
4.2. Requirements at FWF

Austrian applicants must submit the **administrative** and **financial data** as well as an **abstract** in accordance with the guidelines for stand-alone projects via the FWF **Elane system** (<https://elane.fwf.ac.at>), using the programme category “**I – International Projects**”.

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Important note: Austrian applicants and national research partners must create a **profile** on the [FWO E-portal](#) before the deadline.

5. Graphic Summary



6. Contacts

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