



LUF Praesidium Libertatis Grant 2021

Conditions and procedure – Call for applications, 7 April 2021

The Praesidium Libertatis Grant is awarded annually to a young talented researcher, who is able to (further) develop innovative and original research ideas. The grant is also meant to be a first step towards larger grants. The grant amounts to € 75,000, made available by the Praesidium Libertatis I Foundation, part of Leiden University Fund. Applications will be assessed by the LUF Committee for Academic Expenditure (CWB).

Timeline

For the 2021 grant the timeline is as follows:

- applications supported by the faculty board can be submitted between 1 June and Monday 5 July 2021 at 13:00 hrs;
- all applications will be discussed in the CWB meeting of Monday 20 September 2021; the applicants of the top-three projects will be invited for a presentation during the CWB meeting of Tuesday 5 October 2021;
- in principle one grant will be awarded for a maximum amount of € 75,000;
- the application awarded will be communicated in the week of 11 October 2021.

Pre-selection, conditions and assessment criteria

From each faculty a maximum of two applications may be submitted. Within each faculty a pre-selection will take place, for which a contact person will be appointed for applicants and LUF.

The pre-selection will take into account the following conditions:

- Applicants must be employed by Leiden University and should have obtained a doctorate degree, not longer than ten years ago, which means on or after 1 April 2011.
- An applicant may not apply for the LUF Impuls Grant 2021 at the same time.
- The [NWO compensation schemes](#) are applicable, in particular the extension clause.

The assessment of the applications is based on the following criteria:

- a. scientific relevance and innovative;
- b. clear problem definition and research methodology;
- c. ambition of the applicant and quality of CV;
- d. a clear and appropriate budget.

Application procedure

Applicants who have been selected by their faculty, can submit their full project plan via the LUF grant portal on the LUF website between Monday 1 June and Monday 5 July 2021 at 13:00 hrs.

The digital application form has to be accompanied by the following appendices:

- A. A summary in Dutch for non-professionals (not more than 200 words).
- B. A project description in not more than 1,000 words (references not taken into account), and not more than three illustrations (tables/graphs/pictures). Use the following structure:
 1. Project name, 2. General overview of the project, including relevance to society, 3. Problem definition, goal and expected results, 4. Research methodology, 5. Planning/timeline, including start date (not before 1 November 2021).
- C. Budget for the project, including an explanation why the project cannot be funded elsewhere.



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- D. A recommendation letter by the faculty board;
- E. CV of the applicant, including the promotion date; not more than two pages.

If you have any questions about this grant round, please send an email to the CWB secretariat (Henk Snijders, Inge Erkelens): cwb@luf.leidenuniv.nl, or call us on 071 – 527 4903 / 06 2497 4360.