**Project Description, 2025-R**

**Project Name:**

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**Note: This template is used when applying for funding for Space Research, including Earth Observation Research**

In this template, each section contains instructions on the required content written in **blue italic font**. Please read these instructions carefully. Do not remove any section heading; if a section does not apply to your project, simply state “Not applicable.” You are however free to add any sub-section under the mandatory sections, as needed to make your application as clear as possible.

When writing your proposal, please also consider the criteria for evaluation as outlined in the instructions for the call.

This document should be enclosed to the application in PDF format. See Prisma for the maximum number of pages. The minimum font size for bulk text in this enclosure should be 12p.

Remove any blue italicised instructional text from your final submission.

# Summary

A general summary of the proposed research project. This summary can be more specialised than the text entered in the Prisma form under “Abstract, at a level suitable for researchers in nearby fields (English)”.

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# Background

## Background and Rationale

* Briefly present the topic considered in this proposal, describe the scientific importance of the proposed study, the gaps in current knowledge, etc. Sufficient background information should be given to allow a peer with no prior knowledge of your work to make a good evaluation of the proposal.
* If applicable, describe preliminary results relevant to the proposed project.

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## Previous investments

If applicable, describe how the proposed project builds on previous investments by the applying team and/or SNSA in a space mission. Such investments may include contributions to the definition, design, or manufacturing of a scientific instrument, software development for data simulation or data acquisition, consortium management, method development, or Cal/Val activities. Provide sufficient detail, including details on the space mission/instrument, such as responsible agency, launch date, status of the mission/instrument, brief summary of Swedish contribution, to allow the reviewers to assess the connection to previous work and its relevance to the proposed research.

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## Outreach and Societal benefit

* Describe the importance of the project internationally and for Swedish society, including both basic and applied science aspects, if applicable.
* For projects involving Earth Observation data, if relevant, provide additional details on potential applications for societal impact, and identify possible end-users, such as governmental agencies, private companies, or other stakeholders.
* *Explain your plan to communicate your research results to the general public.*

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# Scientific Objectives and Goals

Describe the scientific objectives and goals. Describe the scientific novelty and rationale. How does the project relate to similar, on-going, or planned research internationally? The planned methodology and technical implementation should be clear from this chapter together with the Project Plan chapter.

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# Usage of Space Data

## Data Specification

Please state which planned or implemented space missions (including sounding rockets and high-altitude balloons) you plan to use data from in your project. Describe and justify your specific need for this data.

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## Data Access

Is access to data freely available? Do you have special access to data through membership in a consortium? (If so, specify details.) Do you plan to apply for observing time? (If so, specify schedule for applications and decisions.).

In case of future missions, please specify the currently planned schedule.

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## Additional Laboratory Resources

If applicable, describe any additional laboratory resources required for this project, as well as how they will be provided and managed.

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# Project Plan

## Work Packages

Detail the work packages, including responsibilities and deliverables for the proposed project. Clearly break down the total work effort into work packages, providing a clear description that allows reviewers to assess project feasibility and timelines.

**WP1: Work package name**

(WP1: x % of project’s total number of hours)

Project participants and their workload (in FTE): [add text]

Description (content and contributions from participants): [add text]

Expected scientific output: [add text]

**WP2: Work package name**

(WP2: x % of project’s total number of hours)

Project participants and their workload (in FTE): [add text]

Description (content and contributions from participants): [add text]

Expected scientific output: [add text]

**WP3: Work package name**

(WP3: x % of project’s total number of hours)

Project participants and their workload (in FTE): [add text]

Description (content and contributions from participants): [add text]

Expected scientific output: [add text]

*Etc.*

## Timeline

Include a timeline.

# Project Organisation

## Project Team and Responsibilities

Describe the project organisation and staff situation. Describe the staff experience in project relevant areas and the responsibilities of individuals.

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## International Collaboration and Dual-Use

**SNSA note for applicants and reviewers:** Information related to dual-use and international collaborations are primarily intended to allow SNSA to specify appropriate rules and processes to make sure funded projects adhere to applicable Swedish laws (*säkerhetsskydds­lagen, lag om kontroll av produkter med dubbla användningsområden*). [Please leave this note in the proposal]

### International Collaboration

Describe all achieved, planned or foreseen international aspects related to the proposed project. Please include contacts and relations with individuals outside Sweden and relationships to organizations outside Sweden.

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### Dual-use Products

Describe all planned or foreseen handling of or development of products with dual use potential.

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# Plan for Doctoral Student Position

Describe the planning for the PhD student if coverage of a PhD student position is requested.
If this does not apply, then you can simply write “Not applicable”.

* Name of supervisor supervisor(s). Describe their qualifications (e.g. tutoring and teaching experience), and commitments (in percentage of full time) to the supervision tasks. Note: Supervisor must be project leader or a participating researcher.
* Outline a clear and credible plan for the thesis work. List milestones and the research tasks under the responsibility of the student. List the expected results and output of his or her research.
* Try to have the main project plan in chapter 5 and focus in this chapter on the PhD. student perspective, i.e. on what is not clear from the general project description.

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# Risk Assessment

Describe the main risks affecting the project.

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# Specification of Costs

## Breakdown and Justification of Costs

Here you specify and justify requested costs (note that it is not sufficient to merely restate the information given in the Prisma budget tables). References to the WP in previous chapters can be made.

In case you are applying for a Ph.D. student position, also clarify the following costs (for a maximum of four years):

* Tutoring costs. It should be clear how much of the supervisor(s) salary is connected to tutoring and how much is connected to other project parts.
* Other costs for the student, e.g. computer costs, a yearly conference, etc.

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## Specification of Indirect Costs

Specify the percentages used for calculating sought indirect costs (also called overhead costs). Typically, give a percentage for staff costs, a percentage for travel, etc., as appropriate.

*Ensure alignment with the administrating administration’s financial rules.*

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# Publications

## Plan for Publications and Data

Describe the plan for publications, managing and archiving of scientific data, including adherence to metadata standards. Describe the approach to ensuring open access to publications and data.

Please be aware that the SNSA has updated its open access policy, which can be found in the General Terms and Conditions document, available on the webpage of this call.

Publications resulting from all funded projects must be immediately accessible to the public at no cost.

Research data should be as openly available as possible and restricted only when necessary. The Swedish National Space Agency endorses the management of research data in line with the FAIR principles, which are detailed on the VR website.

Note: A data management plan is obligatory for projects receiving funding.

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## List of Publications of the Swedish Team (max 10)

List a **maximum of ten** full references to scientific publications that show the experience of the project team in the subject of the proposal. For publications based on projects fully or partially funded by SNSA, please add the bracket “(funded by SNSA)” after each relevant publication reference.
You can also include links to the ORCID profile of the main applicants in this section, in addition to the list of selected publications.

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# References

List of references cited in the text.