

Q&A

Call for proposals WISE academic projects 3 (ap3)

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Does the call aim at a certain TRL?

The call is not targeting a certain technology readiness level. The call text describes the requirements and expectations for a proposal to be funded.

Can the sustainability effort focus on one particular topic (e.g. LCA)?

No, WISE expects the applicants to make a broad reflection on sustainability.

Can an application have more than one co-PI?

Yes, but the co-PI's roles and complementarity shall be described. Moreover, only CV of 1 academic and 1 sustainability co-applicant should be included in the proposal and will be evaluated. Please note that only the main PI and one sustainability expert will be funded by WISE.

I am curious how to think about these sustainability aspects in the case of fundamental theory developments?

Even if you don't know exactly what applications will be using this theory, choose an example and describe possible outcomes. Try to predict the use area and make sustainability reflections based on that.

Shall materials that are used in the research work be considered?

Materials used in the target application shall be considered when using WISE ASSIST.

How to use the system levels? Is that identical to value chain?

An assessment of sustainability can be made on all system levels.

Should you formulate sustainability in positive or negative terms?

You can choose this yourself, but you need to be clear and consistent in your application what you mean.

Who can access the data I put into WISE ASSIST?

The user and system administrators only. Nothing will be publicly available.

Can I continuously update my input in WISE ASSIST?

Yes, you are encouraged to review and revise your answers when you work with sustainability in your project.

Is input data automatically saved in WISE ASSIST?

Yes and no. Data is automatically saved during the ongoing session. You however need to press “Complete assessment” at the last question of a section to keep save data before logging out to have data available next time you log in.

Can I copy a project in WISE ASSIST if data is similar in two projects?

No, currently this is not possible.

Wood/Bio-based materials

Wood-based materials are not entirely excluded. Research that is conducted in topics that use wood-based materials from a materials science perspective and aim for sustainable solutions to some materials science problems (e.g. electrodes, etc.), is welcome.

However, we do not do basic science that overlaps with WWSC, meaning that research on wood-based materials from a forest materials science perspective (e.g. fundamental research, processes connected to paper making, etc.) is excluded from ap3.

Requisition of the costs for the sustainability expert co-applicant

Reporting and requisitions for AP3 SUS-co-PI are only made from the scientific PI's university. If the SUS-co-PI comes from an organization outside the university, it is the university's responsibility to enter into an agreement with that organization. The requisition instructions will be formulated accordingly and will soon be available on WISE's Intranet.