



Receiver(s): Departments at Faculties at Natural Science and Technical Science, Scientific Coordinators, Research Support Office, Dean's Offices.

VILLUM YOUNG INVESTIGATOR 2023

Link: [Call: Villum Young Investigators | \(veluxfoundations.dk\)](https://veluxfoundations.dk)

Process plan		
Date	Task	Responsible
29 March 2023	<i>Call opens</i>	Villum Foundation
29 March 2023	<i>Process initiation</i> Sending process plan and information to departments.	Dean's Offices at Faculty of Natural Science and Faculty of Technical Science
30 March – 24 April 2023	<i>Identification of and prioritizing possible applicants</i> The RSO can support a limited number of applications. Departments and local scientific coordinators identify and prioritize possible applicants. Applicants for the DFF: Sapere Aude call in March could form a gross list of eligible candidates. The benchmarking provided by the Research Support Office can be used in the process. Where applicable, local pitch sessions should be arranged by the Departments. The pitch sessions should focus on: - research idea (can you build a group around it?) - strong impact (scientific breakthroughs) NB: Applicants may only apply a total of two times (e.g. in 2022 and 2023).	Department management/scientific coordinators/
18 April 2023	<i>Physical information meeting for <u>all potential applicants</u></i> Presentations from:	Research Support Office





	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Villum Foundation - Grantee - Research Support Office <p>The meeting will take place at 12.30-14.00 at AIAS, Høegh-Guldbergs Gade 6B, building 1632, room 301</p> <p>Registration for the information meeting to haugaard@au.dk no later than April 13.</p>	
24 April 2023	<p><i>Deadline</i> for enrolling applicants for RSO support in prioritised order for each department.</p> <p>A prioritized list of identified applicants is sent to Rikke Hartmann Haugaard (haugaard@au.dk) at the Research Support Office.</p>	Department management
24 April 2023	<p><i>Prioritisation of applicants</i></p> <p>By vice-deans for research based on departments' prioritized nominations.</p>	Dean's Offices at Faculty of Natural Science and Faculty of Technical Science
25 April 2023	<p><i>Assigning Research Support Staff</i></p> <p>Based on the list of prioritised applicants, the Research Support Office assigns staff to assist in the application process:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - start up meeting - plan for feedback during the application process - budget 	Research Support Office
From 25 April to deadline 2023	<p><i>Supporting the applicant in the application process</i></p> <p>Support with all aspects of the application:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - formalities - feedback on project description and CV - budget - letter of support <p>Applicants not covered by the above support will receive a budget template and slides from the information meeting.</p> <p>Where available, local peer review procedures will apply.</p>	Research Support Office/Scientific coordinators/Department management



Deadline – June 8, 12:00 noon		
4 September 2023	<i>Scheduling mock interviews</i> Sending out process information to applicants and departments. Booking calendars.	Research Support Office
Primo November 2023	<i>Selected applicants are invited for interviews/unsuccessful applicants notified</i> Urging rejected applicants to contact the Villum Foundation in order to learn what was wrong and what could be improved, and share the information with the Research Support Office.	Villum Foundation Research Support Office
1-7 November 2023	<i>Mock interviews</i> Those applicants who are invited to the interview phase will get an opportunity to present their project in a setting resembling the interview at the Villum Foundation Panel: - former grantees - senior VIP - Research Support Office staff	Research Support Office
8-10 November 2023	<i>Interviews at the Villum Foundation</i>	Villum Foundation
Ultimo December 2023	<i>Approval or rejection of grants</i> Urging rejected applicants to contact the Villum Foundation in order to learn what was wrong and what could be improved.	Villum Foundation Research Support Office
Medio January 2024	<i>Lesson learned</i> - scientific level of applicants and applications - performance at the interviews - how can we improve?	Research Support Office/ Dean's Offices at Faculty of Natural Science and Faculty of Technical Science





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Phase	Responsible	Activity	March	April	May/June	DEADLINE - June 8, 12 noon	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	
BEFORE	Villum	Call opens	29									
	Faculties	Process initiation	29									
	Dep. / faculties	Prioritizing applicants	30 to	24								
	Villum / RSO	Virtual information meeting	18									
	RSO	Assigning RSO staff	25									
DURING		Start up meeting		∞								
		Application										
		- CV		∞	∞							
		- Project description		∞	∞							
		- Budget		∞	∞							
	Departments	- Letter of support		∞	∞							
AFTER	RSO	Scheduling mock interviews						4				
	Villum	Invitations to interview								Primo		
	RSO	Mock interview								1-7		
	Villum	Interviews								8-10		
	Villum	Decision									Ultimo	
	RSO	Lessons learned										Medio

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