

Definition of terms for FWF PROFI programs

Programs in PROFI mode:

Principal Investigator Projects (previously Stand-Alone Projects), 1000 Ideas, Clinical Research (as of July 1, 2023), ESPRIT, International Programs (except ERA-NETs), START

Collaborative programs: Special Research Areas, Research Groups, doc.funds, doc.funds.connect, #ConnectingMinds, Clusters of Excellence, Emerging Fields

Term	Definition
Ad personam	For programs in <i>ad personam</i> mode, the application is submitted by the researcher; if the application is approved for funding, the grant agreement is concluded directly with the researcher. See also <i>PROFI</i>
Annex	Annexes (e.g., academic CVs) must be attached to the project description in the order listed in the program-specific application guidelines and uploaded as part of the file <i>Proposal.pdf</i> .
Applicant	For the sake of simplicity, the intended principal investigators will be referred to as applicants during the application phase. Technically, however, it is the lead research institution who submits the application and is the contractual partner of the FWF (in collaborative programs, partner research institutions are also contractual partners).
Associated research institution (does not currently apply to collaborative programs)	An associated research institution is an Austrian research institution where an associated research partner works. Project-specific funds intended for use by associated research institution(s) are paid out to the associated research institution(s) by the lead research institution.

<p>Associated research partner <i>(does not currently apply to collaborative programs)</i></p>	<p>Associated research partners are researchers working at associated research institutions and who are making a significant scientific/scholarly contribution to the project. The FWF's contractual partner is the lead research institution; associated research partners are paid for their project-specific work by the lead research institution.</p>
<p>Co-author</p>	<p>A co-author is an individual who has made a scientific or significant other contribution to the proposal.</p>
<p>Partner research institution <i>(applies only to collaborative programs)</i></p>	<p>A partner research institution is an Austrian research institution that is involved in the application and where at least one member of the consortium and, if applicable, project staff members work. The lead research institution and partner research institution(s) are contractual partners of the FWF.</p>
<p>Consortium <i>(applies only to collaborative programs)</i></p>	<p>Collaborative programs are headed by a consortium consisting of a coordinator and further consortium members.</p>
<p>Consortium member <i>(applies only to collaborative programs)</i></p>	<p>Collaborative programs are headed by a consortium consisting of a coordinator and further consortium members.</p>
<p>Coordinator <i>(applies only to collaborative programs)</i></p>	<p>The coordinator is the researcher in charge of the project who decides on the use of the funding, heads the consortium, and acts as a contact for the FWF.</p>
<p>Form</p>	<p>When applying online (elane), the applicable forms for the respective program must be completed. For detailed information, please refer to the program-specific application guidelines, the elane user manual, and the elane FAQ.</p>

<p>Grant-salaried principal investigator/consortium member</p>	<p>The salary of grant-salaried principal investigators and, if applicable, consortium members is paid from the project funds. Partial funding is also possible.</p>
<p>International collaboration partner</p>	<p>International collaboration partners can be involved in the implementation of a research project; as a rule, they are not entitled to receive project funding.</p>
<p>Key project participant <i>(previously: team member)</i></p>	<p>Key project participants are individuals who could be subject to a conflict of interest (e.g., with reviewers), i.e.:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Individuals who will be using project funds (e.g. FWF-funded project staff members, associated research partners, etc.) - Individuals whose academic CV has been included in the application - Mentors in the ESPRIT program
<p>Lead research institution</p>	<p>The Austrian research institution that submits the application and where the principal investigator or coordinator works is the lead research institution. The lead research institution is the contractual partner of the FWF (in collaborative programs, partner research institutions are also contractual partners).</p>
<p>National collaboration partner</p>	<p>National collaboration partners can be involved in the implementation of a research project; as a rule, they are not entitled to receive project funding.</p>
<p>Principal investigator <i>(for collaborative programs: coordinator)</i></p>	<p>The principal investigator (PI) is the researcher in charge of the project who decides on the use of the funding. During the application phase, this individual is referred to as the <i>applicant</i>.</p>

PROFI	PROFI stands for “ PRO jektförderung über F orschungs I nstitutionen” (German for: project funding via research institutions). For programs in PROF I mode, applications are submitted by the research institution (lead research institution); if the application is approved for funding, the grant agreement is concluded with the research institution. See also <i>ad personam</i>
Project participant	Project participants are all individuals involved in the project: at the management level (depending on the program either the principal investigator or the consortium) and further project participants.
Project staff member	Project staff members are project participants who are funded through the project or by the research institution.