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# Sweden national rules 2022 – Key Digital Technologies Joint Undertaking (KDT JU)

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Detailed information for Swedish applicants in KDT JU is available at:

Key Digital Technologies JU

## Legal requirements for the eligibility of a partner or a project

## 2.1. Type or nature of participants

Calls are open for public and private companies of all sizes as well as for universities and research institutes in Sweden.

## 2.2. Funding conditions

The costs of all partners specified in the project budget and in the reporting to Vinnova shall harmonize with costs in accordance with the Grant Agreement with KTD JU and the costs reported to KDT JU, respectively.

Only legal entities are eligible for funding, natural persons will not be funded.

## 2.3. Consortium configuration

The total eligible project costs of participating Swedish companies must amount to at least 50% of the aggregated eligible project costs of all Swedish participants in the project consortium.



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### 2.4. Legal, administrative and financial conditions

Participating companies must have fulfilled fiscal obligations and must be able to cover their own expenses for the duration of the project.

- Participating companies must be registered as a limited company in Sweden (Aktiebolag).
- Participating companies must have a permanent establishment in Sweden.
- Project activities must be conducted at sites that belong to a participating company. Project costs must belong to the participating company.
- Participating companies must be registered for employer's contribution.
- Participating companies must have submitted at least two annual reports to the Swedish Companies Registration Office (Bolagsverket).
- The company's most recent annual report/ financial statement should show that net sales or equity correspond to at least 50% of the public funding applied for from Vinnova and KDT JU.

Swedish SMEs must also show that they:

- Have an annual net turnover of at least 1 million SEK according to the latest annual report.
- Have a minimum of three full time employees.

## 2.5. Other conditions – National application

Vinnova's task is to promote sustainable growth and to strengthen Swedish innovation capacity. Our mission is to enable innovation that makes a difference to the planet and to Sweden's economy and prosperity. All projects that Vinnova funds within KDT JU are expected to contribute to this mission. Vinnova stimulates innovation that is sustainable for our environment, for our society and for our economy.

Vinnova will check if the Swedish applicants are eligible considering the national eligibility rules, including Vinnova's terms and conditions for grants. In addition to that, Vinnova will assess the national relevance of the international project proposal based on the information about the Swedish applicant's contribution to the project and national priorities.

Swedish applicants to KDT Calls 2022 do not need to submit a National Part



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with the international project proposal. If the international project proposal is selected for funding in Calls 2022, a Swedish consortium must submit one joint national application to Vinnova.

Participating companies are required to provide a credible description of the project's impact on the company's technological knowledge, economic growth and future assets in Sweden. Participating universities or research institutes are required to provide a credible description of the project's impact on the university's or research institute's scientific and technological knowledge base and positive impact on Swedish society in general. It is important that each partner clearly describes their role in the project, their goals with the project, how they will benefit from the project and added value from international collaboration.

The Swedish consortium needs to specify in the national application to which goals of Agenda 2030 the project contributes to and how the Swedish consortium contributes to the integration of gender equality aspects in the project.

After PAB decision on projects selected for funding in Calls 2022, Vinnova will contact the Swedish applicants to provide a template for the national application and specific information about the submission process.

## 3. Eligible costs and funding rates

#### 3.1. Vinnova's terms and conditions

§ 6.1 (Eligible costs) in Vinnova's terms and conditions for funding is replaced by the eligible costs and the calculation of these specified in the Grant Agreement with KDT JU. Otherwise Vinnova's general terms and conditions for national funding applies. In addition, observe Vinnova's national rules and special conditions for participation in KDT JU applies. For further details, please see the full version of the national eligibility rules in the Vinnova website for the KDT JU Calls 2022.

## 3.2. Funding rates

In the table below the national funding rates for Swedish participants in KDT JU is presented. The funding rates must be within the limits given by <u>State Aid Rules</u>. Please be aware that EU contribution doesn't count as state aid.



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	Large Enterprises	Small and Medium Enterprises	Universities and Research Institutes	Project Coordinator: Universities and Research Institutes
RIA - Research and				
Innovation Action	25%	35%	50%	65%
IA - Innovation Action	20%	30%	50%	65%
Focus Topics	25%	35%	50%	65%

#### 3.3. Additional information and other conditions

- Maximum Vinnova contribution to one project is limited to 2 000 000 €.
- The maximum funding from Vinnova for a single large enterprise, university and research institute is equivalent to 1 000 000 €.
- The maximum funding from Vinnova for a small and medium enterprise is equivalent to  $500\ 000\ \epsilon$ .
- Vinnova use the exchange rate for Euro/SEK of the ECB on the date of KDT JU call FPP phase deadline.