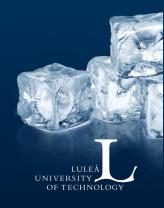


# INCLUSIVE FUNDING FOR ENHANCED IMPACT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES

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#### What

Analysis of a process of designing digitalized tools for inclusive funding, involving four Swedish funding agencies and an NGO of SSH researchers

#### Why

Expand the knowledge on how societal impact of social sciences and humanities (SSH) can be enhanced through public funding of research and innovation

#### How

Participatory research design with joint knowledge development by researchers and funding agencies



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### Challenge

Shared challenge to attract a broader range of SSH researchers to apply for R&I funding, to enhance insights and innovations for societal challenges

#### **Solution**

Identify excluding/including mechanisms towards SSH researchers in calls for funding Develop digital tools to guide the design of inclusive calls

# The call process

Topdown/Bottomup Team formation Purpose(s)

**Initiation** 

Problem descriptions
Disciplinary terms
Priority order

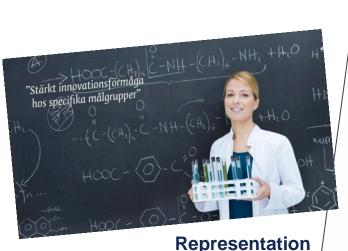
**Formulation** 

Contact networks
Channels
Purpose, terms, order

Communication

Evaluation criteria Review committees Motivations

**Decision** 





## The digital tools

Guide the user through queries regarding:

Present and potential diversity among applicants, reviewers, agency staff, etc.

Formulation and communication of call texts, assessment criteria and reviewer instructions











# **Conclusions**

By underlining the need for simultaneous changes of practical call design and strategic organizational frameworks, the developed tools reflect the crucial interplay between established procedures/norms and individual/collective empowerment in societal impact

When attempting to make the funding more inclusive towards underrepresented groups, conflicts may arise in relation both to other missions and tasks of the agencies, and to conservative attitudes among agency managers, staff and other stakeholders

Neither the identified mechanisms nor the designed tools consider how SSH impact may be enhanced through concrete interaction with users/stakeholders from various societal sectors

