

INVITATION TO THE CONFERENCE

On 9 June, 2022, an international conference on “**The role of research funding organisations in a shifting world**” will be held in Tartu.

Organising the conference is the Estonian Research Council that is celebrating its 10th year anniversary this year. The main topic of the gathering will be the role of research funding organisations in a shifting world and all the burning issues relating to it, such as the role and influence of society, issues with international co-operation, and guaranteeing sustainability.

THE IMPACT OF RESEARCH FUNDING ORGANISATIONS ON SCIENCE AND SOCIETAL PROCESSES

Modern science is interdisciplinary, demanding a complex infrastructure and data management systems. Any researcher has to be versatile and beyond creating scientific content, has to juggle the skills of forming a research team, managing projects, guaranteeing a new generation of scientists by providing them with supervision and studies, consulting politicians and officials, popularising science and informing the public. **What is the role of the funder in all this?**

THE ROLE OF RESEARCH FUNDING ORGANISATIONS IN PROMOTING INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION FOR SUPPORTING NATIONAL GOALS

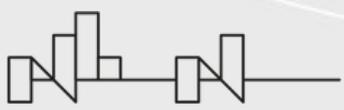
Thanks to the cooperation with Nordic and Baltic countries, Estonia has managed - in a relatively short time - to become integrated into the European international co-operation network of scientific research and is collaborating with several other countries. **Each country has its own purposes and experiences, the question is: how to make choices that increase synergies?**

GUARANTEEING SUSTAINABILITY OF SCIENTIFIC SYSTEMS BY INCREASING FUNDING AND MAKING IT MORE ATTRACTIVE TO PURSUE A CAREER IN SCIENCE

Research funding organisations have to be in tune with society's shifting needs while simultaneously offering researchers the possibility to do stable and systematic research. They have to consider the needs of researchers, research facilities, policy makers, entrepreneurs, and society's needs in general. **How to be simultaneously agile and stable?**

Among the attendees we are expecting to see research funding organisations, research administrators and researchers.

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