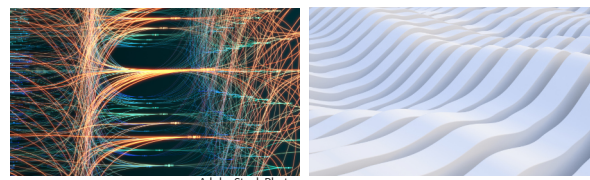


# Pilot Call 2022 Empirical Social Sciences

**Empirical Social Sciences – Quantitative Data Research 2022** is a pilot project call of the Vienna Science and Technology Fund (WWTF). It is open to

- researchers and scientists at universities and non-university research institutions in Vienna, including those moving to Vienna;
- who seek to conduct a cutting-edge research project (2 to 4 years) in research fields that address current, socially relevant questions based on quantitative methods and by using large, high-quality data sets.
- Project proposals should make use of new data sets – either by their creation, by accessing new sources (such as the Austrian Microdata Center) or by linking exiting data to answer innovative research questions.
- The proposed research should use Austrian data and/or have relevance for Austrian/Viennese.
- Proposals should address fundamental scientific questions and thus contribute to the international academic state-of-the art.
- Proposals from interdisciplinary research teams are highly encouraged.
- A total of € 3 million has been dedicated to this call. The funding range per project is € 250,000 to € 600,000 (Joint projects up to € 650,000).



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More information on  
Joint projects between  
Vienna and Lower  
Austria

**This is a two-stage call. Short proposals must be submitted by October 6, 2022. Upon invitation, full proposals must be submitted by February 15, 2023.**

All interested parties are cordially invited to an online Proposers' Day on June 23, 2022, 1pm (online).

*More details on the reverse side*

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## Empirical Social Sciences

### Quantitative Data Research



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This call targets cutting-edge research projects that address current, socially relevant questions using quantitative methods and large, high-quality data sets.

**Funding** The total budget allocated to this call is € 3 million

**Schedule** Deadline for Short Proposals: October 6, 2022 at 2pm  
Deadline for Full Proposals (upon invitation only): February 15, 2023 at 2 pm

*Note that this is a two-stage selection process; full proposals are only accepted upon invitation. The funding decision is expected in May/June 2023.*

Empirical Social Sciences

#### WWTF provides funding for scientific projects which

- address clearly-framed, innovative, hypothesis-driven research questions in concordance with large data sets;
- make use of larger quantitative data sets to answer the research questions. Qualitative research as well as research that is based on small data sets is not eligible for funding;
- can be based in any scientific discipline. However, the research questions must address current societal issues from areas such as economics, education, demographics, firms, innovation, labour, media, migration, political systems, public health (no clinical or pharmaceutical research). Collaboration across different scientific disciplines in striving for a comprehensive understanding of the topic is highly welcomed;
- use new data sets to answer the research questions, e.g. by taking advantage of the new possibilities of the Austrian Microdata Center or new, extensive panels and surveys (that are developed for the purpose of the proposed project or are currently in the making by others). Furthermore, projects may use large data sets from other sources (administrative data, „big data“, etc.);
- promote international visibility and innovative quantitative research to further empirical social science research in Vienna and Austria;
- consider and explain potential sex-specific and gender-related aspects;
- span over 2–4 years and can be achieved with funding in the range of € 250,000 up to € 600,000.

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For more details about this call,  
please visit our website