Text of email sent to faculties regarding the Swedish Research Council's needs inventory 2025

Email subject:

VR needs inventory research infrastructure 2025 – process and timeline UMU

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To: Dekaner, kanslichefer, forskningsdekaner, RIS-ledamöter, handläggare vid fakulteterna, LH och UB

Hej!

Vänligen dela följande information inom era fakulteter/organisationer (original email containing text in both Swedish and English)

It is soon time for the Swedish Research Council's (VR's) needs inventory of research infrastructure, which is conducted every other year with the aim of identifying needs for new research infrastructure of national interest. The outcome of the needs inventory is then used as the basis for the VR's Council for Research Infrastructure (RFI) targeted call for applications for funding of research infrastructure, and is part of VR's strategic work with research infrastructure.

This year's inventory period is 1 October 2025 (14.00/2 p.m.) -3 November 2025 (14.00/2 p.m.).

In the subsequent prioritisation process, UMU can highlight both national and local needs that would improve research in Sweden were they to be addressed by a national initiative.

This means that UMU must have a well-functioning process for identifying areas to be prioritized by the university. A compilation of proposals involving UMU researchers will therefore be discussed by the Council for Research Infrastructure (RIS) and FOSTRA's October meeting.

Therefore, we ask all research groups that plan to submit proposals to the needs inventory to send them to <u>researchinfrastructure@umu.se</u> no later than September 30, 2025.

The descriptions of the submitted proposals must follow RFI's instructions, which will be published in September.

RFI is also planning to a digital information meeting on September 25, 2025. <u>More information can be found on the Swedish Research Council's</u> website.

Research infrastructures that are receiving grants from the Swedish Research Council that end during 2027 or 2028 and that plan to apply under the upcoming call for grants to research infrastructure of national interest also need to submit a proposal.

Please let me know if you have any questions!

Best wishes

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