

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

CEMES RESEARCH GROUPS 2023

Call for applications to form Research Groups under the Centre for Modern European Studies – An Öresund Network of Lund University, Malmö University and University of Copenhagen

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The Centre for Modern European Studies (CEMES) now calls for applications to establish Research Groups of researchers based on participation of researchers from a minimum of two and preferably all three of the partner institutions. These are the Joint Faculties of Humanities and Theology (Lund University) and the Faculty of Culture and Society (Malmö University) and Faculties of Humanities and Theology (University of Copenhagen).

CEMES promotes and supports research on modern Europe in an increasingly globalized world. The Centre aims to explore the last centuries' political, cultural and intellectual transformation of Europe as well Europe's relations with other regions in the world. CEMES actively coordinates and develops research and education on European issues based on a broad interdisciplinary and collaborative approach to the area. CEMES provides platforms for researchers to do research on the CEMES research themes which include research on modern European matters within and across the fields of history, culture, media, politics, international relations, religions, philosophy, arts and literature, among others.

The research groups should address one or several key themes within the studies of modern Europe. They should have an interdisciplinary perspective and attempt to integrate the different research environments of the partner universities. They can have one or several leaders.

Research Groups

The Research Groups will receive an annual support grant from CEMES of 40000 DKK, which they will be free to spend on academic activities falling within the centre's research themes (above) and within the regulations of the home university(ies) of the research group director and coordinators. They will run for a three-year period (plus the remainder of 2023), and the lump sum must be spent within the calendar year but will be automatically renewed each year for the three-year period. The groups will be key drivers of the centre's activities and contribute to the coordination and development of its research.

A Research Group develops research networks and organizes academic events on an ongoing basis.

Such events **should** include:

- Internal group seminars and workshops to build up the network between the partner universities
- The use of the research group as a platform on the CEMES homepage and on social media to attract international researchers, possible Marie Skłodowska-Curie fellowships and generally increase awareness about research activities happening at the three partner universities.

Moreover, they **could** include:

- International conferences and seminars
 - Book launches or “Author meets critic”-events
 - Public lectures
 - Research-based activities for students
- Preparatory workshops for applications for external funding

6 months after the establishment of the Research Group, the group must prepare a set of long-term objectives for the group which is then sent to the CEMES Steering Committee. The nature of these objectives may differ depending on the composition and interests of the researchers of the Research Group and are not supposed to be definitive, but merely to provide a degree of transparency about how the funding will be spent. They can be modified within the grant period. Finally, if the activities of a research groups stops for an extended period of time, the CEMES steering group may close it down before the end of the funding period.

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How to apply

Applications should be 5-10 pages and should include:

- name of the proposed research group
- mission statement and research themes and a description of how these resonate with those of CEMES. (Maximum 1 page)
- description of 1-3 activities planned for 2023 as well as a sketch description of future activities planned for 2024.
- names and short CVs of one director and up to three coordinators.
- list of members (who have consented to join) from at least two and preferably all of the three CEMES partner institutions.

Applications must be submitted electronically as one PDF-file to the CEMES coordinator Emil Eiby Seidenfaden (ees@hum.ku.dk).

Deadline for submission of applications: 6 September 2023, 23.59