# Mall för ansökan om kompetenscentrum

*Ansökan ska skrivas i denna mall och rubrikerna sammanfattar vad en ansökan till Energimyndighetens utlysning om kompetenscentrum ska innehålla.*

*Ansökan får inte överskrida 25 A4 sidor med 11 punkters text (Times New Roman). Huvudrubrikerna ska följas strikt, men underrubrikerna och denna inledande beskrivande text kan tas bort.*

*Eftersom ansökan kommer att bedömas av en internationell bedömarpanel så bör ansökan om möjligt skrivas på engelska. Rubrikerna i mallen är därför skrivna på engelska. Svensk översättning av rubrikerna lämnas på begäran.*

*Information om bedömningskriterier och bedömningsprocessen framgår av den fullständiga utlysningstexten.*

## Application Title:

## Background and existing activities in the field

1. Provide a brief introduction to the proposed competence centre, highlighting its relevance to a sustainable, fossil-free energy system.
2. Present a well-founded analysis of the energy system’s current challenges and vulnerabilities and justify the proposed research focus based on this analysis.
3. Describe the work by the stakeholders in the selected research field, provide examples of relevant publications, patents, etc.
4. Describe existing international collaborations and competing international activities in relation to the proposed centre.
5. Describe the research and innovation needs, challenges and opportunities within the chosen research area, in relation to the goals of the call.

## Vision, strategy and goals

1. Describe your vision and your strategy for achieving it, expressed in the medium-term (5-10 years) and long-term (> 10 years, i.e. after the support from the Energy Agency) for the competence centre.
2. Define measurable, concrete, and reasonably ambitious goals.
3. Describe how the centre will contribute to education by supporting PhD students and postdocs, and by integrating research results into academic programmes.
4. Describe the needs and benefits for the involved stakeholders from the private and public sectors who participate in the centre.
5. Describe how the goals and thematic focus areas for the 2027–2031 period are aligned with the priorities outlined in the Energy Research and Innovation Proposition (EFOI) and the Energy Policy Direction Proposition (EPIP).

## Implementation and outcomes

1. Describe how you plan to follow-up your work and measure impacts
2. Describe methods and concrete measures for how the results from the centre will be transferred out into the system, e.g. academic programmes/training, through mobility and by contributing to effective innovation ecosystems
3. Describe the scope of the preliminary project portfolio
4. Report the timetable and milestones – what do you want to achieve by different points in time. The first years should include a rather concrete plan with actions to be implemented
5. Describe in brief the long-term (>10 years) potential for maintaining the operations that are established.

## The structure of the competence centre

1. Describe the organisational structure and how the participating actors cover relevant value chains.
2. Clarify how the centre complements existing competence centres and contributes to new networks.
3. Explain how the composition of participating stakeholders - for example the balance between small, medium and large enterprises - contributes to the relevance, impact and implementation of the centre’s activities.
4. Describe the leadership structure and competences of the management team, including how leadership will be implemented across the organisation and its sub-processes.
5. Describe how the activities in the centre are proposed to be initiated and the process of decision-making at the competence centre.
6. Describe how the centre will be internationally competitive and how it will develop and scale up international collaborations and mobility.
7. Describe how gender equality and diversity will be integrated into the centre’s organisation and activities, including leadership and management composition.

## Stakeholders

1. Present the participating stakeholders included in the competence centre and their collective expertise, profiles and resources. Write the name of the organisation followed by the persons. Attach CV’s of all the listed persons with the application (use form).

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| Name of organisation and involved persons | Gender (M/F) | Position | Role in the centre |
| Name of organisation 1 |  |  |  |
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| Name of organisation 2 |  |  |  |
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1. All involved stakeholders, except for the main applicant, should specify their commitments in the form of co-financing and reasons for participating in the competence centre. This is to be done through separate letters of intent (use form).
2. The main applicant should in a letter of intent describe the proposed competence centre in relation to long-term research strategy and innovation environment at the university/research institute (use form).
3. Describe how the composition of competences reflects the current research area, how it offers the potential for realizing the competence centre's vision and goals, and how the various stakeholders complement each other to achieve a dynamic research and innovation environment.

## Financial plan

1. Present a financial plan that demonstrates tripartite funding from the Swedish Energy Agency, academia/research institutes, and industry/public sector. It is recommended that the budget for the first year be approximately half of that allocated for each subsequent year.
2. Describe the overall general budget of the centre including the distribution over the years and indicate the contribution by the different stakeholders. Divide the budget on centre management and project funds. Project funds can be divided in work packages or research topics.
3. Describe the proposed revenue budget of the centre over the years, divided on the Energimyndigheten grant and the different stakeholders.

## Supporting Documents

Include the following mandatory appendices:

1. CVs for the project leader and key personnel (max 2 A4 each)
2. Declarations of participation and co-financing (LOI)
3. Budget in Excel