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Call for collaborative postdoc projects linked to SUCCeSS

Stockholm University Center for Circular and Sustainable Systems (SUCCeSS) is a new center and virtual meeting place for broad transdisciplinary research, in collaboration with industry and policymakers. We now open a call for 2-year postdoc positions financed by SUCCeSS, with the aim to initiate and stimulate collaborations across disciplines at SU on circular and sustainable systems. We invite collaborative proposals addressing research contributing to any of the three focus research areas of SUCCeSS:

- Circular processing
- Sustainable food and water systems
- Data driven circular and sustainable design.

Early-career PIs (<12 years since PhD) can apply for hosting a post doc, with collaborative funding for a 2-year post doc position and some running costs (max 1 MSEK/year). The call will fund a maximum of three post doc positions.

Evaluation of the applications will be done by external experts and by the SUCCeSS Executive Committee based on,

- (1) Scientific quality
- (2) Level of novelty and cross-disciplinary collaboration
- (3) Strategic relevance for SU and SUCCeSS.

The numbering reflects the order to importance.

The call aims to support new cross-disciplinary collaborations/teams; already established and ongoing collaborations with co-publications and/or joint projects may only be funded if the novelty of the research is justified sufficiently. Collaboration with non-academic stakeholders is encouraged. It is preferred that both PIs are <12 years since PhD, but senior people can participate as collaborators.

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We expect the successful PIs and SUCCeSS-funded postdocs to actively engage in and contribute to SUCCeSS activities and developments. The applicants should suggest some activities that they would like to take forward within SUCCeSS if the project is funded.

For more information about SUCCeSS and the research focus areas, please see www.su.se/success

The application should have at least two responsible PIs from different departments or centers and include:

- A short project description of the planned collaborative project. The relation to sustainable and circular systems and preferably SUCCeSS focus areas as Circular processing, Sustainable food and water systems, and Data driven circular and sustainable design should be clear (max 2 pages).
- A short description (1 page) that includes the following:
 - a) A description of which kind of competence the post doc is expected to have, how the collaboration within the project will be carried out and any potential training and/or support the post doc needs to work in the interdisciplinary research project.
 - b) A description of any previous collaborative projects the applying PIs have had before
 - c) Suggestions of activities that the PIs and the post doc plan in order to impact the development of SUCCeSS.
- Short CV (max 2 pages each including list of 10 relevant publications) for the responsible PIs.

The announcement for and employment of the post doc position should be handled at the department of one of the PIs, according to SU's rules for postdoctoral positions. The funding should be requisitioned afterwards from SUCCeSS each year in November. A scientific report (max 1 page) and an economic report should be submitted to SUCCeSS at the time of requisitioning of the funding. The project has to be finished at the latest 3 years after funding approval in April 2022. Max 20% overhead can be withdrawn as SUCCeSS funding is considered as internal grants.

For questions, contact SUCCeSS Directors
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Applications should be sent as one single pdf document to SUCCeSS administration (info.success@su.se) the latest on 28 February 2022. Write "Postdoc application" in the subject line.

Time plan:

- Deadline for application February 28, 2022
- Decision on funding in 10 April 2022
- Accumulated project costs are requisitioned yearly in November, with a scientific half-time report at the latest November 30, 2023 and a scientific final report December 20, 2024.