

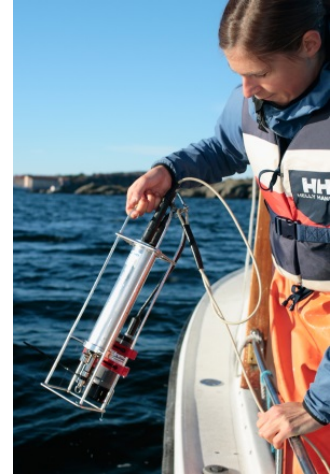
# The Swedish Research Council Formas

*Stakeholder involvement and impact focus*



# Formas

- Environment
- Agricultural Sciences
- Spatial Planning



# Formas missions

- Research Funding
  - Strategy, Evaluation, Analysis
  - Communication
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- Initiate and support national and international cooperation
  - **Make research results useful**

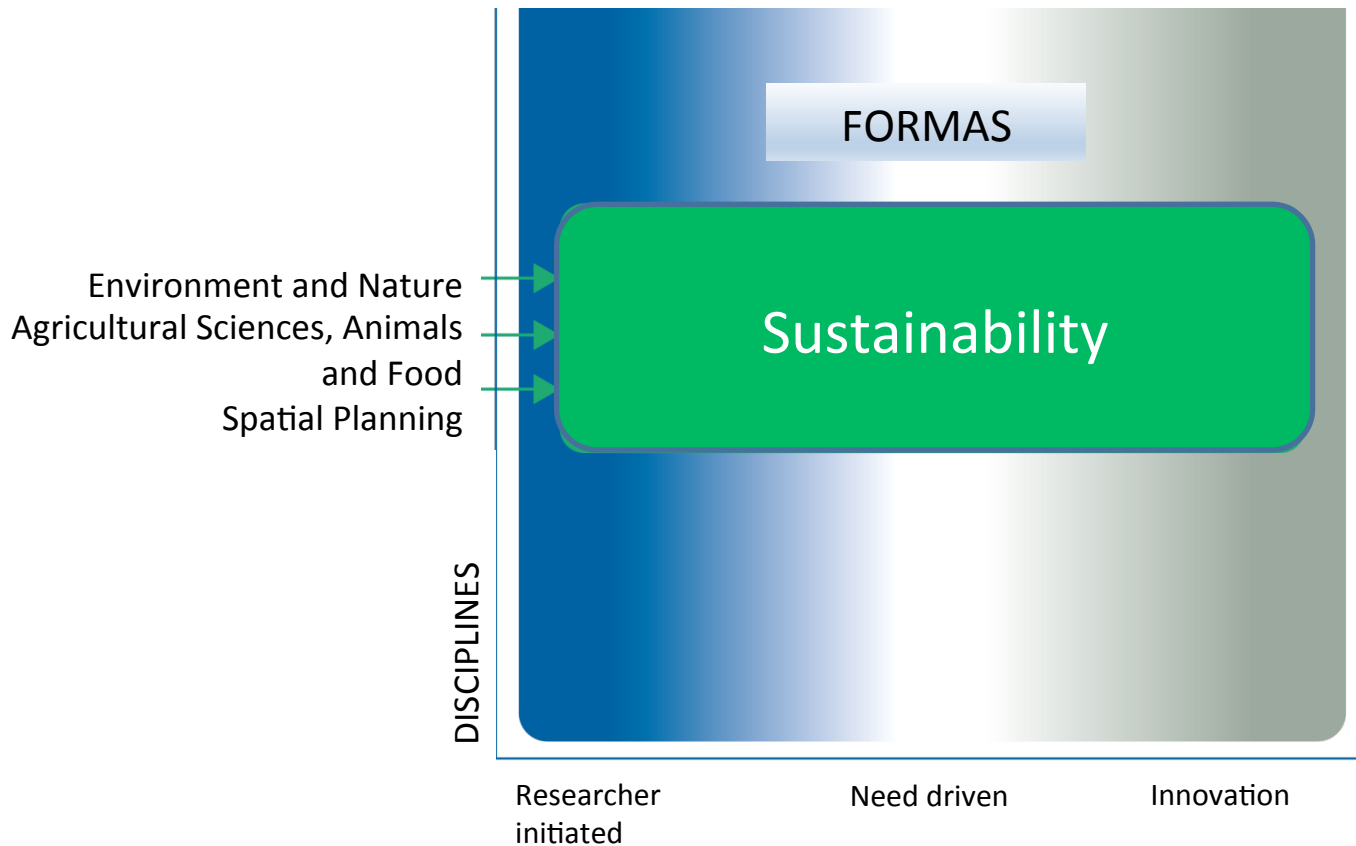


# Formas tasks

- Sustainable development
- Basic Science
- Applied Science
- Highest scientific quality
- Relevance for Society
- Make research results useful



# Formas in the funding landscape of Sweden



# Formas' funding instruments

- **Annual open call**  
bottom-up, all Formas' areas of responsibility
  
- **Focused calls**  
programs, strategic calls, international cooperation

# Formas in cooperation

- Cooperation with
  - other funding bodies - national and international
  - industry and stakeholders
- Systemic approaches
  - basic research needs → innovation

# Stakeholder involvement

## **All projects**

- International partners are welcome
- Partners from industry are welcome
- Users of research results in review panels

## **Focused calls**

- Stakeholder involvement in preparation of call
- Stakeholder involvement in projects



# Focus on impact

## Formas Evaluation Criteria

- Research Question
- Method and Performance
- Scientific Competence
- Societal value
- Communication with stakeholders/end users



Focus on  
end users

# To make research results useful

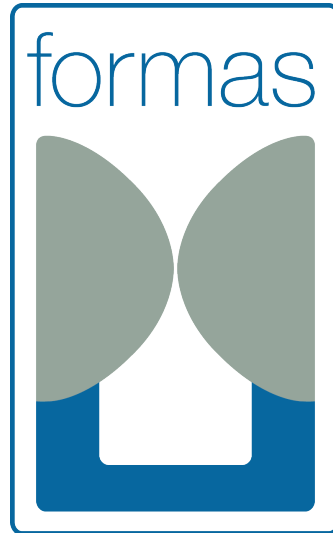
- **Growing trend**
- Impact is the most important criterion in Horizon 2020
- Focus on societal challenges

# To make research results useful

- **Formas intends**

- to develop new funding instruments to increase cooperation between researchers and the surrounding society
- to support platforms for dialogue and cooperation between researchers, users and other interested partners
- to develop more flexible funding instruments that support mobility between universities and the surrounding society
- To promote new ways to communicate research

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