

## CALL

### CMES research initiation

*The Centre for Advanced Middle Eastern Studies (CMES) supports research with high scientific potential through the Strategic Research Area (SRA): Middle East in the Contemporary World (MECW). CMES offers seed money for research initiation and preparation of applications for national and international research calls. The aim is to facilitate initial scholarly work and collaboration on the Middle East during retreats at the CMES to prepare project applications. Four such project application retreats will be granted during the autumn of 2021. CMES offers office space and modern research facilities in a stimulating work environment on historic premises. Administrative, practical, and technical support is available on site.*

- **Applicant:** Employed at Lund University.
- **Grant period:** Autumn 2021-Spring 2022
- **Application deadline:** 14 June 2021
- **Budget:** Specified costs for work time at CMES and other related costs necessary for preparing application
- **Submission:** [ansokan@cme.lu.se](mailto:ansokan@cme.lu.se)
- **Notification of decision:** 23 June 2021

#### Instructions

It is important that the application is complete. Incomplete applications will not be considered eligible for funding. Proposal should be written in English, Times New Roman, font size 12, single line spacing.

The application must include the following sections:

#### A. Cover page

- B. **Description of research and tentative application** (max 3 pages) explaining the rationale, aims, and research activities (seminars, workshop, other academic meetings, networking). Relevant timeline and dates should also be specified. The application is assessed according to quality, relevance, feasibility, and scholarly contribution to international research front.
- C. **Budget** should specify estimated costs for work time and other related costs, including a brief justification of costs (maximum 100 000 kr). The salaries are to be calculated based on monthly salary plus employer benefits. Indirect costs (OH) are not to be included in the budget. Indirect costs at Lund University and faculty level are automatically added to the requested funds. Overhead is not paid to the departments as CMES provides the workspace and administrative services. The grant is managed by the financial officer at CMES.
- D. **CV** (1 page) and **list of publications** (10 most important ones) of the applicant
- E. **Statement:** The applicant should ensure that the research is compatible with the [ethical guidelines of the Swedish Research Council](#) and that ethical review is carried if necessary.

### **Decision**

Applications that fulfil the conditions stated above are assessed by CMES management. Applicants will be informed by letter 23 June. Successful applicants are obliged to provide a brief report and the draft research application after the grant has been used.

If you have questions or need further information, please contact:

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*We look forward to receiving your application!*