

Dear NOS-HS and NOP-HS project leaders

4 June 2021

Significant changes to NOS-HS funding starting 1 January 2022

NOS-HS secretariat moves to NordForsk: Take care of administrative matters by 30 June

As of January 2022, the NOS-HS secretariat will transfer form Academy of Finland to NordForsk in Norway. Until now, the NOS-HS secretariat has been hosted by different Nordic research councils for four years at a time. NordForsk will become a permanent host.

Thus, as of 1 January 2022 all administration concerning workshop projects and journal grants (e.g. invoicing, reporting, extensions to funding periods) will be handled by the NOS-HS secretariat at NordForsk. NOS-HS secretariat at NordForsk will also organise the annual NOS-HS Exploratory Workshop call in early 2022.

Payments of annual instalments for 2022 will be made from NordForsk in the beginning of 2022. This includes:

- ongoing NOS-HS workshop grants with an annual instalment for 2022
- new funding decisions form the NOS-HS Exploratory workshop call 2021 •
- new funding decisions from the NOP-HS Journal grant call 2021.

Project leaders with ongoing or new projects will receive more detailed instructions in late autumn 2021.

Take care of administrative matters by 30 June 2021

NOS-HS secretariat at Academy of Finland is in charge of all administrative matters in 2021. Kindly note that all pending invoicing, reporting, extension requests or other requests must be submitted by 30 June 2021 to secure smooth transition.

If any changes to granted funding are necessary, see instructions on the NOS-HS website under Project administration tab. Note extension requests must always be made before the end of the funding period.

NOP-HS journal grant funding will cease, but ongoing projects can apply for funding until the end of 2023

The NOP-HS Journal grant call for 2021 will be the last call in this form. In the future, NOS-HS will look for alternative forms of promoting Nordic open access publishing in the humanities and the social sciences. This work has started this spring with a mapping of operational landscape of Nordic journals in the field of humanities and social sciences. The report will be published on the NOS-HS website in late June.

Last NOP-HS Journal grant call open in September for ongoing projects

The last NOP-HS Journal grant call will be open 1–22 September 2021 on the Academy of Finland online services. In this last call, NOP-HS wants to fund journals with NOP-HS funding to secure them a transfer to activities without NOP-HS funding.

The call will be targeted to journals that have received a positive NOP-HS funding decision (for one or two years) with an annual instalment for 2021. They thus have a funding decision for the years 2020–2021, 2021 or 2021-2022.

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Funded NOP-HS journals planning to apply for funding in the 2021 call must invoice all funding by the end of June. The applications must meet all review criteria. They must be well written, competitive and comparable.

See more in the NOP-HS journal grant call text 2021. Please note the specific instructions in Appendix 8 of the call text.

Further information

Please forward this advance information to your administration for information.

Regarding secretariat transfer, we will update necessary instructions on our website, tab Move to NordForsk. Project leaders will receive detailed instructions by email in autumn. Please keep us updated with any changes to email and other contact information.

Regarding NOP-HS Journal grant call 2021, see contact points for enquiries in the call text, published on the Calls for funding tab.

We are glad to help if you have any further questions.

NOS-HS secretariat/Academy of Finland until 31 December 2021

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