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Mentor4Research Application 2015

It's really easy to apply. It will only take 20–30 minutes and involves answering the 13 questions below.

Application period and programme duration

The application period is open now. The last date to submit applications is 31 October 2014. The programme will run for the most part of a calendar year. The first of the joint regional meetings – the Kick-Off – will be held in January/February and the final national meeting – the Concluding Conference – will be at the end of October/beginning of November.

Who can apply?

Researchers who meet the following criteria may apply to the programme:

- Researchers at Chalmers, Linköping University, KI, KTH, SLU, SU and Uppsala University
- Researchers in and around Stockholm, Uppsala, Linköping and Gothenburg
- Researchers ranging from older, experienced professors to PhD students who are half way to being ready to defend their thesis
- Researchers in research fields where commercialisation potential exists
- Researchers with a strong interest in but little experience of commercialisation
- Researchers who want to gain insights into the areas that the Mentor4Research programme is focusing on (understanding the logistics of the business sector, increasing industry contacts, making an initial assessment of the commercialisation potential of their research)
- Researchers with a genuine interest in working with an experienced mentor within the structure of the Mentor4Research programme
- Researchers who will prioritise dedicating time (minimum of 40 – 80 hours) to participate in the programme activities
- Researchers who are conducting their own research (the programme is not designed for researchers who are supporting the research of others, e.g. to improve the innovation system etc.)

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How do I apply?

Applying for Mentor4Research is very easy – it shouldn't take more than 20–30 minutes. Brief, concise responses are encouraged – no long answers please.

To apply, copy and paste the questions below into an email and write your responses to each question in the email. To save time spent on programme administration, we would like you to write your answers directly in the email (do not attach any Word, PDF files etc.) Send your email to mentor2015@mentor4research.com

1. Why are you interested in having a mentor? What are your expectations of your mentor?
2. In which field are you conducting research today? Briefly, what are your thoughts today about the commercialisation potential of your research?
3. What type of support and advice do you believe you need in order to successfully commercialise your research?
4. What research have you conducted in the past?
5. Where are you based today?
6. How are you currently financing your research?
7. How much research commercialisation is taking place today within your team/department? What is the attitude towards commercialisation within your team/department?
8. What previous experience do you have of commercialising research?
9. How much time can you dedicate to the Mentor4Research programme?
10. What is your background/education? Previous employment etc.?
11. Which category do you belong to (PhD student, post-doc, researcher, professor, other)?
12. How did you hear about the Mentor4Research programme?
13. What is your contact information (email, landline and mobile phone, street address, postal address)?

How will I know if I have been accepted?

We will select the researchers moving on to the next stage at the end of October. The relevant Regional Programme Coordinator will then conduct personal interviews with the researchers who are moving on. Next there will be an intense process of identifying and matching the selected researchers with mentors.

It is important to find the right mentor for the right researcher and therefore not all of the researchers selected will be able to participate in the programme. The goal is to find a mentor as

soon as possible. You will find out no later than the week before Christmas if you have been assigned a mentor.

We look forward to receiving your email application!