

# Call for Mission projects

## Mission Improving the Well-being of children and youth (INWELL)

With this call we invite researchers at Aalborg University to submit proposals for mission projects that contribute to improving children's and young people's physical, mental and social wellbeing by 2040. Thus, a mission project must respond to a key challenge for the well-being of children and youth with an ambitious yet realistic objective for research and innovation that requires interdisciplinary and cross-sectorial collaboration. The proposal can be written in Danish or English.

**Proposals for mission projects should be limited to 5 pages of 15.000 characters (including spaces, tables and table- or figure texts) in Times New Roman font size 12:**

- **A title** of the mission project and descriptions of:
- **The challenge, the boldness of the mission project and realistic goal(s)** including how it will contribute to improving the physical, mental and social wellbeing of children and youth through innovative solutions that are inspirational and have societal relevance (state-of-the-art)
- **The research and innovation activities** of the mission project and how they can lead to the suggested goal(s) indicated in a realistic time plan and with suggestions for how goals can be measured/evaluated scientifically. It is important to clarify how research contributes to innovation, results and potential effects on children and young people's wellbeing and vice versa: how innovation can contribute to development of new knowledge.
- **The interdisciplinary collaboration** behind the mission project and why it is suitable for the mission project; the researchers involved in the mission project (names and positions), their affiliation to relevant environments at Aalborg University (research group, department, faculty) as well as how the mission project is managed and organized.
- **The external collaborations** needed for enabling the research and innovation activities e.g., external partners and actors in society and research partners in DK and internationally.
- **The relevant sources for funding and a funding plan.**

**In addition:**

- **A short list of references (max. 1 page)**
- **A brief CV of key researcher(s) (PIs/Co-PIs)** who are key to realizing the mission project and are responsible for collaboration with the mission management and the mission Partner Board **(max. 2 pages including 5 key publication and link to VBN)**

**Proposals for mission project should be submitted no later than May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024**, to Niels Bech Lukassen, Head of the mission secretariat [mission@aaau.dk](mailto:mission@aaau.dk), to whom questions regarding the call and the submission can also be addressed.

### The process of selecting mission projects

The mission management with the mission Partner Board are responsible that the mission projects contribute to the overall mission and that mission projects meet the above-mentioned requirements. The timeline for the process for selecting is as follows:

- **June 2024:** Presentation of proposals for mission projects in mission Partner Board
- **June/August 2024:** Feedback and dialogue with all PIs/Co-PIs of a mission project proposal.
- **August 2024:** Announcement of selected mission projects for startup September 2024, or for a process of maturation for startup in 2025.

**The portfolio of mission projects will progressively be developed.**