# VISTA Centers

# for Interdisciplinary Research on Energy transition

# Call 2024

# PROPOSED RESEARCH PLAN FOR

**(VISTA Center for [Name of center in English])**

1. *Center leader:*
2. *Host institution:*
3. *Host department:*
4. *Project start date: dd.mm.yyyy*
5. *Project end date: dd.mm.yyyy*

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| *Please adhere to the space limitations as outlined below. Please use Calibri as the font and set the font size to 11. Text exceeding the space limits and/or any documents not specifically asked for in the call text will not be included in the evaluation process.*  |

1. **Thematic area**

*Under which of the following two thematic headings should the application be placed:*

[ ] **ENERGY TRANSITION SOLUTIONS**

[ ] **PUBLIC POLICIES AND CITIZEN ENGAGEMENT**

1. **Proposal summary (max ½ page - may be made public if grant is awarded)**

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1. **Vision and objectives (max. ½ page)**

*Vision statement and primary and secondary objectives of the center.*

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1. **Research plan for the five year period (max. 2½ pages)**
* *Account for the research opportunities that will be pursued and why these are best pursued within the framework of a VISTA-center.*
* *Provide an overview of the planned research activities and milestones.*
* *Account for any foreseen ethical and environmental considerations and how these are planned to be handled.*

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1. **Competences, methods and integration (max 2½ pages)**
2. **Core competences and methodology**
* *Describe the core competence of the research team, including principal investigators, and how these competences relate to the methodologies that will be applied.*
* *Comment on any new research collaborations that will be enabled by the establishment of the center.*
* *If relevant, please describe the available infrastructure.*

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*Please attach brief CVs for the center leader and the principal investigators. Utilize the* [*CV template*](https://www.forskningsradet.no/siteassets/utlysninger/vedlegg-utlysninger/template-for-cv-researchers.docx) *provided by the Research Council of Norway. Make sure to highlight the most significant publications. Each CV should be limited to a maximum of four pages.*

1. **Scientific leadership, integration and management**
* *How does the center plan to promote integration and cross-boundary collaboration?*
* *How will the center be organized, including the roles of the center leader, principal investigators and management team?*
* *How does the center fit into the overall strategy of the host institution?*
* *What prior experience does the center leader have in managing large-scale research projects?*
* *How will the gender equality be advanced?*

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1. **External research cooperation (max. 1 page)**
* *Describe how the center's international research cooperation will be attended to (including existing or planned international competitive funding).*
* *Describe collaboration with international and national research groups and other ways of international collaboration both with academic researchers and industry.*
* *Describe plans for international and national mobility of researchers (going abroad, visiting other labs and inviting researchers to the center), including center staff, and post docs, research fellows and senior scientific staff from other institutions or industry partners.*

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1. **Interdisciplinarity (max. ½ page)**
* *Describe the centers approach to build interdisciplinarity in the planned research.*

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1. **Budget and funding (max. ½ page)**
* *Provide short justifications / comments to the attached budget. How is it linked to activities / subprojects? Which resources will the host institution and other partners contribute?*
* *Provide an overview of the research groups' other known sources of external funding at the time of submission.*

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1. **Dissemination and public outreach (max. ½ page)**

Outline the plans for:

* *publications in journals, conferences, etc.*
* *web presence, social media presence etc.*
* *dissemination activities both within the center and to the public at large.*

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