



# Framework and Requirements

Please ensure that your project proposal conforms to the following framework:

- CAS is modelled to further daily intellectual dialogue. PI must therefore be based at CAS throughout the academic year, which runs from 15 August to 30 June. It is preferable to have two PIs, and they may alternate responsibility during predefined periods throughout the academic year, if laboratory work or other activities or the family situation make this necessary. The absent PI must participate remotely during such periods.
- The project proposal must include a letter of support from the head of each PI's department (max. one A4 page), as well as letters of intent from up to four core members.
- Through the agreements with our partner institutions, PIs and fellows who hold permanent, tenured academic positions at these institutions are granted sabbatical leave with full salary during their stay at CAS. PIs are responsible for ensuring that fellows apply to their respective research institutions for sabbatical leave at least one year in advance.
- Each group must be international and consist of prominent researchers. Where appropriate, we encourage you to include postdoctoral or doctoral candidates (maximum two in total).
- The project should have a minimum of four and a maximum of five researchers in residence throughout the academic year, including PIs.
- Fellows must stay at the Centre for a minimum of two consecutive months. Fellows are permitted short visits to their home institutions during the period.
- While at CAS, fellows are expected to work full-time on topics relevant to the project.
- Scholars not employed by one of the Centre's partner institutions are normally expected to use their sabbatical leave during their stay at CAS. For researchers without this possibility, a portion of the project's budget may be used to cover teaching replacement costs.



- PIs are encouraged to apply for additional financial support from other relevant sources. In the past, many institutions have provided additional support for projects selected to spend a year at CAS, including recruitment positions such as Ph.D. candidates or postdoctoral researchers.
- CAS has no laboratory facilities. However, projects involving laboratory work, field work and data collection are welcome to apply to develop the theoretical aspects of their research. All laboratory work, field work and data collection must be completed before the CAS year commences or take place at other facilities during the CAS year.
- Researchers who have ongoing laboratory activities at their home institutions during their stay at CAS, should consider carefully how these can be handled on the day-to-day basis by one or more junior researchers as part of their training. These younger researchers may then in turn be included as part of the research environment established at CAS if this is in accordance with the overall plan for the stay at CAS.
- Each project is expected to result in publications in prestigious peer-reviewed academic journals and other top-tier outlets.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at [admin@cas-nor.no](mailto:admin@cas-nor.no).