

## **GUIDELINES**

### **Dr. ir. Aalt Dijkhuizen Fund**

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#### **Grant**

The goal of the dr. ir. Aalt Dijkhuizen Fund is to offer access to the newest high-tech knowledge, tools and (smart) technologies abroad to talented MSc students, PhD candidates and postdoctoral researchers at Wageningen University & Research. The obtained knowledge should help address the question on how we can feed 9 billion people in a smart and sustainable way in the future. The obtained knowledge should be brought back to the Netherlands, contribute to the research programme of Wageningen University & Research (WUR) and benefit the Dutch agri & food sector.

Dr. ir. Aalt Dijkhuizen Fund will annually award a scholarship/grant of max. €2,500 to max. two young scientists who want to visit an excellent foreign research center, university, institute or relevant organization.

#### **Criteria for application:**

- MSc student, PhD candidate or post-doc at WUR, PhD candidates must defend their thesis here at WUR
- Younger than 35 years (by 31<sup>st</sup> of May 2020)
- Application must be submitted as 1 PDF file, see underneath for more detailed information

#### **Application consists of 1 PDF, with the following information:**

1. C.V. with a recent picture of the applicant and the grades obtained.
2. Letter of motivation (max 400 words), which should contain the following aspects:
  - o Description of how the visit will contribute to the goal of the fund
  - o The steps that will be taken upon return to share the acquired knowledge
  - o Explanation of how the specific technology/knowledge justifies an international research visit.
  - o When the research scope of the candidate's activity is very specific, the applicant must clearly demonstrate the link to the general scope of the call as mentioned above.
3. The details of the research visit:
  - o Programme
  - o Name(s) of institute(s)
  - o Duration of the visit
4. Letter of invitation from the visiting institute (Note: the visiting institute may not be part of the research project of the applicant)
5. Budget, co-funding and amount requested.

#### **Deadline:**

Applications must be submitted via [ufw@wur.nl](mailto:ufw@wur.nl) by **31<sup>st</sup> May, 2020**.

#### **Procedure:**

- The best applicants will be invited to "pitch" their proposal to the Board of Trustees; this is scheduled in June (definitive date to be confirmed).
- In case a grant is awarded, the dr. ir. Aalt Dijkhuizen Fund must be named as a source of funding in the communication and PR regarding the activity funded. A short summary of the activity needs to be written with an explanation of the impact of the grant to the awardee. This will be used for publication purposes.
- When awarded, payment of the grant will occur by the University Fund Wageningen (UFW) on a 80-20 basis (80% of grant paid prior to event and 20% paid after justification of expenses). A short report and justification of the expenses should be sent within two months after the travel to the University Fund Wageningen.

#### **Board of trustees**

- Dr. ir. Aalt Dijkhuizen
- Ir. George Lubbe
- Prof. dr. ir. Wouter Hendriks

For more details see the website: [www.universityfundwageningen.eu/aaltdijkhuizenfund](http://www.universityfundwageningen.eu/aaltdijkhuizenfund)