Process for WASP Visiting Scholar Program

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The aim of the program is to strengthen WASP's local research environments, promote collaboration, internationalization and networking, both at the individual and research environment level. The Visiting Scholar program allows the WASP universities to nominate and engage visiting scholars for shorter periods to strengthen research collaboration, contribute as guest lecturers, participate in course sessions, etc. The visiting scholar must clearly contribute to the development of the research environment and have a strategic value.

Criteria
The visiting scholar should be a tenured faculty member or have a corresponding position.

Nomination process
WASP Faculty are eligible to nominate a visiting scholar. Nominations can be made continuously. To nominate, a brief application must be sent in by the WASP university representative (URG) to the WASP's program office (info@wasp-sweden.org) including the following:
- A brief description of the current research environment.
- A short justification including a description of the added value the visiting scholar brings to the current research environment.
- A short and concise research plan, the visiting scholar's CV and previous scientific contributions.
- A bibliography, indicating the 5 most important works.
- An overall budget.

Funding
The funding can cover the visiting scholar's operating costs and possible salary costs. The maximum funding that can be applied for a visiting scholar amounts to SEK 1 million.

Evaluation and decision
The application to obtain funding for a visiting scholar is evaluated by the Research Management Group (RMG), which is the chairman's group for RMG-X taking any conflict of interest into account.
- RMG gives a written recommendation to WASP's Program Director.
- Decisions on funding are made by the WASP Board at the next board meeting.