WARA Three-year evaluation and application for extension

References
- WARA 3.0, Guidelines for the establishment and operation of WASP Research Arenas
- Budget template

Purpose of this document

Every third year there will be an evaluation of achievements of the arena(s) that have been active for the past three-year period. There will also be a possibility to apply for an additional three-year extension where, e.g., a tentative budget frame based on the application will be determined. The evaluation is a self-assessment by the arena manager, completed according to the given template at the end of the three-year period. Selected members from AMG will review the evaluation and application for extension. The outcome of the review will be presented to the Executive Committee before it is considered by the board for a decision.

1) **Evaluation by self-assessment**

   Describe how the initiative has fulfilled the approved program plan as set forward in the yearly plans for the past three years. The evaluation should describe the main activities, projects and achievements from the past three years. Be specific on academic value and industry engagement. Also, describe how the program has contributed to WARA's main objective: *To provide WASP PhD students and researchers with the means to develop, test, and demonstrate research with high industrial and societal relevance.* The evaluation should also include how the arena has supported WASP graduate school, developed new research initiatives, and increased the visibility of WASP research in society. The overall use of the funding should also be specified. As well as the progress of the KPIs, stated in WARA 3.0, during the three-year period. The reporting of the progress of KPIs can be presented in an appendix.

2) **Application for extension**

   Outline the plans in terms of projects and other activities to be executed and state expected results in terms of how the program will contribute to WARA's main objective: *To provide WASP PhD students and researchers with the means to develop, test, and demonstrate research with high industrial and societal relevance.* Additionally, describe how the arena will contribute to WASP graduate school, and new research initiatives. Also, how the arena will promote networking and increase the visibility of WASP research in society. Goals for each KPI (stated in WARA 3.0) should also be included.

   Specify and motivate requested funding in a short summary and fill in the budget template, stating requested funding from WASP as well as the sources and estimated value of the co-financing. Ensure that the application complies with WARA 3.0 and please note that the various budget items should be described briefly in the application to facilitate follow-up.