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KOF/ÖB IS OVER!

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GENERAL CONTEXT

Quality and Renewal 2024 (KoF24) (Kvalitet och förnyelse)
University wide evaluation based on external panels

- KoF 17
- KoF 11
- KoF 07

ÖB process (Översynen av Basanslag) 2024-2025
Faculty wide process based on internal prioritization





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TIMELINE

KoF 2024: self-evaluations (spring 2024), panel visit (Oct 2024), panel reports are published (Nov 2024), on the 8th of May 2025 there was final KoF conference organized by the Vice-Chancellor. The University wide KoF report is done.

ÖB 2024: feedback on priorities (Jan-Feb 2025), revised priorities (Feb 2025) with the evaluation by FB in Spring 2025, May-September 2025 the Faculty board decided (September 16, 2025) on VP 26 with the new funding coming in.



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KOF DEPARTMENT'S EVALUATION

In overall we are very happy with KoF evaluation both at the level of the programs and at the level of the department. We came out as one of the strongest department within TekNat.

"The Department of Physics and Astronomy is a true jewel in the crown of Uppsala University: both the breadth and depth of the research done are exemplary. Physics departments with so many, so different research programs, all performing at outstanding/excellent level, are an absolute rarity. Also remarkable are the excellent balance between theoretical and experimental work, and the extraordinary efforts in developing superb new tools, both concerning new instrumentation and new ways to simulate/analyze data, not only to the benefit of the research programs but also serving the national and international community."



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ÖB RESULT

Föreslagen budget för ovanstående forskningsplaner:

- Antibiotic Resistance – Understanding and Prevention: 0,50 FFF och 1,31 mnkr/år i fem år,
- Establishment of a New Research Program in Biomedical Engineering: 1,00 FFF,
- Chemistry for Life Sciences: 0,60 FFF,
- Research Programme in Cybersecurity: 1,20 FFF och 0,64 mnkr/år i fem år.
- Centre for Geometry and Physics: 1,50 FFF och berörda institutioner får fördela medlen mellan sig,
- Establishment of an Earth Science Research Platform (ESRP): 0,91 FFF,
- Functional Macromolecular Structure and Dynamics: 0,60 FFF,
- AI4Teknat: 2,28 mnkr år ett, 3,20 mnkr år två, 3,52 mnkr år tre, 2,06 mnkr år fyra och 2,02 mnkr år fem.
- Strengthened Research at EBC 0,35 FFF till forskningsprogrammet Människans evolution och 0,84 mnkr/år i fem år för Anthropocene Hub och doktorandstartsprojekt för UL i Människans evolution,
- Support for Excellence in Civil Engineering and Built Environment med 0,50 FFF,
- Tomography Support Centre med 0,79 mnkr/år i två år. Under det sista året ska arbetet utvärderas för eventuell fortsatt finansiering.



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ÖB BALANCE ISSUES

Samint - Institutionen för samhällsbyggnad och industriell teknik:
1,5 mnkr per year for two year with the direct report to FN

institutionsresursen: it will be discussed separately, hopefully new formula for VP27



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Personal reflections

process was well-organised but expectations were raised too high

towards the end my main pre-occupation was damage control (balance issues)

in overall physics did not do so great in ÖB, it feels like KoF was ignored



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COMING ISSUES

institutionsresursen: new formula?

cofunding of external grants

infrastructure body

FFF?

