

Propose the next profiling theme and measures for the University of Oulu

The Academy of Finland will open the next [call supporting the profiling of universities](#) (Profi 5 call) in October 2018. The aim of the funding is to support and speed up the strategic profiling of Finnish universities in order to improve their capacity for enhancing the quality of research. The University of Oulu will submit one application for this call. Two themes can be included in the application. The application will describe a profiling area connected to the university's strategy and an action plan for reaching the desired objective.

The University of Oulu will apply for funding through the Profi 5 call to

- strengthen and deepen the current profiling area(s) and/or
- link the current profiling areas to each other and/or
- link a new, potentially multidisciplinary topic to the current profiling area(s).

We are now inviting researchers to propose themes and measures connected to the current profiling areas for which the university could apply for funding through the Profi 5 call.

The profiling themes can be

- existing high-quality research themes
- emerging themes with potential to reach the top level
- new themes with high potential.

The profiling areas of the University of Oulu are the following (see figure below):

PROFI 2:

- [Ubiquitous wireless sensor systems \(Leader: Jukka Riekki\)](#)
- [Earth and near-space system and environmental change \(Leader: Esa Turunen\)](#)

PROFI 3:

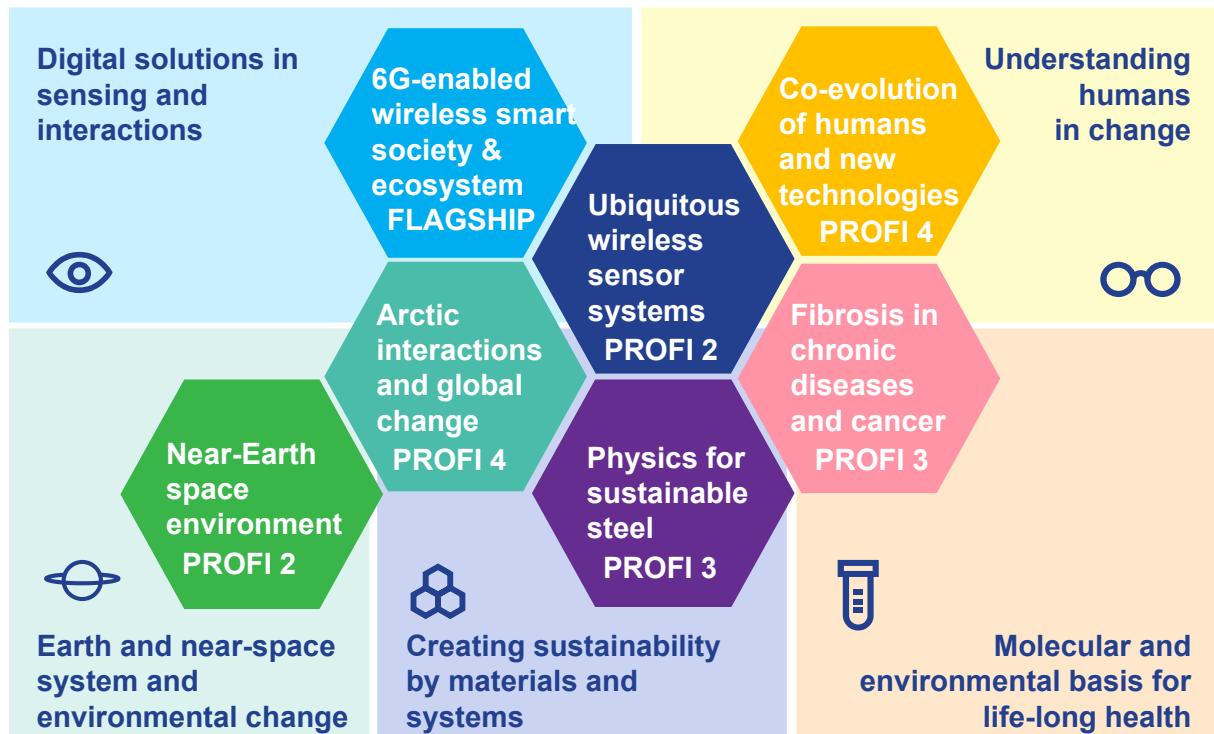
- [Fibrosis diseaseome \(Leader: Johanna Myllyharju\)](#)
- [Genome of steel \(Leader: Jukka Kömi\)](#)

PROFI 4:

- [Generation Z and beyond: Co-evolution of human capabilities and intelligent technologies in the 21st century \(Leader: Pentti Haddington\)](#)
- [Arctic interactions: Coupling of nature and human responses to understand and mitigate global change \(Leader: Bjørn Kløve\)](#)

FLAGSHIP:

- [6G-Enabled Wireless Smart Society & Ecosystem \(Leader: Matti Latva-aho\)](#)



Leave your proposal and the following information through [the linked Webropol query](#) (<https://www.webropolsurveys.com/S/0933ACB0F55A0222.par>) by 25 April 2018:

- Which profiling area(s) will the measures strengthen, which profiling areas will be linked or to which profiling area(s) will the new theme be linked?
- A short description of the profiling theme and preliminary measures, including the renewal of science and expected scientific breakthroughs, as well as justification for the selection of the theme in question (max. 2000 characters).
- A description of the cooperation and potential division of work with other universities and organisations (max. 750 characters).
- The proposed leader and his or her contact information, as well as 5–10 senior researchers related to the theme.
- Has the proposed leader committed him- or herself to preparing an application/proposal in June–November 2018?

Preparation schedule:

- Deadline for replying to the Webropol query: 25 April 2018.
- The proposals will be grouped, and a number of proposals will be selected for future processing by the research management group on 3 May 2018.
- The selected proposals will be processed in a workshop organised in May.

- The proposals will be presented in a meeting of the university's Board of Directors on 30 May 2018. The Board will select the themes for the Profi 5 application.
- One application will be prepared for the selected themes in June–November 2018.

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