Request for support for assistant professorship grant applications (SNSF Eccellenza Professorial Fellowship or ERC Starting Grant):

**Deadlines and necessary documentation**

1. **Deadlines**

Requests are to be submitted to the Department conference as follows:

- SNSF Eccellenza professorial fellowship (SNSF deadline: end of January): Department conference of December
- ERC Assistant professorship / starting grant (ERC deadline: mid-November): Department conference of September / October

Approval via e-mail consent is **not** possible.

2. **Procedure**

At first, the request has to be discussed by the relevant section of the D-GESS. If it meets with the support of a majority of the members of the section, it may then be submitted to the Department conference.

3. **Documents**

The documentation to be presented to the Department conference should contain the following elements:

a. Letter of support by the mentor
b. Motivation letter by the candidate
c. CV of the candidate
d. Project summary of max. 2 pages
e. Comment by the section on the project and in particular on the question of how the field of research of the proposed professorship would fit in / complement the section.

4. **Personal presence at the Department conference required**

The candidate must be present at the Department conference. He / she presents himself / herself, the project and his / her area of research (15’ presentation, 15’ Q&A). The mentor is expected to be present at the meeting as well.

5. **Renewed grant applications**

Candidates who after an unsuccessful application submit the same or a slightly modified proposal within two years of the first application to another funding agency do not have to submit the documents mentioned above and present themselves again to the Department Conference.

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