application template

A Path to Resilience 2025

Deadline: 11 December 2025

# Section A: Data

## Application title:

*(Maximum 240 characters including spaces)*

Click or tap here to enter text.

**Acronym**

*(Maximum 15 characters)*

Click or tap here to enter text.

**Date and time of submission**

Click or tap to enter a date.

## Application Informant:

*The applicant is the organization heading the project.*

* *CVR-no.:* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Organization:* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Address:* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Zip code:* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *City:* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *E-mail:* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Telephone no.:* Click or tap here to enter text.

## Contact person (registered upon submission; acts as Project Investigator in project phase — see WP1: TRACE Collaborative Platform)

*When the application is submitted, you will be registered as the contact person. As contact person, you will be the point of contact throughout the application and will be the Project Investigator throughout the project phase – see document* [*Work Package 1: TRACE Collaborative Platform*](https://trace.dk/media/oillv3o0/work-package-1-trace-collaborative-platform-_a-path-to-resilience-2025.pdf)

* *First name:* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Last name:* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *E-mail:* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Organization:*  Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Telephone no.:* Click or tap here to enter text.

## Key person(s) - ORCID

*For each key person who holds an Open Researcher and Contributor ID (ORCID), state their name and ORCID*

* *First name:* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Last name:* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *ORCID:* Click or tap here to enter text.

Click or tap here to enter text.

## Executive Summary

*(Maximum 1500 characters including spaces)*

*Please summarize your project proposal by clearly addressing all four TRACE assessment criteria:
(1) strategic fit and relevance,
(2) quality of the idea,
(3) impact, and
(4) quality of execution.*

Click or tap here to enter text.

## Readiness Levels

*State the project's expected start and end Technology Readiness Levels (TRL). Find applicable TRL definitions at this* [*link to TRL description.*](https://innovationsfonden.dk/sites/default/files/2019-03/technology_readiness_levels_-_trl.pdf)

*Start TRL (choose from 1-9):* Choose an item.

*End TRL (Choose from 1-9):* Choose an item.

*State the project’s expected start and end Societal Readiness Levels (SRL). Find applicable SRL definitions at this* [*link to SRL description*](https://innovationsfonden.dk/sites/default/files/2019-03/societal_readiness_levels_-_srl.pdf#:~:text=Societal%20Readiness%20Level%20%28SRL%29%20is%20a%20way%20of,social%20or%20technical%29%20to%20be%20integrated%20into%20society.)

*Start SRL (Choose from 1-9):* Choose an item.

*End SRL (Choose from 1-9):* Choose an item.

## Previous applications to TRACE

*Is this a resubmission or a continuation of a previous application to one of the previous calls from TRACE?*

*Choose yes or no =* Choose an item.

If yes – please provide information for each previous application (up to five):

Previous application 1

Title of proposal: Click or tap here to enter text.

Call that proposal was submitted to: Click or tap here to enter text.

*In the case of resubmission, please describe any changes made and how you have specifically addressed any comments received from TRACE. Please also describe any connections to ongoing activities (max 1000 characters):*

Click or tap here to enter text.

Previous application 2

Title of proposal: Click or tap here to enter text.

Call that proposal was submitted to: Click or tap here to enter text.

*In the case of resubmission, please describe any changes made and how you have specifically addressed any comments received from TRACE. Please also describe any connections to ongoing activities (max 1000 characters):*

Click or tap here to enter text.

Previous application 3

Title of proposal: Click or tap here to enter text.

Call that proposal was submitted to: Click or tap here to enter text.

*In the case of resubmission, please describe any changes made and how you have specifically addressed any comments received from TRACE. Please also describe any connections to ongoing activities (max 1000 characters):*

Click or tap here to enter text.

Previous application 4

Title of proposal: Click or tap here to enter text.

Call that proposal was submitted to: Click or tap here to enter text.

*In the case of resubmission, please describe any changes made and how you have specifically addressed any comments received from TRACE. Please also describe any connections to ongoing activities (max 1000 characters):*

Click or tap here to enter text.

Previous application 5

Title of proposal: Click or tap here to enter text.

Call that proposal was submitted to: Click or tap here to enter text.

*In the case of resubmission, please describe any changes made and how you have specifically addressed any comments received from TRACE. Please also describe any connections to ongoing activities (max 1000 characters):*

Click or tap here to enter text.

## Related applications

*Have you applied for, or received grants from, other funding agencies covering or co-financing activities which are closely related to the present project?*

*Choose yes or no =* Choose an item.

If yes

*Please list up to four of the most relevant applications including the granting/applied funding agency and the amount granted/applied for. Also, for each project, please describe in a few lines the essence of the project and its relationship to the present application (Maximum 1000 characters including spaces)*

*Please list up to four of the most relevant related applications*

*Related application 1*

*Title of the proposal:* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Funding agency:* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Status of the proposal (granted, under evaluation, rejected):* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Amount applied for/granted:* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Relation to the present application:* Click or tap here to enter text.

(Maximum 1000 characters including spaces)

*Related application 2*

*Title of the proposal:* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Funding agency:* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Status of the proposal (granted, under evaluation, rejected):* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Amount applied for/granted:* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Relation to the present application:* Click or tap here to enter text.

(Maximum 1000 characters including spaces)

*Related application 3*

*Title of the proposal:* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Funding agency:* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Status of the proposal (granted, under evaluation, rejected):* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Amount applied for/granted:* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Relation to the present application:* Click or tap here to enter text.

(Maximum 1000 characters including spaces)

*Related application 4*

*Title of the proposal:* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Funding agency:* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Status of the proposal (granted, under evaluation, rejected):* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Amount applied for/granted:* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Relation to the present application:* Click or tap here to enter text.

(Maximum 1000 characters including spaces)

## Budget information

**Duration**

*Project start date* Click or tap to enter a date.

*Project end date* Click or tap to enter a date.

*Duration in months (months)* Click or tap here to enter text.

**Amount**

*Amount to be applied for excl.*

*overhead (DKK) =* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Amount to be applied for as*

*overhead (DKK) =* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Amount to be applied for incl.*

*overhead (DKK) =* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Total budget incl. overhead*

*(DKK) =* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Investment rate in the project*

*from TRACE partnership (pct.)* *=* Click or tap here to enter text.

## Peer review

*Suggested peers (up to 5): Name; Affiliation; Contact; Competencies (max 150 chars).*

*Peer 1*

* *Name* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Place of work* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Contact* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Competencies* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Peer 2*

* *Name* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Place of work* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Contact* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Competencies* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Peer 3*

* *Name* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Place of work* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Contact* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Competencies* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Peer 4*

* *Name* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Place of work* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Contact* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Competencies* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Peer 5*

* *Name* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Place of work* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Contact* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Competencies* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Suggestion of unwanted peers (name up to five)*

*Unwanted peer 1*

* *Name* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Place of work* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Contact* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *\*\*Reason* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Unwanted peer 2*

* *Name* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Place of work* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Contact* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *\*\*Reason* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Unwanted peer 3*

* *Name* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Place of work* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Contact* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *\*\*Reason* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Unwanted peer 4*

* *Name* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Place of work* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Contact* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *\*\*Reason* Click or tap here to enter text.

*Unwanted peer 5*

* *Name* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Place of work* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *Contact* Click or tap here to enter text.
* *\*\*Reason* Click or tap here to enter text.

*(\*\* Reason maximum 150 characters including spaces)*

## Confirmation

***NB.*** *Before you submit the application, please check the following:*

* *The application is complete and ready for assessment*

*The following pages describe the expected content for the application document.*

**Section B: Application document**

*This section constitutes the main application text and must not exceed 30,000 characters including spaces. The limit includes all text entered below, but does not include mandatory appendices (figures, tables, CVs, etc.).*

*All applications will be assessed against four equally weighted criteria:*

1. *Strategic fit and relevance*
2. *Quality of the idea*
3. *Impact*
4. *Quality of execution*

*Your text should be structured clearly to reflect these four criteria. You are free to distribute the 30.000 characters as needed* ***across all textboxes in section B*** *of the application form.*

*Please use font size 11, bold for headlines, and delete all italic guidance text before generating the final PDF.*

*Note: All figures, references and tables must be placed in Appendix A.*

[*Link to assessment criteria*](https://trace.dk/media/opghcvwn/assessment-criteria_a-path-to-resilience_2025-3.pdf)

*Characters (incl. spaces) in application:*

## Strategic Fit and Relevance

*Describe how your project aligns with the strategic direction of the TRACE Partnership, including its vision, mission logic, and systemic ambition. Your response must address the following:*

1. ***Systemic focus:*** *Explain how the project meets the mandatory systemic focus by providing examples of how one or more project partners have previously worked with systemic leadership, and how this approach will be embedded in the project.*
2. ***Contribution to TRACE goals:*** *Describe how the project significantly contributes to the realization of TRACE’s objectives as defined in:*
	* [*TRACE Roadmap 2021*](https://trace.dk/media/1laefnod/roadmap.pdf)
	* [*Amended TRACE Roadmap 2025*](https://trace.dk/media/0wld3nvg/trace-roadmap-2025.pdf)
	* [*TRACE Impact Framework Version One*](https://trace.dk/media/f1jgde3p/trace-impact-framework-version-one_a-path-to-resilience-2025.pdf)
3. **Applicants must describe how their project supports TRACE’s North Star vision and mission logic, as defined in the TRACE Impact Framework Version One. Specifically, applicants must:**

c1. *Identify the tipping point and learning question the project addresses.*

*c2. Explain how the project contributes to generating new knowledge relevant to that learning question.*

*c3. Propose project-specific milestones that demonstrate clear learning progression toward answering the selected learning* *question. These milestones must be:*

*c3.1 Forward-looking and strategically aligned with the learning question*

*c3.2 Within the project’s sphere of influence*

*c3.3 Based on learning outcomes, not activity outputs*

*c3.4 Measurable (qualitatively or quantitatively) and time-bound*

*c4. Applicants should relate their proposed milestones to the preliminary TRACE milestones provided in the call text.*

*c5. Final milestones will be validated after funding decisions, through a dialogue between the consortium, TRACE Secretariat, and the TRACE Board, ensuring scientific robustness and strategic coherence*

1. **Complementarity**
*Explain how your project is complementary to other TRACE projects (different solutions to the same problem are considered complementary).*
2. **Synergy**
*Explain how your project demonstrates synergy with other TRACE projects that support TRACE’s goals.*
3. **Strengthening the partnership**
*Describe how the project strengthens the TRACE Partnership, e.g. through the building of methods or knowledge that can be used and scaled.*

Click or tap here to enter text.

## Quality of the idea

*Present the core idea behind your project, emphasizing its originality, relevance, and potential for scientific and practical advancement. Address the following:*

1. **Goals and objectives** *Ensure the goals and objectives are clear and that they are Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic, and Time-bound (SMART).*
2. **Innovation and novelty**

*Demonstrate that the idea is innovative and goes beyond state-of-the-art in the relevant academic and industrial fields at an international level.*

1. **Competitive situation**

*Explain the competitive situation of the idea — both in academic and industrial terms. Clearly state the disruptive potential of the idea.*

Click or tap here to enter text.

## Impact

*Describe the expected societal, environmental, and economic impact of your project — during and*

*beyond the funding period. Address the following:*

1. **Unmet need / societal problem***Explain which unmet need or societal problem the project addresses, in both a national and international perspective.*
2. **Societal/economic impact**

*Demonstrate how the project will generate societal and/or economic impact for Denmark by solving societal challenges.*

1. ***Contribution to CO₂ reduction*** *Account (as far as possible) of the project's quantified contribution to the reduction in greenhouse gas emissions measured in CO2 equivalents – both in Denmark and globally.*
2. **Reduced environmental impacts**

*Provide, as far as possible, a statement of the project’s contribution to reducing negative environmental impacts — nationally and globally.*

1. **Reduced consumption of resources**

*Explain, as far as possible, how the project contributes to reducing the consumption of limited or non-renewable resources, including clean water — nationally and globally.*

1. **Working environment**

*State, as far as relevant, the project’s contribution to improved working environment — nationally and globally.*

1. **Implementation after project end**

*Explain the project’s progress toward implementation once the project period has ended.*

1. **Business or sales model / scalability**

*Describe any implementation, business, or sales model, including plans for scalability.*

1. **Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)**

*Explain the project’s IPR approach, if relevant.*

1. **Technology Readiness Level (TRL)**

*Describe the project’s TRL at start and expected TRL at project end, including why progression is expected.*

1. **Societal Readiness Level (SRL)**

*Describe the project’s SRL at start* *and expected SRL at project end, including why progression is expected.*

1. **Strategic relevance for partners**

*Clarify the project’s strategic relevance for the participating partners.*

1. **Contribution to systemic change**

*Explain the project’s relevance to Roadmap 2025 and how it contributes to systemic change as defined in the TRACE Impact Framework Version One, including TRACE’s dual approach to impact measurement.*

1. **International market penetration**

*Describe the project’s potential for international scaling and market penetration, to the relevant extent.*

Click or tap here to enter text.

## Quality of execution

*Describe how the project will be executed effectively and deliver on its objectives.*

*Address the following:*

1. **Operational plan**
*Provide a clear and detailed operational plan, including the methods applied within the project, and listing the project’s work packages, deliverables, milestones, and participant contributions.*
2. **Critical path and dependencies**
*Describe the relevant critical path of the project and the dependencies between work packages.*
3. **Realistic budget**
*Show that the project is realistically budgeted in relation to the planned activities.*
4. **Competences and governance**
*Demonstrate that the composition of project participants has the necessary competences and experience to carry out the work. Explain how organization, governance, and leadership will be handled.*
5. **Risk mitigation**
*Identify relevant and specific risks, and explain how these will be mitigated.*
6. **Legal, ethical, and regulatory aspects**
*Describe relevant legal, ethical, and regulatory aspects related to project implementation.*
7. **Other funding**
*Explain what other funding the project will attract or has attracted before, during, and after the project, to the relevant extent.*
8. **End-user and stakeholder involvement**
*Describe how relevant end users and stakeholders are involved in the project (e.g. shaping, participating, investing). Include a process plan for implementation with these actors, where relevant.*
9. **Efficiency**
*Show that expected achievements are commensurate with requested resources*.
10. **Effectiveness**
*Show that there is reasonable confidence the set objectives will be met.*
11. **Contribution to WP1**
*Demonstrate a clear understanding of obligations under Work Package 1, including participation in collaborative activities, shared learning, and contribution to the TRACE Data Space.*

Click or tap here to enter text.

**WORK PACKAGES**

* *For each work package please fill out the following information.
(Maximum 10 WP’s)*
* **Work Package 1. Mandatory - See document work package 1 → LINK:** [**Work Package 1 - TRACE Collaborative Platform \_A Path to Resilience 2025.docx**](https://kvca.sharepoint.com/%3Aw%3A/s/Trace-Sekretariat/EZ7AFFLHj55JqAlbssAKnX0BO8r3SUgkSTELbBU3uLVRcw?e=88iLDc)
* *Write here*
* WP1 – Lead:
*Write here*
* WP1 – Period:
*Write here*
* WP1 – Description of content:
*Write here*
* WP1 – Specific milestones and stop/go criteria:
*Write here*
* WP1 – Deliverables:
*Write here*
* WP1 – Time frame:
*Write here*
* WP1 – Responsible partner and contributing partners:
*Write here*
* WP1 – Necessary resources:
*Write here*

**Work Package 2.**

* WP2 – Name of work package:
*Write here*
* WP2 – Lead:
*Write here*
* WP2 – Period:
*Write here*
* WP2 – Description of content:
*Write here*
* WP2 – Specific milestones and stop/go criteria:
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* WP2 – Deliverables:
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* WP2 – Time frame:
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* WP2 – Responsible partner and contributing partners:
*Write here*
* WP2 – Necessary resources:
*Write here*

*More WP - (please copy paste)*

**Risk mitigations**

* *Please provide a risk analysis in relation to your project, including the consequences, likelihood, and possible mitigation of each risk.*
* *Please also include any legal, ethical, and/or regulatory demands that might influence the outcome of your project.*

Click or tap here to enter text.

## Section C - Appendices

*Mandatory appendix – templates can be found in section 6. Application Content, Guidance and Documents under each call (must be uploaded as separate PDF’s in Filkassen)*

*Appendix B – Partner motivation*

* *Describe each partner’s key competences and motivation in relation to the project activities. List the partner’s number from filled in budget file (xlsx).*

*Appendix C – Key Persons*

* *Describe the key individuals in the project and include CV's for key persons.*

*Appendix D – Gantt chart*

* *Gantt chart showing the timing of the different work packages*

*Additional appendices*

* *If relevant, please upload additional appendices and provide a list*
*Appendix A. Figures, pictures, tables*

*Budget*

* *Use the budget file supplied with the call text*