

BIG Parternas Bild

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What is BIG for us?

- Funding (or rather co-funding)
 - Maintain critical mass
 - Virtually no funding source pays full costs: FORMAS, VR, EU for sure do not, so BIG gives leverage
 - Continuity & planning for the future: PhD students, post-docs, assistant professors, associate professors, professors **(it takes almost 20 years to train a full professor)**

What is BIG for us?

- Identification of real world problem areas in annual priority document
 - Intellectual challenges that relate to real world problems
 - Freedom to think out of the box
 - Inspiration for education

What is BIG for us?

- Collaborations & future bids
 - We have learned to know each other
 - We can exploit our complementary skills and expertise in joint bids
- Impact of the research
 - Increasingly important for funding bodies that research has impact in practice – can demonstrate via BIG

What is BIG for us?

- VIP day: Insight to variety of projects
 - Consultancy (quick probable solutions)
 - Investigation (what has been done elsewhere in practice)
 - Applied research
 - Basic/fundamental research?