Linnaeus University application form

MIRAI Japanese-Swedish mobility grant for Early-Career Researchers **to Japan** (2025-2027)

The program is open for applications until **October 31, 2025.** Funding is available for a five-month research stay at one of the Japanese universities in MIRAI during 2025–2027. The minimum mobility period is five months, and all stays must be completed by November 1, 2027. PhD students at Linnaeus University or researchers who obtained their doctoral degree in 2021 or later are eligible to apply. Applicants must be accepted as PhD students or **employed** as ECR at Linnaeus University at the time of application and throughout the entire mobility period. They must also be **registered in Sweden and covered by Swedish social insurance**

Complete submissions containing the filled-out application form and required attachments are to be made to [charlotte.skoglund@lnu.se](mailto:charlotte.skoglund@lnu.se)

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| **Applicant** | |
| Name |  |
| Date of birth |  |
| Swedish social security number |  |
| Address in Sweden |  |
| Department |  |
| Email |  |
| Phone |  |
| Nationalities |  |
| Do you hold Japanese citizenship? | Yes / No |
| Are you employed at Linnaeus University during the mobility period? | Yes / No |
| Are you registered in Sweden and **covered by social insurance in Sweden**? | Yes / No |
| Is the mobility compatible with any eventual contracts with agencies funding your projects? | Yes / No |
| Year of doctoral defence (completed or expected): |  |

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| **Japanese partner within MIRAL** | |
| MIRAI Host University in Japan |  |
| Duration of mobility (minimum 5 months) | From: To:  Important: all mobility should be completed by November 1, 2027 |
| Name of host professor in Japan |  |
| Email of host professor in Japan |  |
| Research Plan- overview of planned activities to be conducted in Japan.  Please list possible research projects, educational activities etc.  Skills and research interest you intend to develop.  A strategy for long-term collaboration. |  |
| Of the four themes of MIRAI, what area is your research related to?  Please highlight the challenge(s) that is relevant to your research | **Challenge 1:** Health and an ageing population (part of SDG 3)  **Challenge 2**: Climate adaptation, disaster and risk management and prevention (part of SDG 13)  **Challenge 3:** Resilient cities and communities - policies, strategies, local governance and urban planning (part of SDG 11)  **Challenge 4:** Energy conversion and storage materials: renewable energy, solar energy conversion, electrification, sustainable processes and resource use (part of SDG 7) |
| **Only for doctoral students:**  Is the intended mobility approved by your Lnu supervisor(s)? Please list the name(s) and email of your Lnu supervisor(s). |  |

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| **Resources requested (funding is received in standard amounts, SEK)** | | |
|  | **Applied amount:** | **Specify** |
| **Monthly subsistence allowance**  Maximum is 6 307 SEK per full month. This is a tax-free maintenance allowance determined and revised twice a year by the Swedish Agency for Government Employers (sum from July 1, 2025). |  |  |
| **Travel expenses**  Up to maximum of 20 000 SEK  The costs of the travels to and from Japan (economy class) can be covered. This must comply with Lnu travel policies and be booked according to internal rules and regulations at the department. |  |  |
| **Housing**  Accommodation costs in Japan are reimbursed at an actual cost, up to a maximum of 10 000 SEK per month for rent. |  |  |
| **Expenses for accompanying family**  If not applicable: 0 SEK  Up to a maximum of 30 000 SEK will be provided to cover expenses for one accompanying family member, such as a spouse/partner, and/or dependent children.  This could be used to cover cost for example travel costs\* and/or to cover part of the maintenance allowance set by the Swedish Agency for Government Employers.  *\*This must be booked according to internal rules and regulations at the department.* |  |  |
| Does the host university charge any visitor fee (for example, for the use of an office)?  Up to a maximum of 3 000 SEK per month.  List the fees that the host university will charge you for the use of their university facilities |  |  |
| **Total** |  |  |

The employee is covered by URA insurance. For details on the terms and conditions, please visit Kammarkollegiet's [website](https://www.kammarkollegiet.se/vara-tjanster/forsakring-och-riskhantering/forsakringar-for-tjansteresor-och-utlandsarbete/utlandsstationering-for-anstallda-pa-myndigheter-ura/forsakringsvillkor-utlandsstationerade-ura-2018?query=URA).

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| **Supporting signature from head of the department\*** | |
| Strategic value (for the department): |  |
| Name |  |
| Department |  |
| Email |  |
| Phone |  |
| Date and signature |  |

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| **Signature applicant** | |
| Name |  |
| Date and signature |  |

\* The application must be signed by the head of department who thereby approves to the application and assures that any extra costs, which are not covered through the long-term mobility programme, will be covered by the department or the applicant. The approval also includes that permission to undertake the mobility alongside with the research/studies of the applicant is granted from the supervisor/head of department. It also needs to be justified why the mobility is of strategical value to the applicant and for the department and confirmed that the URA contract will be administered locally.

**Submit the following documents with this application form:**

1. **Letter of invitation from the host university** A formal invitation from the Japanese institution or research group confirming their willingness to host the applicant.
2. **Curriculum Vitae (CV) and publication list** A concise overview of the candidate’s qualifications and experience.
3. **Motivation Letter (maximum 2 pages)** A personal statement explaining the applicant’s reasons for pursuing the mobility opportunity.

**Application deadline: October 31, 2025.** All documents submitted via email must be in PDF format. The title of this email should be *“MIRAI Mobility Application for NAME”*.Completed applications should be submitted to [charlotte.skoglund@lnu.se](mailto:charlotte.skoglund@lnu.se)