The Norwegian Cooperation Programme in Higher Education with Russia



Call for applications 2017 Three-year project funding

1 INVITATION

The Norwegian Centre for International Cooperation in Education (SIU) is pleased to issue this call for applications for funding of joint projects between higher education institutions in Norway and Russia, under *The Norwegian Cooperation Programme in Higher Education with Russia*.

The overall aim of the Cooperation Programme with Russia is to strengthen the knowledge cooperation in areas of shared interest between Norway and Russia.

The programme is funded by the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and is administered by SIU.

The call is open to **project cooperation** with a project period from 1 February 2018 to 31 December 2020. The final deadline for submitting applications is **1 November 2017, at 15:00 Norwegian time**. The applications should be prepared jointly by the applicant institution in Norway and the partner institution(s).

The total funds made available in this call are 21 million Norwegian kroner (NOK).

Below you will find more information on the objectives and funding framework of the programme, eligibility requirements and selection criteria, and an outline of the administrative process of project selection under the programme.

2 OBJECTIVES AND FUNDING FRAMEWORK OF THE CALL

2.1 Programme objectives

The **overall aim** of the Cooperation Programme with Russia is to strengthen Norwegian-Russian knowledge cooperation in areas of shared interest. The programme seeks to achieve this through supporting projects that lead to the following outcomes:

- Sustainable joint educational cooperation in areas of mutual strategic interest between higher educational institutions and academic communities in Norway and Russia.
- Increased quality in education at the partner institutions in Norway and Russia.
- Increased intercultural competences among students and staff in higher education institutions in Norway and Russia.
- Mobility of students and staff between Norway and Russia.

2.2 Expected project outputs

SIU will monitor project outputs and the degree to which projects contribute to achieve the expected outcomes of the programme. Project outputs are defined as the final measurable results achieved upon successful completion of a project.

Applicants are requested to describe the expected outputs of the project as specifically as possible. Project outputs contributing to achieve the expected outcomes of the programme include, but are not limited to:

Programme outcomes	Expected project outputs	
Sustainable joint educational cooperation in areas of mutual strategic interest between higher educational institutions and academic communities in Norway and Russia.	 Norwegian-Russian joint educational activities, such as joint courses, study programmes and degrees, that are integrated into the academic programmes offered by the partner institutions Sound recruitment of students to joint Norwegian-Russian educational activities. Continuity in the use of teaching materials or methods developed in projects, also after the project period is over. 	
Increased quality in education at the partner institutions in Norway and Russia	 New or improved curriculum, tools or methods developed through Norwegian-Russian cooperation and integrated into the cooperating institutions' study programmes. Students' participation in scientific work. Joint Russian-Norwegian educational activities, which are relevant to the labour market in the respective countries or internationally. Increased academic and administrative competence among faculty and staff at the cooperating institutions in Norway and Russia Improved learning outcome among students who participate in joint Norwegian-Russian educational activities. 	
Increased intercultural competences among students and staff in higher education institutions in Norway and Russia	 Improved mutual understanding of similarities and differences in Norwegian and Russian society, language and culture among students, faculty and staff who participate in joint Norwegian-Russian educational activities. 	
Mobility of students and staff between Norway and Russia	 New or improved exchange agreements between Norway and Russian higher education institutions. Exchange stays at Russian partner institutions for students 	

	from Norway that are recognized at their home institution.
•	Exchange stays at Norwegian partner institutions for students
	from Russia that are recognized at their home institution.
•	Mutual faculty and staff mobility between Norwegian and
	Russian partner institutions for teaching or training.

2.3 Project funding and activities

Each project may be awarded up to NOK 2 000 000. SIU may reduce the amount awarded based on an assessment of the merits of the individual applications.

The project budget included in the application form shall only include funds applied for through this call.

Activities may include all levels of higher education (Bachelor, Master and PhD), all fields of education, and involve multiple fields and disciplines.

The project may include funds for salaries and indirect expenses, limited to 20 per cent of the total allocation. Indirect expenses should normally not exceed 5 percent of the total project budget. The funds may be shared between the partner institutions.

Please note that costs related to research activities *not clearly linked to* educational purposes may not be included in the application.

For more information on eligible project activities, please see the attached "Guidelines for applicants".

3 ELIGIBILITY REQUIRMENTS AND SELECTION CRITERIA

3.1 Who may apply?

- Applications must be submitted by the main partner institution in Norway.
- The Norwegian institution must apply together with one main partner institution from Russia.
- Applications may also involve other institutions in Norway and Russia as network partners. Research institutes and non-governmental organizations, public agencies or public and private enterprises in Norway or in Russia may also be involved as network partners.

3.2 Formal eligibility requirements

In order to be eligible, applications <u>must</u> meet the following requirements:

- **The main partner institution in Norway** must be an accredited Norwegian higher education institution, or an institution with accredited higher education programmes.
- The main partner institution outside Norway must be an accredited higher education institution, public or private, in Russia, providing accredited education programmes that are

relevant to the proposal and at a level equivalent to that offered at the Norwegian applicant institution.

- **Applications** must include a **Letter of commitment** from the main partner institution outside Norway and from each network partner, documenting interest in and commitment to the partnership by leadership at relevant level.
- **Applications** must be written in English and be submitted fully completed, **including attachments**, through SIU's online platform for applications and reporting (<u>Espresso</u>) within the call's final deadline. Non-required attachments will not be taken into consideration.
- **The project activities** described in the application must be implemented within the project period.

Please note that failure to meet the above requirements will lead to dismissal of the application.

3.3 Selection criteria

The eligible applications' relative strength will be assessed on <u>the degree to which</u> they are deemed able to meet the following selection criteria:

- The project's relevance to the overall aim and objectives of the programme.
- The quality of the project design, including:
 - the application's overall clarity and quality
 - o correspondence between project objectives, proposed activities and budget allocations
 - o demonstration of cost-effectiveness
 - the sustainability of the project outputs
 - the project's feasibility
- The quality of the partnership, including:
 - o complementarity, experience and expertise of the project team
 - o level of formalised commitment
 - relevance to the partners' strategic priorities
 - o potential for long-term collaboration between the partners

SIU presumes that all projects adhere to a high ethical standard in research and higher education. SIU emphasises the importance of gender equality, inclusive practices and anti-corruption measures in all project activities.

Please note that these criteria correspond to various compulsory fields in the online Espresso application form, and that the application's ability to meet these relative criteria will be assessed on the basis of the description provided. In order to ensure coherence and a logical order in the description of your project, please read the relevant help texts in the online application form as well as the "Guidelines for applicants" carefully. Remaining questions may be directed to SIU.

4 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS

4.1 Assessment of applications and response to applicants

Each application will be assessed by a panel of reviewers from SIU and one external evaluator on the basis of its individual merits with regard to the selection criteria set out above (item 3.3), and its relative standing to other competing project applications. Applications will be evaluated on a scale from 1 (lowest) to 5 (highest). SIU uses the evaluators' assessment as a basis on which to recommend grant allocation.

The applications and recommendations are submitted to the program board for grant allocation. The program board allocates funds based on the selection criteria set out above. As part of the assessment, the program board may take into consideration the geographic, academic and/or institutional distribution of the projects.

In case the applicant has received a similar grant from SIU in recent years, the program board may also take into consideration past performance, such as good quality in the implementation of the previous project(s) and sound financial management.

All applicants will be notified of the outcome of the application process, tentatively in January 2018.

4.2 Contracts and reporting obligations

The main partner institution in Norway will be required to enter into a contract with SIU. The contract will be subject to SIU's standard terms and conditions, and must be signed by a representative holding the requisite authority to legally bind the main partner institution in Norway. The obligations on part of the institution include a duty to submit progress reports, project accounts, and a final report upon completion of the project.

Until a binding contract has been entered into, SIU reserves the right to at any time revisit any evaluation and decision on the basis of newly discovered facts which may adversely affect the planned implementation of a project.

4.3 Contact information

For further information on *The Norwegian Cooperation Programme in Higher Education with Russia* or how to apply, please contact SIU via email (<u>russia@siu.no</u>) or by telephone (+47 55 30 38 00).

Attachment 1 – Budget guidelines

Project budgets will be assessed on basis of their cost-effectiveness and reasonableness. The official Norwegian travel regulations (*Statens reiseregulativ*) will be used as a starting point in SIU's assessment of the reasonableness of budgeted travel and accommodation costs. When available, moderately priced alternatives for travel and accommodation must be chosen. Please explain the budgeted amounts as necessary in the *Comments* fields in the application.

Student mobility

The tables below describe eligible costs that may be included in project applications with regard to incoming/outgoing student mobility related to each of the eligible levels of education (Bachelor/Master/PhD).

Mobility up to 4 weeks

	Bachelor, Master and PhD	
To/from Norway	Project applications may include accommodation and living costs for students related to the planned project activities (e.g. intensive courses, field work, workshops, supervision, research activities, excursions, work placements, etc.).	

	Mobility exceeding 4 weeks						
	Bachelor/Master	PhD					
	Project applications may include	Project applications may include					
	scholarships to cover accommodation	accommodation and living costs					
To Norway	and living costs for students up to the	associated with the PhD students stay in					
	applicable rate set by the Norwegian	Norway up to the applicable monthly					
	State Educational Loan Fund. In 2017/18	rate set by the Norwegian Research					
	the monthly rate is NOK 10 634.	Council («Overseas Research Grants»)					
		for individuals. In 2017 the rate is NOK					
		16 000. Additional grants for dependents					
		are not given.					
	Project applications may include	Project applications may include					
From Norway	scholarships to cover costs which are not	specified cost items which are not					
	covered by student funding attainable	covered by other external funding, up to					
	from the State Educational Loan Fund.	the applicable monthly rate <u>set by the</u>					
	Such extra costs are limited to NOK	Norwegian Research Council («Overseas					
	6 000 per student per month. These	Research Grants») for individuals. In					
	rates also apply to international mobility	2017 the rate is NOK 16 000. Additional					
	for work placements.	grants for dependents are not given.					

Mobility exceeding 4 weeks

The rates for student accommodation and living costs are based on rates and net amounts paid out to students from the State Educational Loan Fund (Bachelor/Master) and the Norwegian Research Council (PhD). The rates cover the individual student's costs, and additional funding for dependents/family

members may not be included in the budget. As the relevant rates are adjusted annually according to the retail price inflation, the rates may be adjusted accordingly for coming years.

Travel, visa and insurance costs incurred in connection with student mobility may be supported if not covered by funding attainable from the State Education Loan Fund or other external funding sources.

Please ensure that the project budget distinguishes between mobility up to 4 weeks and mobility exceeding 4 weeks.

Travel costs for staff

Projects may include reasonable travel costs and expenses for academic and administrative staff related to the project activities. Please note the general guidelines set out above regarding reasonableness and cost levels.

Infrastructure and scientific equipment

Please note that investments in scientific equipment and infrastructure may not be included in the application. The same applies to costs related to research activities *not clearly linked to* educational activities at Master's and PhD level. However, software, lab fees and consumables related to students' research may be included to a reasonable extent.

Project related salary costs and indirect costs

The aggregate cost of salaries, remuneration of consultants, honorariums and indirect costs involved in a project may not exceed 20 per cent of the total project budget. Indirect expenses should normally not exceed 5 percent of the total project budget. The amount may be shared among the project partners, based on agreement between the partners. Please specify how these costs have been calculated and how many months of work will be carried out by whom on basis of the costs budgeted.

All such costs must be included under the budget item "Salary and indirect costs", not as part of the individual activities.

Attachment 2 – Guidelines for applicants

INTRODUCTION

The following guidelines are designed to aid applicants in preparing their applications for three-year **project funding** under The Norwegian Cooperation Programme in Higher Education with Russia.

Applications must be submitted via SIU's online system for applications and reporting, «Espresso». Espresso may be accessed at <u>espresso.siu.no</u>, where the application forms are available in the English language. New users will be required to create a personal user account via the *Register* link at the login page. Existing users may use their existing user name and password. If you have forgotten your password, please follow the *New password* link at the login page. Once logged in, you will have access to the currently available Calls for applications from SIU.

Please note that applications submitted in other formats will not be considered by SIU.

You can at any point before submission save your application and continue at a later stage. Remember to submit before the application deadline. If you need to make changes after submission, please refer to the guidelines under «Submission».

These guidelines follow the same structure as the online application form in Espresso, and are therefore divided into the following sections: «Start», Sections «A» through «E», a «Preview» section, and a section for «Submission» of the application.

«START» | General project information and administration rights

Project number

The project number is the identification key for your individual project proposal, and is automatically generated by the system.

Project title

The project title will follow your application throughout the application process, and should therefore be designed to give a short an informative description of the project.

Project editor access

Project editor access is access to edit the contents of your application. As a default, the editor access rests with the project coordinator. The project coordinator may however grant editor access to up to four other registered Espresso users.

Project read access

Project read access is access to view the contents of your application (including attachments), but not edit its contents. The project coordinator may however grant read access to an unrestricted number of other registered Espresso users.

SECTION «A» | Partnership information

A.1 Main partner institution in Norway

A.1.1 Main partner institution in Norway (IiN)

In this field, provide the name of the main partner institution in Norway. The names of eligible partner institutions in Norway are retrieved via the search function. Please contact SIU if you do not find your institution via the search function.

A.1.2 Department (IiN)

In this field, please select the unit (department level or above) where the project will be administratively located. Please choose a predefined department, or manually type in the name of the department/unit if it is not listed. If multiple departments/units will be involved in the project implementation, please choose the department most involved with the project implementation.

A.1.3 Head of department (IiN)

In this field you are asked to provide the name of the head of the institutional department/unit at the main partner institution in Norway where the project will be administratively located.

A.1.4 Project coordinator (IiN)

This field asks for the name and relevant information of the project coordinator at the IiN. Please note that a *curriculum vitae* (CV) is mandatory for project coordinators. CVs may be uploaded as an attachment in section A.6. Uploaded CVs should not be longer than four (4) pages.

A.2 Main partner institution outside Norway

A.2.1 Main partner institution outside Norway (IoN)

In this field, provide the name (in English) of the main partner institution outside Norway. If the relevant institution is not found via the search function, you may add the institution by pressing the «Add Institution» button. Please make sure that the institution's name is correctly spelled if you add a new institution.

Please note that the main partner institution must be an accredited higher education institution in one of the partner countries as defined in the relevant call for applications. The main partner institution outside Norway should provide education relevant to the project and at a level comparable to what is offered at the main partner institution in Norway.

A.2.2 Department (IoN)

In this field, please select the unit (department level or above) where the project will be administratively located. Please choose a predefined department, or manually type in the name of the department/unit if it is not listed. If multiple departments/units will be involved in the project implementation, please choose the department most involved with the project implementation.

A.2.3 Head of department (IoN)

In this field you are asked to provide the name of the head of the institutional department/unit at the main partner institution outside Norway where the project will be administratively located.

A.2.4 Project coordinator (IoN)

This field asks for the name and relevant information of the project coordinator at the IoN. Please note that a *curriculum vitae* (CV) is mandatory for project coordinators. CVs may be uploaded as an attachment in section A.6. Uploaded CVs should not be longer than four (4) pages.

A.3 Network partners

List of network partners

Network partners are other partners involved in the project than the Institution in Norway and the Institution outside Norway (cf. items A.1 and A.2). This may be private or public enterprises, other higher education institutions, research institutes, non-governmental organisations (NGOs) or other relevant organisations.

Network partners involved in your project may be added through the «Add new partner» button. Please provide a contact person for each network partner included in the project. Letter of commitment from network partner(s) must be uploaded in section A.6.

A.4 Participants in the project

This part of the application form asks for a list of the academic and administrative staff members and other participants directly involved in the project. Project coordinators (liN and IoN) and contact persons (network partners) already registered in section A.1 - A.3 need not be included here. The purpose of this field is to demonstrate the reach and institutionalisation of the project.

Composition of the project team

Projects are asked to describe what considerations have been made in the composition of the project team from all project partners. Please also describe how aspects relating to gender balance have been assessed and implemented in the project, e.g. in the composition of involved personnel and recruitment strategies for students, and other aspects of the project where gender balance is relevant.

A.5 Fields of education and training

Please list the fields of education and training to which the project is related. This information will only be used by SIU for statistical purposes. The list is based on the International Standard Classification of Education (ISCED F2013).

A.6 Attachments

In this section, applicants must upload the following attachments **before** submitting the application:

- A letter of commitment from your main partner institution outside Norway
- A curriculum vitae (CV) for project coordinators. Uploaded CVs are not to exceed 4 pages.
- A *letter of commitment* from each network partner in the project (if relevant)

All attachments must be uploaded in an appropriate format (e.g. .pdf, .doc, .docx or .jpg).

Applications without CVs from the coordinators at IiN and IoN and the required letter(s) of commitment will not be processed.

Please note that non-required attachments will not be taken into consideration.

What is a letter of commitment?

A letter of commitment is a formal document where a project partner commits itself to participate in and contribute to the project. It should contain information that is as specific as possible with regard to what resources (funds, work hours, equipment, premises, etc.) the partner will contribute to the project. It should be signed by a person authorised to enter into such commitments on behalf of the partner. This may be a Head of Department, a Dean of the Faculty, a Director (one of a group of senior managers who run an enterprise) or another person authorised to enter into such commitments.

SECTION «B» | Information on the project

B.1 Project summary

Please provide a short summary of your project.

The summary should mention the goals of the project, the main activities that will be implemented and which institutions/partners are involved. It should also give a brief description of the expected results of the project. The project summary will be published in SIU's project database and will be publicly available on SIU's website. It may also be used by SIU in reports and publications related to the programme. Word limit: 250.

B.2 Background information

B.2.1 History of cooperation

Please give a brief description of the history of cooperation between the project partners. In this field, applicants are asked to outline how and when the partnership was established and why the project partners were chosen.

Please describe how the project is linked to strategies and priorities of the project partners. In this field, applicants are asked to outline how the project is linked to international, academic or other strategies and priorities of each of the project partners in Norway and Russia.

B.2.2 Previous and parallel funding

Is the proposed project related to any projects and/or activities currently or previously funded by SIU or other funding agencies? If yes, please briefly describe the project(s) and/or activities, including project identification numbers.

Have the project partners applied for funding for any of the project activities listed in this application through other programmes administered by SIU or other funding agencies? If yes, please list the relevant programmes.

B.3 Project design

B.3.1 Main objective, expected outcomes and outputs

B.3.1.1 Target group

Who is the project targeting?

Please define one or more target groups in focus of the project. Target groups are the particular groups of people or institutions/organisations that are meant to benefit from the project.

B.3.1.2 Main objective

What is the main objective of the project?

Please state one main objective for the proposed project. Keep in mind that the main objective should be relevant to the overall objective and expected outcomes of the programme, as listed in the Call for applications.

B.3.1.3 Project outcomes

Please describe the expected project outcomes.

In this field you are asked to describe the expected outcomes of the project. The project outcomes are the effects of the project for the defined target group(s) during the project period or shortly after.

B.3.1.4 Expected output

Please describe the expected outputs of the project.

Please provide a description of the expected outputs of the project and be as specific as possible. Project outputs are the final measurable results achieved upon successful completion of a project. SIU will monitor project outputs and the degree to which they contribute to achieve the expected outcomes of the programme.

B.3.1.5 Current situation

Please describe the current situation, which the project is designed to change or improve. Here you are asked to provide a description of the current situation in the area addressed by the project, and which the project is designed to change or improve. If relevant, you may include baseline values.

B.3.2 Work plan

B.3.2.1 Work plan

Please provide a brief work plan for the project.

A brief work plan for the project (schedule, milestones, etc.) is to be provided here. Please also describe how the milestones in the work plan are linked to the expected outputs of the project.

If activities are closely integrated, you may present the activities as work packages or sub-projects. Please note that a more detailed description of each activity is to be provided in section D of this application form, together with a budget for each activity/work package. If organised as work packages, they should also be reflected in the presentation of activities in section D.

B.3.2.2 Contribution from partners

Please describe how each of the project partners (including any network partners) will contribute to the project.

Please describe what each partner (including any network partners) will contribute (e.g. knowledge, competence, experience, infrastructure, etc.) in order to achieve the anticipated project outputs and

effects on target groups. The division of responsibilities and tasks between the project partners is also to be described here.

B.3.3 Standard indicators

The standard indicators will be used to monitor the progress of the projects, and to generate aggregated data on a programme level.

B.3.3.1 Student mobility

Please provide information about planned mobility of students that will be partly or fully funded by the project. Any movement of students across country borders, irrespective of duration, is counted as a mobility.

B.3.3.2 Courses/programmes

Please provide information about new courses or degree programmes to be developed through the project. Summer schools should also be included. Existing courses or degree programmes which will be revised as a result of the collaboration may also be registered.

B.4 Assessment of sustainability and risks

B.4.1 Risk assessment

Please describe potential risk factors that may impede successful implementation of the project, and how the effects of such risks may be mitigated.

Please reflect upon potential risks and difficulties which you foresee and which may impede implementation of the project or a part of the project. Examples of risk factors that may impede the implementation of a project are difficulties in the recruitment of students and staff, time constraints, language and cultural barriers, etc. For each risk factor identified, you should also explain what measures you plan to implement to avoid or mitigate the effects of the risk.

Cross-cutting issues

SIU emphasises the importance of gender equality, inclusive practices and anti-corruption measures in all project activities. In this field you are asked to describe how the project partners plan to secure these issues during the implementation of the proposed project.

B.4.2 Sustainability

Sustainability of results, collaboration, and student mobility

Please assess to what extent the expected project outputs and effects on target groups will be sustained after the project has ended. Also explain how the project will enhance long-term collaboration and increase student mobility (including mobility in connection with work placements or practical training) between the partners.

SECTION «C» | Activities to be supported

C.1 Please indicate type(s) of project activities in the project by ticking the boxes below

In this section, you are asked to indicate what type of activities will be involved in the project. For each category ticked off, a separate subsection under SECTION «D» will be included in the application form, containing further questions regarding the particular activities falling into that category. You can choose one or more of these three categories: *Project development, Implementation of joint educational activities and Implementation of educationally relevant cooperation with non-academic partners*.

SECTION «D» | Project activities and budgetary allocations

In this section, please specify the activities included in the project, and provide an appropriate budget allocation for each activity. If some of your project activities are closely integrated, you may group them together under one activity budget as a work package or sub-project.

Please note that any allocations related to travel expenses should be detailed in the comment section under each activity, including destination, number of persons travelling, purpose, and duration.

Please refer to the *Budget guidelines* for more detailed guidelines for budgetary allocations.

D.1 Project development

This category covers activities related to development and promotion of the project's educational activities. Examples of such development/promotion activities may be:

- International project meetings necessary to coordinate the project throughout the project period
- Joint curriculum development
- Joint development of courses, study programs and degrees
- Development of new educational materials and methods, including digital content and tools
- Dissemination activities
- Other activities

D.2 Implementation of educational activities

This category covers implementation of the project's joint educational activities. Examples of such joint educational activities may be:

- Student mobility
- Student participation in research activities/projects
- Joint teaching and supervision, incl. guest lecturing
- Joint project assignment for students
- Intensive courses, field courses and summer schools

- Workshops/seminars
- Joint semester courses
- Courses/trainings/study visits for academic and administrative staff
- Other activities

D.3 Collaboration with non-academic partners

This category covers activities directed towards collaboration with non-academic partners in Norway or in a relevant partner country (as specified in the Call for proposals). Examples of such collaboration activities may be:

- Implementation of student work placements, internships or trainee arrangements
- Facilitation of student involvement in R&D projects and/or involvement of non-academic partners in student projects
- Facilitation of student entrepreneurship or innovation projects
- Guest lecturing, workshops and seminars involving lecturers, supervisors or advisors from nonacademic partners
- Other activities

SECTION «E» | Budget

Each activity in the project must be included and budgeted for in the correct section of the application (Project development, Implementation of education activities, or Collaboration with non-academic partners, cf. Section C). All travel and mobility funding must be clearly linked to educationally relevant activities. The budget in the application shall only include funds applied for through SIU.

Project related salary costs and indirect costs

The aggregate cost of salaries, remuneration of consultants, honorariums and indirect costs involved in a project may not exceed 20 per cent of the total project budget. Indirect costs should normally not exceed 5 percent of the total project budget. The amount may be shared among the project partners, based on agreement between the partners. Please specify how these costs have been calculated and how many months of work will be carried out by whom on basis of the costs budgeted.

All such costs must be included under the budget item "Salary and indirect costs", not as part of the individual activities.

Comments to the budget

If you have further comments to the overall budget, you may also include them here. Please note that comments specifying the individual budget items are to be provided in the mini-budgets for each activity.

«CONFIRMATION»

In this section, applicants are required to confirm that letter(s) of commitment from relevant project partners have been attached, that the information provided in the application is in all respects correct, and that the application is approved at the appropriate administrative and academic levels at the Institution in Norway.

«SUBMISSION»

In this section, applicants can submit the application. If any of the required fields in previous sections have not been filled in, you will have to go back to the relevant section and complete such fields before you can submit your application.

If you need to make changes to the application after submission, you may do so up to the final deadline. Please request that SIU reopens the application by sending an e-mail to <u>russia@siu.no</u>. Please allow sufficient time for SIU to respond to this request. SIU cannot guarantee that requests made on the day of the submission deadline will be responded to with sufficient time to make the changes and resubmit. When you have completed your application and are ready to submit, please press the «Submit» button to deliver your application to SIU.