



## **EAAV Research Grant**

The **EAAV Research Grant** is intended to support the funding of avian veterinary research. The European Association of Avian Veterinarians (EAAV) invites complete application documents for up-to-date research in this field. The intention of the competitive grant is to support the most promising research project. Proposals need to be submitted by the project leader (director/head) including a CV, list of publications of the main persons involved, a blinded sketch of project (introduction, review of literature, material and methods, goals), a working plan including a time schedule, and a financing plan.

The proposal has to be submitted online via the online application form "EAAV Research Grant" as published on the EAAV website (<https://eaavonline.org/>). All proposals have to be in British English. The project leader (director/head) submitting the proposal will act as the corresponding person.

Each project will be evaluated by two external experts for importance for the field, soundness of experimental design, feasibility, and probability of success. The external experts must have a deep expertise in the field of the proposed project, and will be selected individually for each project by the EAAV President. The task of the reviewers includes a report and recommendation. These reports are intended to help the selective committee in decision finding, especially to avoid the vote for a project with a methodological deficiencies. Based on the advice of the external experts the selective committee will choose the recipient.

The selective committee consists of seven persons in total, three members of the EAAV Board (president, vice-president, officer of EAAV Gerlach Gylstorff Fund), three members of the scientific committee for avian medicine of the International Conference on Avian, Herpetological and Exotic Mammal Medicine (SC) (e.g. chair, junior vice chair, senior vice chair). In case committee members are involved in a proposed project or positions are accumulated in one person, the EAAV President or the chairperson of the SC nominates proxies depending of which group the replacement is needed.

In case of detection of a severe mistake (methodological, ethical or similar) each member of the selective committee has a right of veto.

The prize money depends on the application, but the EAAV Research Grant is limited to maximum 10.000 Euros.

Deadline for submission is at least eight weeks before the start of the intended project.

The grant will be awarded by the EAAV President on the upcoming ICARE. However, the project can be started immediately after the positive decision letter has been sent. In return the beneficiary accept the duty to give a talk in the avian session of the upcoming ICARE and to write a report about the scientific project for the benefit of their colleagues printed in the EAAV newsletter. In this report, paper and talk the EAAV needs to be mentioned specifically as the funding source.