## Guidance – Application submission in the FHF portal

- Application submission guidance for FHF's new digital portal.
- Log in to the portal here: <a href="https://app.fhf.no">https://app.fhf.no</a>
- Log in through BankID, where you search up and associate to your organisation/employer.
- Note Calls will continue to be published on <a href="www.fhf.no">www.fhf.no</a> and announced through newsletters, SoMe etc. By clicking on calls from fhf.no, you will be redirected to respective call in the portal.



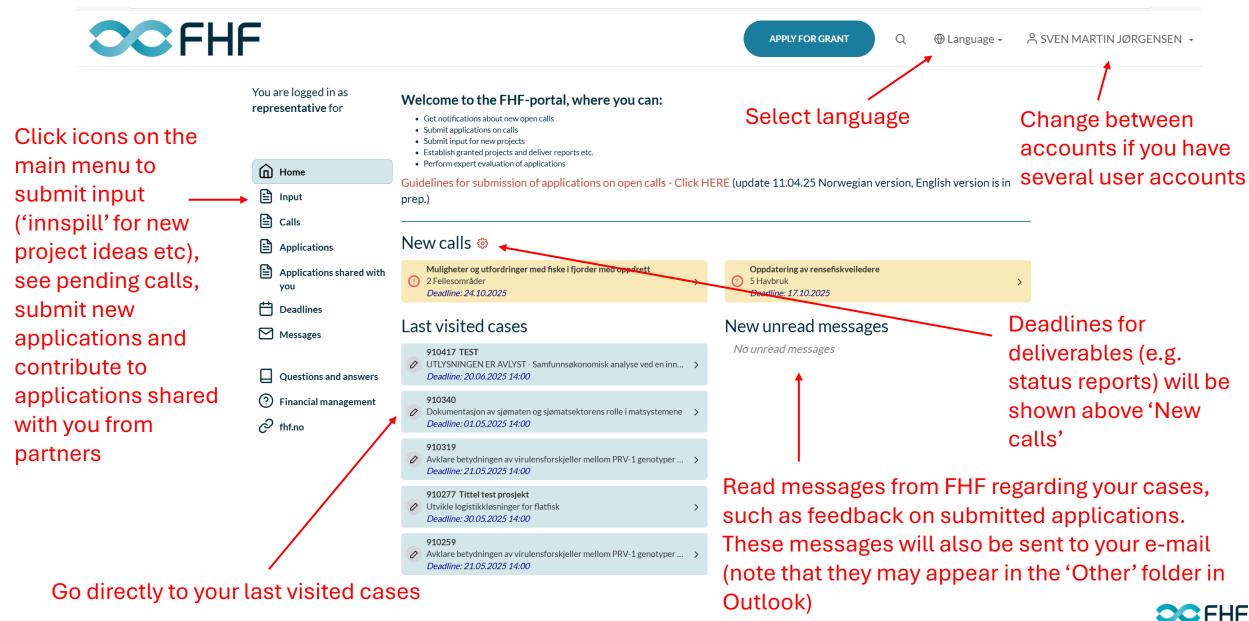
# General information on setup/functionality

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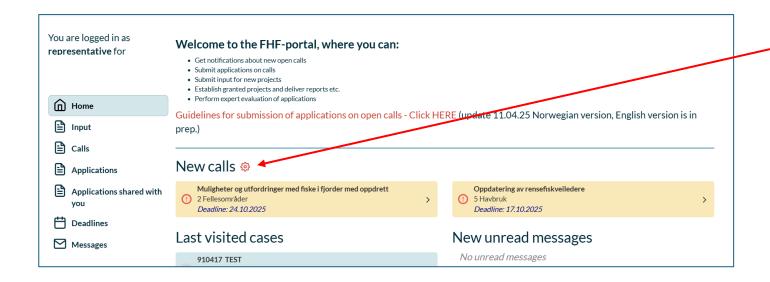


### INFORMATION ABOUT HOME PAGE

### After log in you will enter the portal's «home window»:



#### SUBSCRIBE TO NOTIFICATIONS - NEW CALLS



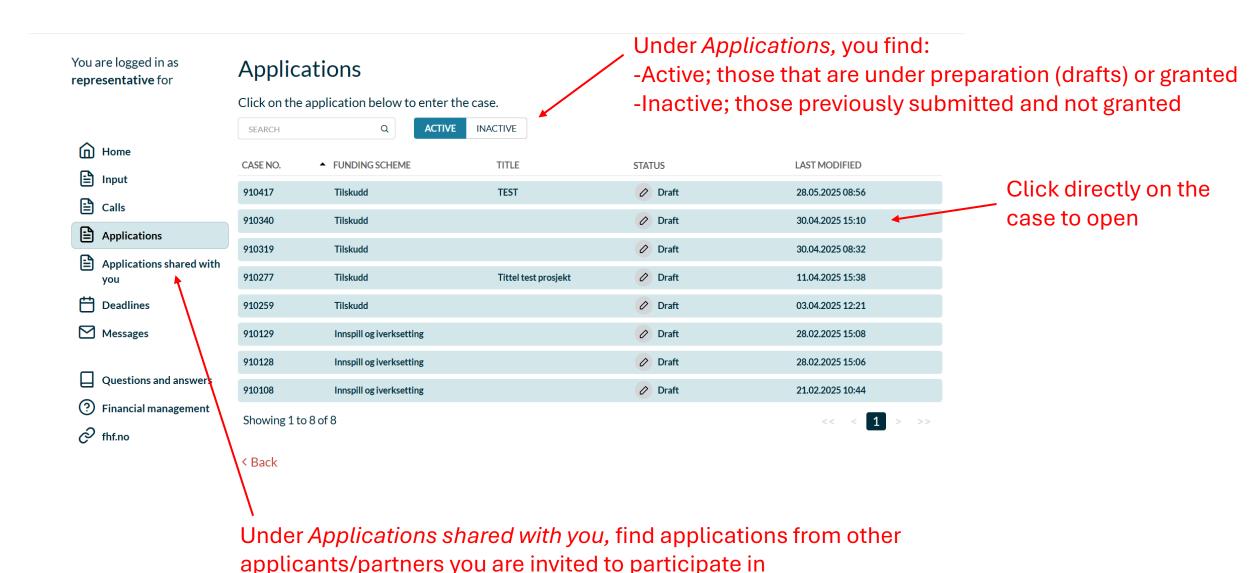
Register notifications about new calls by clicking on the configuration wheel next to 'new calls'

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Under «My profile» you can select which category under the different FHF areas (pelagic, whitefish, aquaculture, common areas) you would like to be notified when new calls are published in the portal. Remember to SAVE before closing.

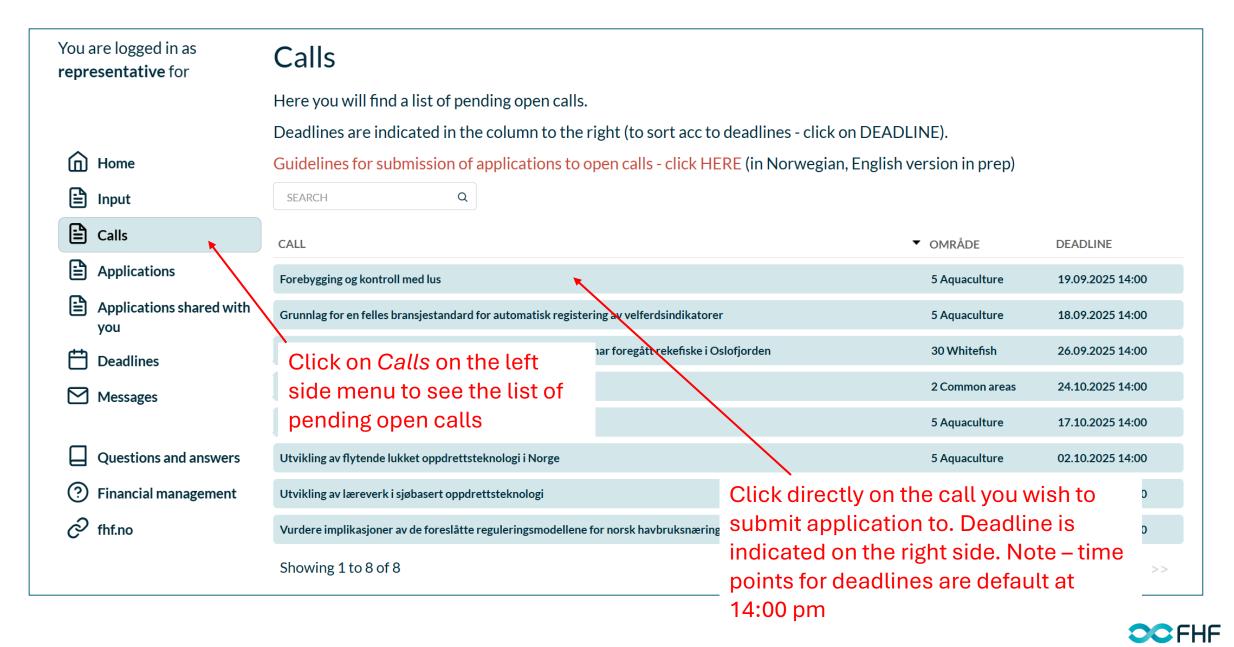


### **IMFORMATION ABOUT MENU OPTIONS – APPLICATIONS**





### **IMFORMATION ABOUT MENU OPTIONS - CALLS**



### **CALL TEXT & CREATING AN APPLICATION**

#### Utvikling av flytende lukket oppdrettsteknologi i Norge

Deadline 02.10.2025 14:00

FHF lyser ut inntil 20 mill. kroner for å framskaffe kunnskap av betydning for utvikling av flytende lukket/semi-lukket oppdrettsteknologi for laksefisk i Norge

#### Type konkurranse:

Apen utlysning FoU (Forskning og Utvikling)

#### Område:

5 Havbruk

#### Ansvarlig saksbehandler:

Jørund Larsen

#### Økonomisk ramme

Fastsatt ramme

#### Utlyst beløp (NOK)

20000000

#### Søkeropplysning FOU:

Søkere kan være universitets- og høgskolesektoren, forskningsinstitutter, forskningsmiljøer og bedrifter i sjømatnæringen. Tilsagnsmottaker må være et FoU-miljø, som også skal ha prosjektledelsen.

#### Offentliggjøring:

19.06.2025

#### Frist for innsending av søknad:

02.10.2025

#### Tilbakemelding til søkere om resultat av evaluering

Oktober 2025

#### Tidligst oppstart av prosjekt

November 2025

#### Problemstilling:

Det er stor interesse for å utvikle flytende lukket/semi-lukket oppdrettsteknologi (FLO) som en viktig produksjonsform for FHFs forbehold:

- FHF kan avvise prosjektforslag som ikke oppfyller utlysningens målsetting eller FHFs formalkrav.
- FHF kan be om avklaringer før og under evalueringen.
- FHF kan avlyse eller foreta ny utlysning
- FHF kan forespørre søkere om å samarbeide om prosjektgjennomføringen hvis det er viktig for den totale prosjektkvalitører
- FHF kan bruke ekstern kompetanse ved vurdering av søknader.
- FHF kan gjenbruke hovedinformasjon om innvilgede prosjekt på FHFs nettsider

#### Behandling av søknader:

- Søknadene rangeres basert på karaktersetting av evalueringskriteriene.
- En innstilling besluttes av FHF ut fra en totalvurdering av kriteriene.
- Søkere som besluttes tildelt støtte vil underrettes. Forutsetninger for tilsagn presenteres og valgtig milijø(er) får en frist til å
  akseptere/avslå å delta i videre løp. NB Tilsagn gis ikke på dette stadiet.
- For PIB: Før tilsagn kan gis, må det utarbeides en signert forpliktende samarbeidsavtale mell im partene i prosjektet som regulerer rettigheter og plikter.
- FHF gir tilsagn til valgt(e) søker(e) der FHFs gjeldende Standardvilkår på tilsagnstidspyriktet legges til grunn.
- · For PIB: Tilsagn til PIB-prosjekter gis ihht Statsstøtteregelverket.
- Etter endelig beslutning om tildeling av prosjekt vil alle søkere bli varslet om utf

#### Vurderingskriterier:

- · Prosjektforslagets relevans: 1.00
- Næringsnytte: 0.80
- Gjennomføringsplan: 0.80
- Bidrag til bærekraft: 0.60
   Giennomføringsevne: 0.70
- Tilknytning til andre prosjekter/aktiviteter: 0.30
- Formidlingsplan: 0.50
- Budsjett og økonomisk ramme: 0.50
   Søknadens vurderbarhet og dokumentkvalite

#### Vedlegg:

FHFs Standardvilkår: https://www.fhf.nc/prosjekter/prosjektdokumente

Mandat og retningslinjer for referantegrupper i FHF; https://www.fhf.no/prosjekter/prosjektdokumenter

The next window shows details for the respective call, similar to the previous call texts on FHF's website.

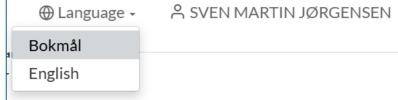
Note - Text is currently in Norwegian only, but will be translated in the future.

At the bottom of the page click **Create new application** 

**C** CREATE NEW APPLICATION

Note that this can be opened in a new window (rightclick on mouse) in order to read the call text in a separate window than the submission form

Before creating an application you can select preferred language (Norwegian or English). This can be changed at any point during writing – click *Language* (top-right side of window):





#### INFORMATION ABOUT FUNDING SCHEMES



There are two funding schemes; R&D calls and Prosjekt-i-Bedrift (PIB - 'Project in company') calls.

Relevant scheme for the call is announced under the field «Type konkurranse».

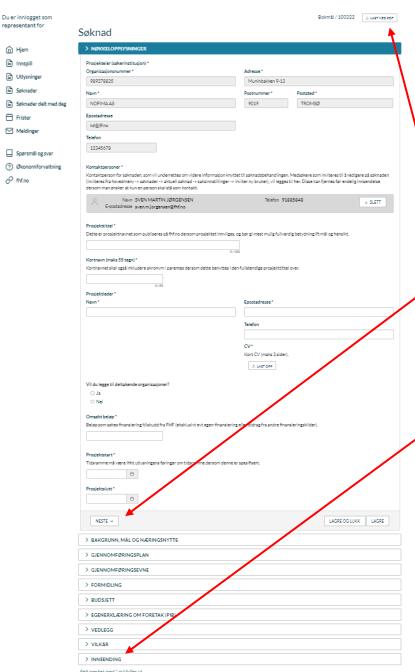
Each scheme has specific eligibility criteria for applicants, as described under the field «Søkeropplysning».

### **Requirements on funding:**

- R&D calls FHF may grant up to 100% of expenses.
- PIB calls FHF may grant up to 50% of expenses for companies according to Statsstøtteregelverket (acc. to EØS deal). For R&D partners involved, FHF may fund up to 100% of expenses.
- More information about PIB is here



### **NAVIGATION IN THE APPLICATION FORM**



In the application form, access all required fields by scrolling down the page.

Move between the main fields by **directly clicking on them** or fill in chronologically and click the «Neste»
(next) button down left on each field, or click the
«Forrige» (former) button to navigate back to former field.

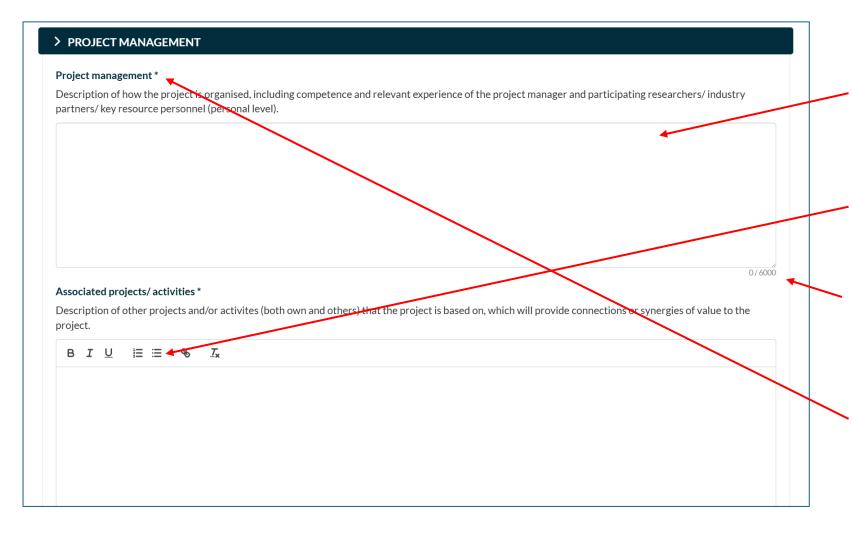


The last field «Innsending» (submission) is the final stage to be approved before submission. It is however still possible to upload the application and edit, as long as the deadline has not passed.

On top of the page (to the right) there is option to download a pdf copy of the a



#### TEXT FIELDS IN THE APPLICATION FORM



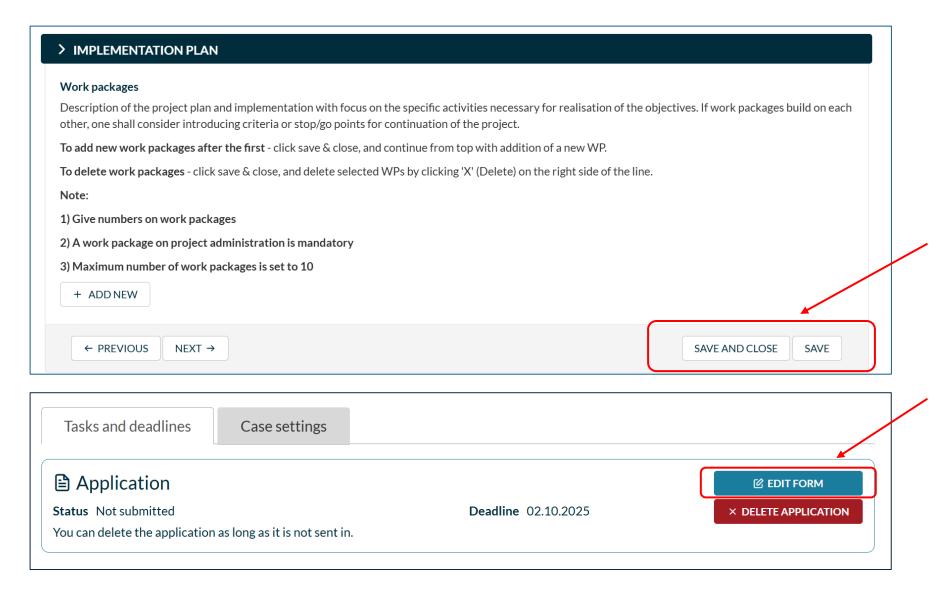
The form has two types of text fields; either a free text field (top example) or optional between free text or bullet-point/number text entries (below example). To insert bullet-points/numbers, click on the corresponding icon on the bar before text entry (see arrow).

Note the **maximum number of letters** given for each text field. The
text will be marked in red if exceeded.

Most fields are mandatory to fill out (marked with asterix \*)



### SAVING AND CLOSURE OF APPLICATION FORM



The system will at regular intervals save the draft application automatically. You may also actively save by clicking the save button.

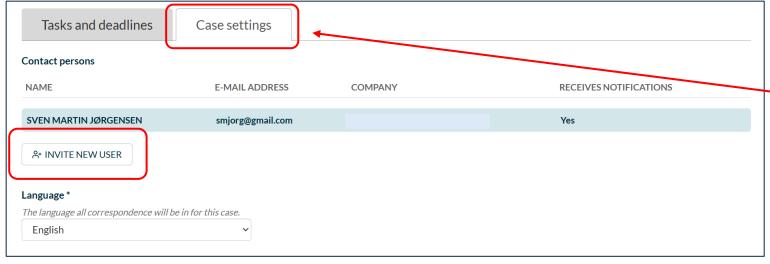
You may at any time exit the application by clicking «Save and close».

To continue filling out the application, access it through the side menu «Applications», and click «Edit form».

If you click «Delete application», a warning will appear where you can confirm or reject.



### **INVITE PARTNERS TO APPLICATIONS**



En invitert bruker vil motta en e-post med instrukser for å logge inn med sin nye konto. Alle felter må fylles ut.

First name \*

Last name \*

Email address \*

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Organization type \*

Norwegian Organization registered in Enhetsregisteret

Norwegian Organization without organization number

Foreign organization

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SEND INVITATION

Partners (co-applicants) can be invited to edit the application. Click on the respective application and choose the tab Case settings. Then click Invite new user and select the appropriate language for the correspondence.

A new window will appear where name, e-mail and organisation is filled out. You may also select if co-applicant should recieve notifications on the case, such as results of the evaluation.

Finally click *Send invitation* and coapplicant will recieve an e-mail regarding the case.

Co-applicants will access the application under «Applications shared with you» on the main menu.

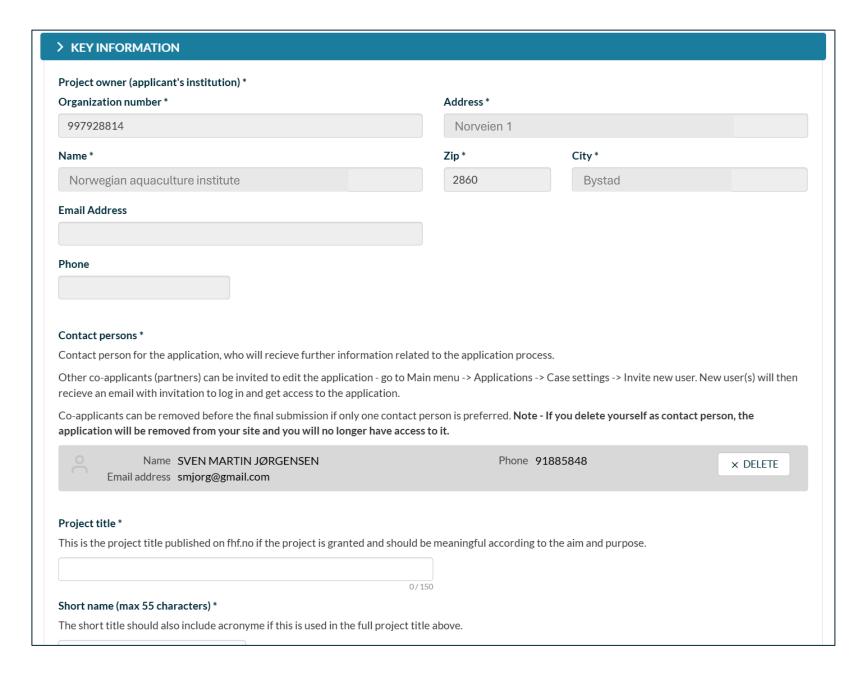


# Instructions for completing the application

Field by field in chronological order



#### **KEY INFORMATION**

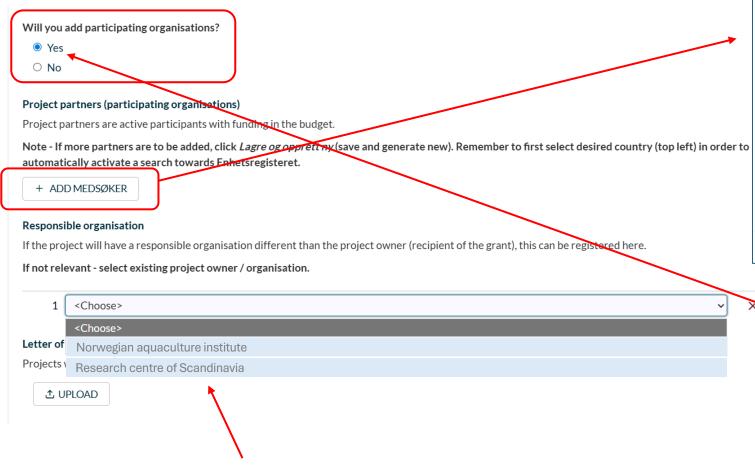


Your affiliation will automatically be set up as the project owner and you will also be the contact person, hence recieve information related to the evaluation and outcome of the application.

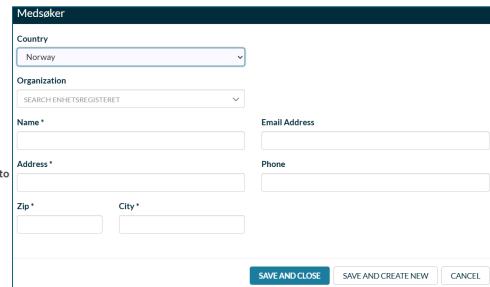
Pay attention to the information regarding deleting yourself as contact person, which will result in its removal from your portal. If you click delete, you must first ensure that other co-applicants have been added and can access the application (a warning will appear where you must actively confirm your deletion).



### **KEY INFORMATION (cont.)**



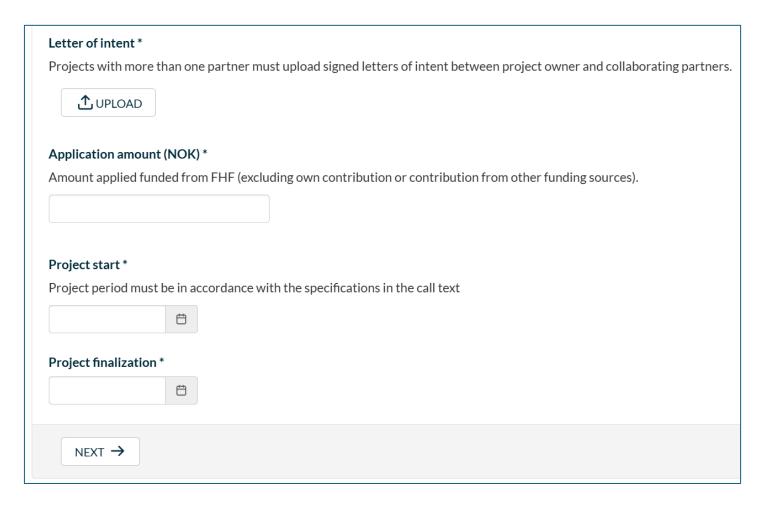
In some cases, you may want an organisation other than the recipient of a potential grant to be professionally responsible for the project. This is selected from a dropdown menu under the 'Responsible Organisation' field, where all partners will be available for selection.



- -Your may add project partners by ticking off «yes» and click «+Add medsøker». Partners (medsøker) can be searched up and added by clicking Save and close (window example above).
- -For addition of several partners, click Save and create new.
- -Remember to select correct country before searching for an organisation.



### **KEY INFORMATION (cont.)**



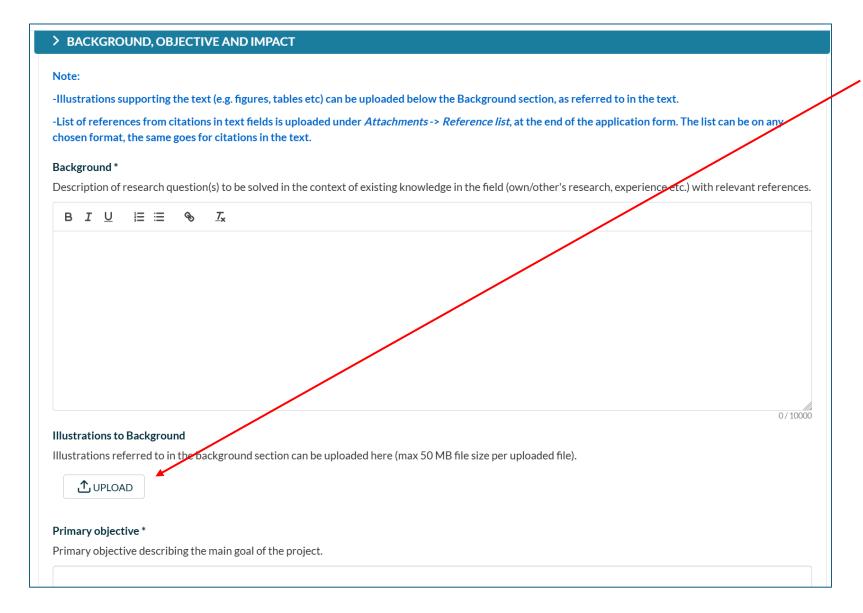
Please note that it is mandatory to upload letters of intent (i.e., not legally binding contracts) regarding the project collaboration for all project partners who have cost items in the budget.

The applied amount is the sum sought funding from FHF, without any potential own-financing/contribution from the project partners. For calls with an **OPEN financial frame**, the amount applied for must be entered here **BEFORE** the budget is entered.

The **project's timeframe** must be in accordance with what is specified for the call. Please note that the timeframe is not 'carried over' to other time fields further down in the form, under the implementation plan (work packages) and budget (costs per work package).



### **BACKGROUND, OBJECTIVE AND IMPACT**



Please note the help text in blue regarding the upload of any illustrations that are referenced in the text. These should be uploaded directly under the "Background" section (max 50 MB per file).

The reference list should be uploaded as a separate attachment at the bottom of the application form (Attachments section).

Please note that the background section has a limit of 10,000 characters including spaces. The text editor is limited to bold, italic, and underlined text. Unfortunately, superscript and subscript are not currently possible. Any URL links can be added by clicking this icon:





### **BACKGROUND, OBJECTIVE AND IMPACT**

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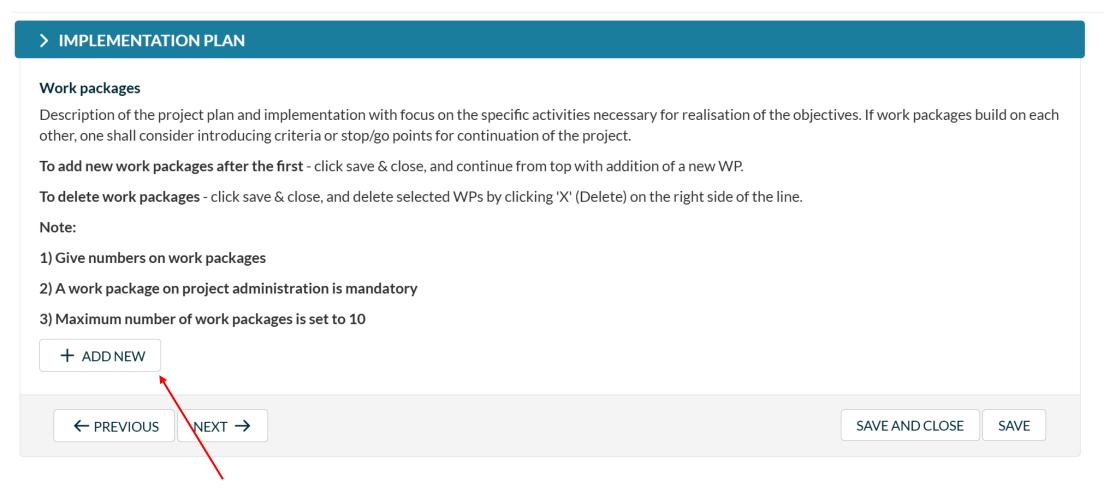
Please note that there is a separate field for the project's contribution to sustainability, with checkboxes for possible effects related to the EU taxonomy objectives.

An explanation of the objectives can be found by referring to a separate website (link).

The project's most important contributions to environmental goals and its effect on sustainability are explained in the text box below. Remember to also consider the possible effects of the project's operation, such as measures for reduced climate emissions related to travel, reuse of materials, lab animals/samples, etc.



#### IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

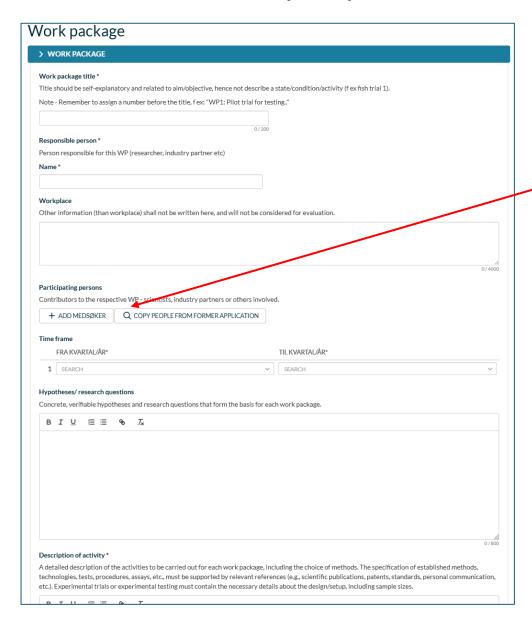


The implementation plan is structured into work packages, where you must click "+ Add new" to create the first work package.

Please note that a work package for project management/administration is mandatory.



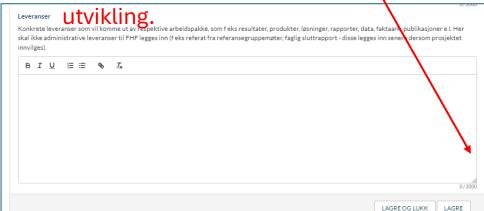
### **IMPLEMENTATION PLAN (cont.)**



For each work package, a new window will now appear with various text fields to be filled out for each work package. Remember to give numbers on each WP (as a prefix before the title).

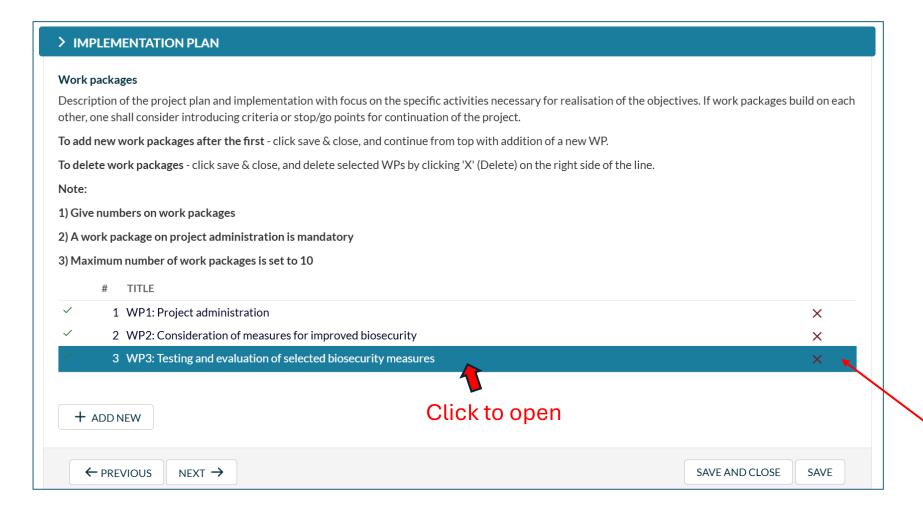
You can add people who will participate in the work package by clicking "Add co-applicant (medsøker)." People who have been added previously can be automatically retrieved by clicking "Copy previous entry."

For å legge til neste arbeidspakke, må du klikke «Lagre og lukk» nederst på siden, før du igjen kan legge til ny. Her vil det komme en funksjon for «Lagre og opprett ny» etter hver arbeidspakke, men denne er under





### **IMPLEMENTATION PLAN (cont.)**



The work packages will be listed under the main field for the Implementation Plan after you have saved and closed.

However, please enter a number before the title of each work package.

To edit a work package that has already been added, click directly on it to open and edit.

Work packages can be removed by clicking the "X" field on the right. A warning window will appear for you to confirm the final deletion.



### **PROJECT MANAGEMENT**

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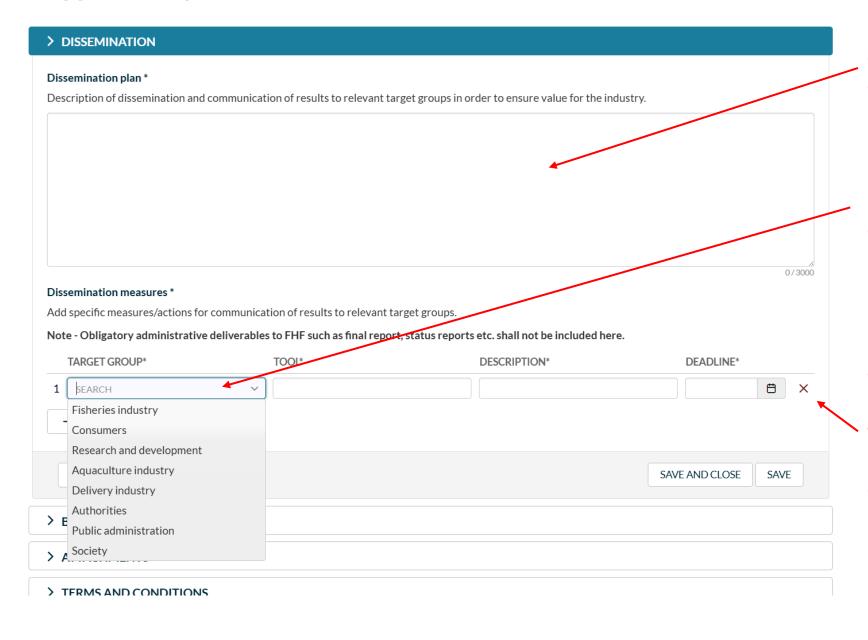
Under *Project management*, there are several text fields to fill out. Please see the help text for guidance.

Under Associated projects/activities, you may (in addition to free-text) add links to websites or other information pages for other projects if relevant (click the link icon to add).

In the last section *Openness and intellectual property*, you can explain
if there are any circumstances
related to, for example, patents or
IPR that should be considered
regarding the openness and
utilization of the results.



### **DISSEMINATION**



Under *Dissemination*, there is a freetext field for an overall description of the plans for disseminating and communicating the results.

Under Dissemination Measures, specific measures are entered with a target group, a tool/method, a short description, and a tentative deadline. Please note that you can't select multiple target groups per measure (a solution for this is being worked on).

The measures will be numbered and can be deleted by clicking the "X" on the right.

Please note that you should NOT enter administrative deliverables to FHF here.



### **BUDGET**

#### > BUDGET Applied amount (NOK) This is the sum to be granted from FHF excluding financing from other sources, for example own contribution from industrial partners. NOTE - For calls with OPEN economic frame the applied amount must first be typed inn under Key Information (the value will automatically be transferred here). Cost plan work packages \* Allocate costs in the funding plan to respective work packages. For the time being work package titles must be typed manually according to titles in the Implementation plan. WORK PACKAGE TITLE\* COST\* YEAR FROM<sup>5</sup> YEAR TO<sup>4</sup> + ADD ROW Salary costs Fill in number of manhours and hourly rate for each position category (drop down menu) per each partner and year. Choose OTHER POSITIONS if you don't find a relevant category. Click save to update the budget. YEAR\* PARTNER\* HOURLY RATE\* SALARY COSTS MANHOURS\* POSITION CATEGORY\* + ADD ROW Cost plan Fill in costs for other expenses per each partner and year. Click save to update the budget. SPECIFICATION TRAVEL SPECIFICATION OTHER OTHER COSTS\* TRAVEL COSTS\* YEAR\* PARTNER\* COSTS + ADD ROW Generate the funding plan by clicking "+ ADD ROW" and then uploading each partner and project year using the drop down menu. Click SAVE and sums are

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Further specify own financing or contribution from other funding sources per each row in the budget, if this is relevant. Own financing includes net own contribution, e.g. total project costs minus contribution from FHF, alternatively other funding sources. **Note - Even if there is no own contribution or conribtion** from other sources, these fields must be set to zero (0).

Applied amount does not equal the granted sum in the table above - please check the numbers (this field will disappear when correct numbers are filled in and cohere).

The budget is a comprehensive, but important, module. Amounts should be entered chronologically in the budget sections from top to bottom.

Click "Save" (at the bottom of the page) for continuous updates of the amounts being entered.

The **Cost plan** for the planned activities is entered at the work package level. Unfortunately, it is currently not possible to automatically retrieve WP titles from the implementation plan or the start/end years from the timeframe, but this feature will be implemented later.

In the **Salary costs**, you add the year and partner/participant (organization) from the drop-down menu and enter the number of manhours and hourly rate (which will be summed by the system in salary costs). Also select a position category from the drop-down menu. Choose "Other" if you can't find a suitable category.

In the **Cost plan** for other costs, remember to include expences to cover travels for the reference group (typically 3 people) in connection with a physical kick-off meeting and one annual meeting (to be entered for the project owner/grant recipient).

This error message will appear immediately but will be removed when the amounts between the fields/tables are reconciled (cf. the amount applied for, which is *automatically* retrieved from the previous section, under *Key Information*).

### **BUDGET (cont.)**

#### Funding plan

Generate the funding plan by clicking "+ ADD ROW" and then uploading each partner and project year using the drop down menu. Click SAVE and sums are automatically generated from tables above.

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	YEAR*	PARTNER*	GRANTED FROM FHF	GRANTED FROM OTHERS*	OWN- CONTRIBUTION	SALARY- I*COSTS	TRAVEL- COSTS	OTHER COSTS	TOTAL COSTS	
1	2025 ×		1 300 000	0	0	100 000	200 000	1 000 000	1 300 000	×
2	2026 ×	x,y,z	1 400 000	0	0	1 200 000	150 000	50 000	1 400 000	×
3	2025 ×		1 110 000	0	0	750 000	120 000	240 000	1 110 000	×
4	2026 ×		1 320 000	0	100 000	1 120 000	200 000	100 000	1 420 000	×
•	Total		5 130 000	0	100 000	3 170 000	670 000	1 390 000	5 230 000	

#### Financing summed up

+ ADD ROW

Autogenerated table based on numbers from budgets above.

PARTN	IER	GRANTS FROM FHF	GRANTS FROM OTHERS	OWN- CONTRIBUTION	DEGREE OF SUPPORT	SUM PROJECT COSTS
1		2 700 000		0	100	2 700 000
2	x,y,z	2 430 000		100 000	96	2530000
3		0		0		0
Total		5 130 000		0 100 800		5 230 000

#### Degree of support

Click save to autogenerate degree of support. Note: For PIB calls it is mandatory with at least 50% own financing from industry partners (not R&D institutions). Applicants are responsible for ensuring this, according to the laws of governmental support.

The Funding plan is created automatically by selecting each year and partner (both from a drop-down menu). Then, you enter any amounts that are financed from other funding sources or from own (in-kind) contributions. The latter is the net self-financing, meaning total project costs minus funding from FHF or any other funding sources.

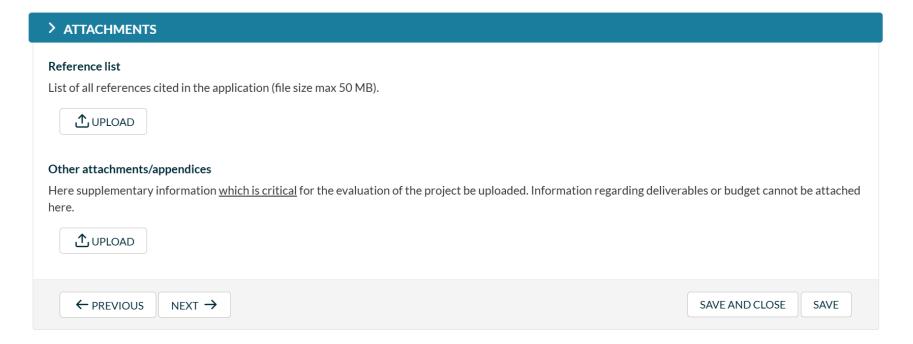
Note - If these amounts are 0, you must enter "0".

The Funding summed up is created automatically when amounts in other budget items/tables above have been entered.

If own (in-kind) contributions have been entered, this will be shown as a % support rate in the table below and in total at the bottom of the form. For PIB (project-incompany) projects, the maximum support rate is 50% (depending on organization type, se foil 8 further above).



### **ATTACHMENTS**



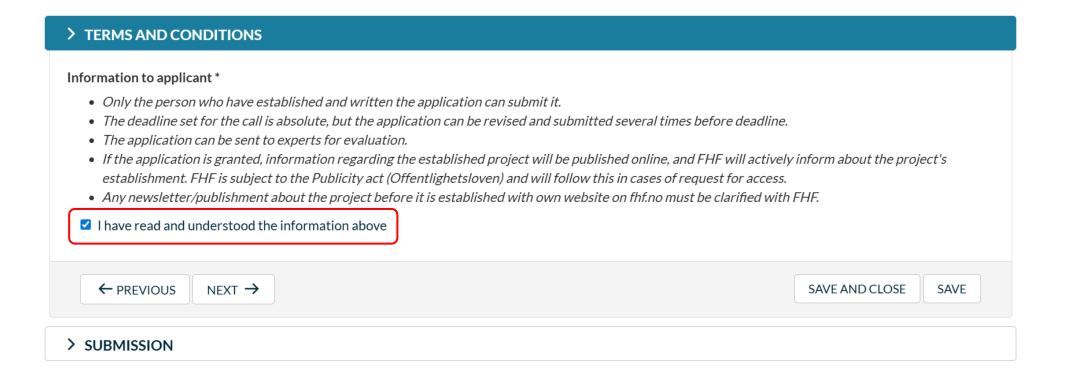
The list of references is uploaded under attachments. The format of the list and citations in the application can be in any format.

Other attachments should only be used if critical information must be included for the evaluation of the application. It is not permitted to attach supplementary information to, for example, the Background or other sections due to the limited number of characters.



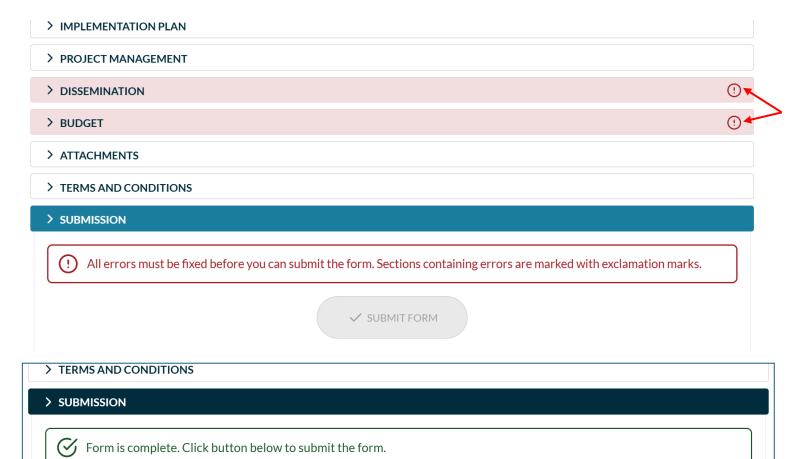
### **TERMS & CONDITIONS**

Before submitting the final application, you must read the information and check the box to confirm.





### **SUBMISSION**



✓ SUBMIT FORM

Before submission, if there are any mandatory fields that have not been filled out or other deficiencies, they will be marked in red under the respective field where the error/deficiency is located. Click on the fields and correct the error in the field marked in red.

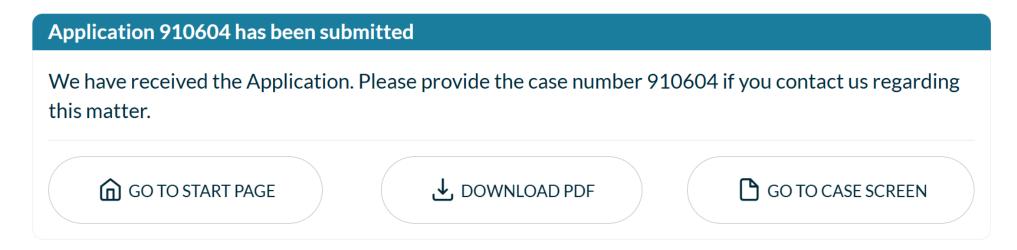
When these are corrected, a green text message will appear under "Submission" stating the form is complete and ready for submission, and you can click "Submit form" to deliver the final application.

NOTE – It is highly recommended to download a PDF copy before submitting the application



### CONFIRMATION

After submission, a window will appear confirming that the form has been sent. From here, you can also download a PDF copy or go directly to the start page or the case file, which is where the application is located for potential reopening and editing (see next page) or to view the outcome of the evaluation process.





### SUPPORT - TECHNICAL PROBLEMS

If technical issues occur during the application submission process, causing the deadline to be missed and the call to close, do the following:

- Download a PDF copy of the application (this should always be done as the last step before submission).
- > Send an email to the responsible case officer at FHF **before the application submission deadline has passed**. Clearly explain what caused the problem and attach the PDF of the application.

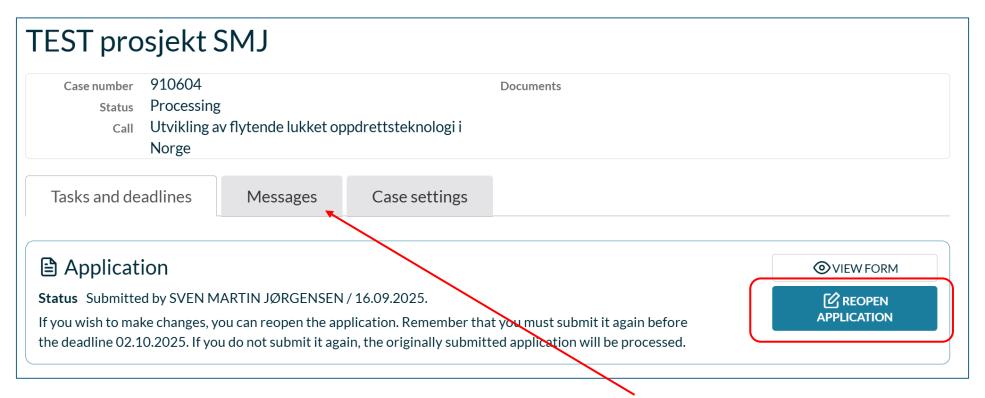
FHF may reopen the call exclusively for you if:

- 1. The email mentioned above is received within the deadline for the call
- 2. The PDF of the application shows that you have a complete, filled-out application



### **REOPENING APPLICATION**

If the deadline has not passed, you can reopen and edit the application by clicking on "Reopen application" under the case. This means the application can be submitted multiple times until the deadline has passed. **The last version submitted will always** be the one considered for evaluation by FHF.



The outcome of the evaluation process will be posted under *Messages* and the contact person(s) will be notified by email.

