**Centre for the Advanced Study of Collective Behaviour**

**CASCB funding for temporary measures helping to secure equal career opportunities for researchers with family and/or care-giving duties**

* Taking care of their children and family members can put a heavy load on researchers, often at a time when they need to dedicate a lot of time and energy to the advancement of their career. While regular support services are widely in place, they cannot always or quickly enough cover every eventuality.
* The CASCB aims to allocate resources to close short-term or temporary gaps to other support measures and to mitigate the temporary loss of research time, productivity and networking activity as a result of intense or complicated family and care-giving duties. The call is open to all cluster members and cluster projects to support researchers of all genders, fields and career stages.
* We encourage researchers to approach us with their individual needs, as there is not yet a defined catalogue of measures that are fundable by the cluster. Support measures can be financial (e.g. cover costs for external services) or organisational (help with finding tailored child-care options or practical support with research-related tasks) during a period of increased care-taking duties or other difficult conditions. The cluster executive board will carefully evaluate the feasibility of individual requests with the aim to find and support helpful solutions.

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| **Contract Extension Request Template EXC2117**  |
| **Name of Applicant**  |  |
| **Requested measure** |  | **Estimated duration or amount** |  |
| **Name of cluster project** |  |
| **Are you already using any family support programs offered by the university or other institution?****(If so, please name only the ones relevant to this request)****Please provide a brief outline how your current or upcoming situation affects your research and how the cluster should support you:** |