

### INFORMATION ABOUT ESF

The Swedish ESF Council is Managing Authority for the European Social Fund (ESF). The fund supports measures to prevent and combat unemployment, to promote training and to improve the way the labour market functions. Between 2007 and 2013 the ESF will grant a total of 12 billion Swedish kronor to help both men and women strengthen their competence and improve the opportunity to work. The vision is a community with employment and new possibilities for everyone.

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### PROCESS SUPPORT IN GENDER MAINSTREAMING - ESF JÄMT

ESF Jämt is the Swedish name of the County Administrative Board's joint investment. Between 2009 and 2012 eight project supporters and a national coordinator are working to make gender equality a central feature of established Social Fund projects and projects applying for funds. For more information visit: [www.esf.se/jamt](http://www.esf.se/jamt)

**ESF Jämt** extends between the years 2009 until 2012 and is financed by the European Social Fund.

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PROCESS SUPPORT

**Gender  
mainstreaming**



# How can gender mainstreaming develop your project?

## Gender mainstreaming

The Social Fund requires that gender mainstreaming is incorporated into all projects that have been granted financial support. This means that the gender equality aspect should be incorporated into all social areas and operations, rather than being treated as an individual issue.

Gender mainstreaming is a strategy for achieving gender equality that has been adopted by the EU, UN and the Swedish Government.

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## The project supporters work with:

- Initial talks and an **introduction** to gender equality.
- Concrete **advice and ideas** on how to integrate a gender equality perspective into the projects.
- **Basic training and workshops** in gender equality and gender mainstreaming.

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