

Going Global Partnerships

Gender Equality Partnerships Grants

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Clarifications

Area	Question	Answer
Application	What does the question: "Duration of collaboration, in months (it should not exceed 12 months)" refer to? Is it how long we have been collaborating to date? Or the length of the project? Or the length of time after the project?	"Duration of collaboration" refers to the total duration of the joint-project, the time required for all joint activities to be implemented/delivered.
Application	Can the project be cross-departmental and how do we insert it into the application?	Yes, the project can be cross-departmental. If relevant, applicants can make reference to the cross-departmental work in the description of the project, resource allocation, impact and/or additional information fields.
Application	What is the role of the Deputy for both lead applicants? Are they co-applicant/co-investigator	The Deputy is a nominated person in the Lead institution who can deputise for the Lead applicant if they are unable to lead the collaboration for any reason
Application - Number of partner countries	Please could you clarify whether we can partner with two eligible countries or whether partnership with only one other country is expected.	Yes you can submit two separate applications if you are interested in more than one eligible country.

Application - Project duration and Implementation	Would it be permissible to plan for an 8-10 month or are we required to plan for 12 months of activity?	Yes it is permissible to plan for an 8-10 month activity. For this grant call the project activities implementation should happen between January 2023 and January 2024 (maximum of 12 months). Joint proposals for activities to be implemented for only part of this period can be submitted and will be considered.
Application - Mandatory documents & budget spreadsheet	Do we need to submit the budget spreadsheet with the application?	Yes we do require the budget spreadsheet to be uploaded with the application.
Eligibility	What countries can apply for this funded opportunity?	This grant award will support partnerships between eligible UK institutions and partner institutions in one or more of the participating countries, Bangladesh, Egypt, Jordan, Nigeria, Pakistan, Peru and South Africa. Proposals should be designed by the Lead Applicant in the partner country, with the support of the UK partner organisation (page 5 of the Guidance Document).
Eligibility costs	Costs for existing staff members at the UK and overseas institutions are an eligible cost under this call (within the 30% limit for staff costs)?	Yes the cap refers to both UK and overseas partners working direct on the project.
Eligibility costs	We have an Associated UK partner; will the staff involved be considered a co-applicant, and will their staff cost be eligible?	Both Lead Partner Institutions (UK and overseas) can bring Associated partners to the project. Regarding staff costs from the Associated partner institution, they can only be considered eligible for personnel working directly on the grant funded project. If this is the case, please specify on the proposal and on the budget spreadsheet.

Eligibility - TVET	Please, could you clarify the TVET/Further education definition for the Lead UK partner in our bid?	We have specified the definition about the TVET/Further education sector in the call guidance that now reads as follows:
		Any public or private organisation with a role in the Technical and Vocational Education Training (TVET)/Further education system as specified below:
		- Awarding organisations- Training providers- Employer representative organisations- National skills agencies
		An overview of the UK TVET systems can be found here. Lead Applicants can include in their proposals Associated Partners (from both the partner county and the UK) affiliated with the institutions listed on page 8 (Eligibility).
Budget - Matching fund	Is matching fund a requirement?	For this call matching funds are not required. However, if the overseas country partner agreed to work with matching funds, there is room in the "Budget" Excel document for them to specify it. When working with matching funds we expect it to be the same or similar to the grant requested.
Budget - overseas costs	Please could you advise us on how to provide costings in the partner organisation, for example do you have standard figures for activities overseas?	The partner organisations (the overseas Lead institutions) are the ones who will advise on the local costs. As a joint project both lead institutions will work together to design the activities and identify the costs involved in their project.
Budget - In-kind contribution	Is there a financial limit for the In-kind contribution from UK partner?	Please be advised that there are no financial limits on in-kind contributions.

Budget - costs	How should we split the funding between the leading country and partner country?	We expect the allocation of funding to be equitably split between the UK and partner institution. You can find this on Page 5 of the Guidance Document: The lead applicants must ensure activities are planned in a way in which funds are equally distributed between the UK institution and its partner, generating mutual benefit and impact. This should be clear and visible from both the application form and the finance application template submitted.
Budget - overseas costs	Please could you advise us on how to provide costings in the partner organisation, for example do you have standard figures for activities in overseas countries?	The partner organisations (the overseas Lead institutions) are the ones who will advise on the local costs. As a joint project, both lead institutions will work together to design the activities and the costs involved in their project.
Grant Agreement	Is it necessary to complete the Grant Agreement template now or only if successful in the selection process?	The Grant Agreement is for information only at this stage and to allow applicants to ask any question they might have regarding the contract. Only selected projects will be required to fill in and sign the grant agreement.
Clarification questions	Are you planning to publish questions submitted for clarification and your responses? If so, where will you be publishing this information?	I can confirm that we can and will publish the clarification questions and answers on our Collaborate and Recruit Internationally (CARI) website.