

Call for Proposals

1. **APN Individual Research Grant; Request for Proposals – Deadline: Friday 20th January 2017.**

The African Peace building Network (APN) of the Social Science Research Council (SSRC) invites research grant applications from African researchers, policy analysts, and practitioners working on conflict and peace building issues at universities and research institutions or regional governmental and nongovernmental organizations in Africa.

<http://www.ssrc.org/fellowships/view/apn-research-grants/>

2. **ESRC-DFID Development Frontiers Research Fund 2016-1; Call for Proposals- Deadline: Thursday, 26th January 2017.**

A new funding opportunity is being launched as part of a decade-long partnership between the UK's Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) and the Department for International Development (DFID) which aims to place innovation and appetite for risk at the centre of world-class research.

Sitting within the ESRC-DFID Joint Fund for Poverty Alleviation Research, the Development Frontiers Research Fund aims to fund innovative, strategic and catalytic research with the potential to radically impact on sustainable development concepts or practices, or lead to new thinking and action on poverty reduction.

Proposals are invited for projects with a full economic cost (fEC) value between **£200,000 and £300,000**. Projects can be between 12 and 18 months long, but **must finish** no later than **31 March 2019**. We expect to fund around 14-18 awards, depending on the quality of the proposals received.

<http://www.esrc.ac.uk/funding/funding-opportunities/esrc-dfid-development-frontiers-research-fund-2016-17/>

3. **Grand Challenges, Africa Innovation Seed Grants: Request for Proposals- Deadline: Friday, 17th February 2017.**

Call Release date: 17th November 2016

Call Closure date: 17th February 2017

The African Academy of Sciences - Alliance for Accelerating Excellence in Science in Africa (AAS-AESA) is launching two new Grand Challenges:

1) Providing new impetus and solutions and strategies to help Africa meet the SDG 3 target for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health (MNCH). These cover key areas of:

- New technologies to enable rapid identification of exposures that lead to poor outcomes in pregnancy, birth and in the first month of life — these could be exposures to communicable and non-communicable diseases.
- Precision medicine approaches and techniques to identify microbes and other exposures in Africa that may increase susceptibility to non-communicable diseases (cancer, cardiovascular diseases, etc.) in mothers and children under 5 years of age.

2) Creative approaches to engage the public, and inspire policy and decision makers to increase investment in African Research & Development.

These new grand challenge innovation grants will be issued and administered under the banner of Grand Challenges Africa (GC Africa), a program implemented in partnership with the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD Agency) and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF). Round 1 is a joint initiative of the GC Africa partners and Institut Pasteur of Paris (IP).

<http://aasciences.ac.ke/aesa/en/programmes/grand-challenges-africa/innovation-seed-grant-round-1/>

4. Partnerships for the Development of Tools to Advance Therapeutic Discovery for Select Antimicrobial-resistant Gram-negative Bacteria (R01)

Deadline: 7 April 2017

The US National Institutes of Health is offering this grant to support projects focused on understanding the principles that allow molecules to penetrate Gram-negative bacteria while avoiding efflux and overt toxicity toward eukaryotic cells. Projects must involve developing and using novel predictive assays and/or research tools based on the penetration and efflux of small molecules to facilitate therapeutic discovery for Gram-negative bacterial pathogens, including carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE), MDR *Acinetobacter* and/or MDR *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*.

<https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-AI-16-081.html>

5. Rufford Foundation Small Grants for Nature Conservation

Deadline: rolling

The Rufford Foundation provides funding for small nature/biodiversity conservation projects and pilot programmes in developing countries. This section of the Foundation website allows you to apply for funding online, and to maintain your contact and biographical information if you have already received a grant from the Foundation.

<https://apply.ruffordsmallgrants.org/>

6. Committee for Research and Exploration Grant

Deadline: rolling

The National Geographic Society awards grants for scientific field research and exploration through its Committee for Research and Exploration. All proposed projects must have both a geographical dimension and relevance to other scientific fields and be of broad scientific interest. The committee emphasizes multidisciplinary projects that address environmental issues (eg. loss of biodiversity, effects of human-populations pressures). There is particular interest in funding projects that promote the growth of scientific infrastructure in developing countries. Grants typically range from U.S. \$15,000 to \$20,000.

<http://www.nationalgeographic.com/explorers/grants-programs/cre-application/>

7. EU Call for Proposals: European Forward Looking Cooperation Projects in the field of Education and Training

Deadline: 14 March 2017

The European Union (EU) is seeking applications for its program entitled "European Forward Looking Cooperation Projects in the field of Education and Training" with an aim to support reforms and innovation in education, training and youth through trans-national cooperation projects.

Program Objectives

- The general objectives of this call are:
 - to promote innovation in education and training fields through European cooperation at both policy and practice levels
 - to empower key stakeholders in developing and mainstreaming policy innovation
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- The specific objectives of this call are:
 - to kick-start longer-term changes and field-test innovative solutions to challenges in the education and training fields, which have the potential of becoming mainstreamed and to generate a sustainable and systemic impact on education and training systems
 - to support trans-national cooperation and mutual learning on forward-looking issues among key stakeholders
 - to facilitate the collection and analysis of evidence to substantiate innovative policies and practices

Priority Areas

- Priority 1 – Acquisition of basic skills by low-skilled adults
- Priority 2 – Promoting performance based approaches in VET
- Priority 3 – Promoting innovative technology in the field of providing career guidance
- Priority 4 – Professionalisation of staff (school education, including early childhood education and care)
- Priority 5 – Achieving the aims of the renewed EU strategy for higher education

https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/funding/forward-looking-cooperation-projects-2017-eacea412016_en

8. German-African Innovation Incentive Award: Strengthening Innovative Research in Africa

Deadline: 10 January 2017

The Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) is seeking applicants for its German-African Innovation Incentive Award with an aim to strengthen innovative research in Africa, bolster its effect locally and at the same time consolidate German-African partnerships.

Objectives

- The Innovation Prize will be awarded to researchers in African countries and their German partners for proven outstanding research with the potential for application, in combination with a utilization or valorization plan.
- The plan should already provide perspectives for the lasting consolidation of cooperation between the partners and if possible for medium and long-term development of structures at the location in Africa.
- The Prize will be awarded in the form of project funding to support the transfer of convincing research results, which have already been produced, into utilization-oriented solutions, product-oriented valorization and the development of structures.

<http://www.dwz-kairo.de/calls/german-african-innovation-incentive-award>

9. Navitas Education Trust Grant: Supporting Education Projects in Communities

Deadline: 15 February 2017

The Navitas Education Trust (NET) is seeking applications for its Grant Program to support education projects in communities where a little can go a long way, being an education provider their focus in granting funds will be for projects related to education.

The Navitas Education Trust (NET) was established in 2013 as a vehicle for Navitas to support charitable organisations and activities.

Navitas has committed to provide annual funds to the NET, some of which will be used to support education based programs in partnership with charitable organizations and some of which will be invested to generate funds for future programs.

<https://www.navitas.com/organisation/responsibility>

10. Fondation Nature & Decouvertes — Nature Protection in France and Africa 2017

Deadline: 01 Feb 2017

Fondation Nature & Decouvertes supports projects for nature protection, environmental education, and public awareness in France. Additionally, a few grants support projects with similar themes in Francophone Africa. The next application deadline for environmental education projects (*funding of €8 thousand to €25 thousand*) is 01 February 2017. Applications for small projects ("*coup de main*") ranging from €500 to €3000 can be submitted at any time.

<http://www.fondation-natureetdecouvertes.com/nos-criteres/deposer-un-dossier>

11. International Association for Plant Taxonomy — Research in Plant Systematics

Deadline: 31 Jan 2017

The IAPT announces the 2017 round of its competitive grants program in plant systematics, with emphasis on funding students and young investigators in developing countries, but open to applicants worldwide. The award should preferably be used for supporting travel to institutions, laboratory investigations, or fieldwork (*if this includes interaction with in-country specialists*). The maximum grant is US\$1 thousand.

<http://iapt-taxon.org/pages/grants>

12. KR Foundation — Reducing Fossil Fuels

Deadline: 19 Jan 2017

The KR Foundation makes grants for environmental communications and advocacy, with a special focus on reducing investment and consumption of fossil fuels. The Foundation aims to persuade investors to divest from fossil fuel industries that deepen the climate crisis, and to invest instead in climate solutions. In parallel with divest-invest, the KR Foundation supports measures that eliminate subsidies for fossil fuels. Grants are to charitable nonprofit organizations. The amount of funding per project typically ranges from DKK 0.5 million to DKK 5 million for projects of up to approximately three years.

<http://krfnd.org/apply-for-funding/>

13. Japan Fund for Global Environment — Conservation Grants 2017

Deadline: 16 Jan 2017

The Fund makes grants to legally registered non-profit organizations in Japan and developing countries for field projects in environmental conservation. Each non-Japanese applicant needs to have an agent in Japan to communicate and apply in Japanese language on behalf of the applicant.

<http://www.erca.go.jp/jfge/english/wwd/grants.html>