

# Funding Assurance in International Research Programmes

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# GCRF: RCUK Collective Call

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- Details of GCRF funding assurance process is still being developed
- Outline assessment (9 Nov) based on the development challenge and how that will be addressed. CfS includes an overview of the capacity and capability of the team.
- For proposals invited to full stage (May 2018):
  - the research partner orgs will need to register with JeS and;
  - include a letter from PVC Research summarising the orgs support for the project and confirming they are able to meet the requirements for the call and;
  - will provide further information to the RCs when requested



# Types of Organisations and Funding

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- Lead Research Organisation: UK RO, UK IRO, UK PSRE (GCRF only) - funded at 80% FEC (direct & indirect costs)
- Research Partner Organisation (UK – 80% FEC, DAC list country – 100% eligible costs and up to 30% indirect costs, developed countries – 50% of eligible costs)
- Project Partners – third sector, charities – max one-year FTE across award per org, plus direct costs
- Subcontractors – procurement of goods and services – not intellectual input



# International Research Partner Organisations

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Should be HEI, public laboratory or other non-profit research intensive organisation

They need to be able to sign up to the T&Cs

RCUK funding can not go to individuals

GCRF outline guidance said RPOs must demonstrate compliance with the following criteria:

- Research capacity & capability
- Governance & financial stability
- Public good & open access publications



# International Research Partner Organisation Criteria

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The draft process has four headings:

- Governance and Control – satisfactory processes and policies around fraud, bribery, corruption, data collection/management, research integrity and ethics requirements, etc. and be subject to an independent annual audit
- Financial Stability – appropriate bank account and finance management systems and procedures for making, receipting and recording payments
- Ability to Deliver – strong track record of leading or co-leading innovative research projects and maximising impact and wider benefit to the community, have sufficient capability to deliver research (10?), and publications in peer reviewed, open access journals; sufficient financial support and availability of essential infrastructure
- Sub-contract management - policy in place to sufficiently manage sub-contractors including provisions for ensuring their compliance with RCUK T&Cs



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- For proposals invited to full stage (May 2018):
  - the research partner orgs and named applicants and researchers will need to register with JeS and;
  - include a letter from PVC Research
- For proposals in the funding frame:
  - The research partner orgs will provide further information
  - The exact information tbc but see:  
<http://www.rcuk.ac.uk/funding/eligibilityforrcs/>
  - If an organisation already has an RCUK grant they may have already provided info and been assessed.
  - “eligibility” likely to last three years



# Thank you

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