

# RESEARCHER LINKS

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## APPENDIX 1: COUNTRY-SPECIFIC GUIDANCE AND GRANT RATES

Please note that the unit costs given below constitute the maximum mounts that can be requested in each category and that all budget requests will be assessed for feasibility and appropriateness. While the maximum contribution cannot be exceeded, applicants can request less in which case the amount requested cannot be increased at a later stage.

### Calculating your budget request

To calculate the budget contribution that can be requested in each category, applicants should use the unit costs for each country where the workshop takes place, please refer to country specific grant rates tables in this Appendix 1. **Budget costs must be rounded to the nearest £ value on the British Council online system.**

**International travel** unit rates and visa costs should be multiplied by the number of international participants.

**Domestic travel** unit rates should be multiplied by the number of domestic participants.

**Subsistence** should be multiplied by the combined number of International and domestic participants and by the number of days the workshop lasts.

**Additional workshop costs** should be a maximum of £2200.

**EXAMPLE:** The budget for a workshop lasting 4 days and taking place in a partner country attended by 20 UK-based researchers and 20 researchers based in the partner country would be calculated as follows:

20 X £1200 (international travel) = £24000

20 X £150 (domestic travel) = £3000


40 X £100 (subsistence costs) = £4000 X 4 days (duration of the workshop) = £16000

40 X £30 (event rate) = £1200 X 4 days (duration of the workshop) = £4800

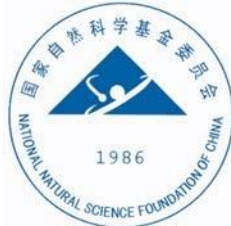
£2200 (additional workshop costs)


= £50,000 total maximum contribution that can be requested.


### 1. BRAZIL


National co-funder	<p>Conselho Nacional das Fundações Estaduais de Amparo à Pesquisa (CONFAP)</p> 
Research Priorities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agriculture - especially directed to small property;</li> <li>• Climate and environment (climate change, green technology, sustainable development, ecosystem services, scarcity of resources);</li> <li>• Renewable energy and clean energy;</li> <li>• Education;</li> <li>• Inclusive economic growth;</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Health (neglected diseases);</li> <li>• Water and sanitation;</li> <li>• Food and nutrition (including food security);</li> <li>• Demographic change / migration / urbanization (focus on urbanization and human rights and urban transformation);</li> <li>• Infrastructure (infrastructure for development - focus on remote communities);</li> <li>• Humanitarian disasters and emergencies;</li> <li>• Governance, society and conflict (transparency, accountability, efficient institutions, land rights and natural resources with a focus on indigenous populations, criminal justice, poverty reduction, social development, structural inequalities, peace building processes, civil society);</li> <li>• Collection, quality analysis and access to data relevant to development indices (including administrative information and macroeconomic statistics).</li> <li>• Zika virus.</li> </ul>
Additional eligibility criteria:	<p>Brazilian applicants eligible only from the states of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Alagoas - FAPEAL</li> <li>2. Amazonas - FAPEAM</li> <li>3. Bahia - FAPESB</li> <li>4. Distrito Federal - FAPDF</li> <li>5. Espírito Santo - FAPES</li> <li>6. Goiás - FAPEG</li> <li>7. Maranhão - FAPEMA</li> <li>8. Minas Gerais - FAPEMIG</li> <li>9. Paraíba - FAPESQ</li> <li>10. Paraná - Fundação Araucária</li> <li>11. *Pernambuco - FACEPE</li> <li>12. *São Paulo - FAPESP</li> <li>13. Sergipe - FAPITEC</li> <li>14. *Piauí - FAPEPI</li> </ol> <p>*Principal Applicants from the Brazilian states of São Paulo and Pernambuco <b>must also submit their application</b> to the local funding agencies, respectively <a href="#">FAPESP</a> and <a href="#">FACEPE</a>.</p> <p>**Applicants from the states: <b>Paraíba, Pernambuco, Sergipe, Alagoas, Maranhão and Piauí</b> must check application instructions on the Brazilian British Council website (<a href="https://www.britishcouncil.org.br/newton-fund/researcher-links/workshops-confap-fapesp-2018-19">https://www.britishcouncil.org.br/newton-fund/researcher-links/workshops-confap-fapesp-2018-19</a> )</p>
Grant Rates	
International travel:	£1120
Domestic travel:	£420

Subsistence costs per person per day:	£75
Event costs per person per day:	£50
Additional workshop costs:	£2200
<b>2. CHINA</b>	
National co-funder	<p>National Science Foundation of China (NSFC)</p> 
Research Priorities:	<p>The research fields will reflect the common interests and demands of both countries and may be further expanded according to the programme's scope, including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Health/life sciences</li> <li>- Environmental technologies</li> <li>- Food and water security</li> <li>- Energy</li> <li>- Urbanisation</li> </ul>
Additional eligibility criteria:	<p>As requested by NSFC, the Chinese Principal Applicant of each proposal <b>must</b> also submit the application (in Chinese) to the NSFC online system:</p> <p><a href="https://isisn.nsfc.gov.cn/egrantweb/">https://isisn.nsfc.gov.cn/egrantweb/</a></p> <p>For eligibility of Chinese Principal Applicants please refer to NSFC's criteria:</p> <p><a href="http://www.nsfc.gov.cn/publish/portal0/tab434/info69709.htm">http://www.nsfc.gov.cn/publish/portal0/tab434/info69709.htm</a></p> <p>Eligible applications should meet quality criteria of both the UK and NSFC</p>
Grant Rates	<p>Workshops can take place either in the UK or China. Careful considerations including feasibility should have been given when deciding the location of the workshop.</p> <p>1. For Workshops held in China NSFC fund will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Domestic travel</li> <li>• Subsistence</li> <li>• Event costs</li> <li>• Additional workshop costs</li> </ul> <p>NB: Chinese applicants please refer to NSFC funding standard.</p>

	<p>Newton Fund will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• International travel</li> </ul> <p>2. For workshops held in the UK NSFC fund will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• International travel</li> </ul> <p>Newton Fund will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Domestic travel</li> <li>• Subsistence</li> <li>• Event costs</li> <li>• Additional workshop costs</li> </ul> <p>Workshops must take place between 1st January 2019 and 31st December 2019.</p> <p>The workshops normally last for 3 days and up to 4 nights' accommodation could be covered.</p>
International travel:	£1200
Domestic travel:	£150
Subsistence costs per person per day:	£100
Event costs per person per day:	£30
Additional workshop costs:	£2200
<b>3. INDIA</b>	
National co-funder	<p>The Royal Society of Chemistry (RSC)</p> 
Research Priorities:	<p>Within the chemical sciences proposals related to the following challenge areas are particularly welcome:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Human Health – eg. Antimicrobial resistance, neglected diseases, medical chemistry, bio-materials, HIV/AIDS, malaria, tuberculosis, neglected tropical diseases, child mortality, maternal health</li> <li>• Energy – e.g. sustainable fuels, chemicals and energy storage.</li> <li>• Climate, Environment and Sustainability – e.g. climate change, green technology, sustainable development, ecosystem services, resource scarcity, new materials, nanomaterials, water quality, climate, agriculture, air.</li> <li>• Sustainable energy for all</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Water and sanitation</li> <li>• Food and nutrition (including food security)</li> <li>• Research with relevance to the above areas at the Chemistry-Biology interface, the Chemistry-Materials interface and the Chemistry-Environmental Science interface</li> </ul>
Additional eligibility criteria:	N/A
Grant Rates	
International travel:	£850
Domestic travel:	£110
Subsistence costs per person per day:	£40
Event costs per person per day:	£30
Additional workshop costs:	£1500
<b>4. JORDAN</b>	
National co-funder	<p><b>Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Technology</b> is the partner on this call and sets priorities and will assist with selection, however applying Jordanian national partner institutions need to provide matching funding (in-kind) for the workshop.</p> 
Research Priorities:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Energy</li> <li>2. Water management</li> <li>3. Agri-tech and food security</li> <li>4. Cultural heritage</li> <li>5. Bio-technology and bio-security</li> <li>6. Nanotechnology</li> </ol>
Additional eligibility criteria:	<p>The workshops must happen in Jordan. Match fund will be counted as the flat rates listed here even if the actual costs of providing these services in Jordan are lower and they could cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Domestic travel per Jordanian country participant;</li> <li>• Subsistence per Jordanian country participant per day;</li> <li>• Event costs per Jordanian country participant per day;</li> <li>• Additional workshop costs.</li> </ul> <p>Match fund rate should be determined by the partner country and clearly stated in the application form</p> <p>Match funding must account for at least 25% of workshop</p>

	<p>budget but a higher rate would be beneficial</p> <p>An example of match-funding based on the earlier example would be:</p> <p>The budget for a workshop lasting 4 days and taking place in Jordan attended by 20 UK-based researchers and 20 researchers based in the partner country would be calculated as follows:</p> <p>20 X £500 (international travel) = £10000</p> <p>20 X £50 (domestic travel) = <b>£1000 – MATCH FUNDING</b></p> <p>40 X £95 (subsistence costs) = £3800 X 4 days (duration of the workshop) = £15200 – <b>MATCH FUNDING counted as Jordanian participants £7600</b></p> <p>40 X £50 (event rate) = £2000 X 4 days (duration of the workshop) = £8000 <b>MATCH FUNDING counted for Jordanian participants £4000</b></p> <p>£2200 (additional workshop costs)</p> <p>= £36400 total workshop budget</p> <p>Actual grant request would be £23800</p> <p><b>In-kind match funding from Jordanian side budgeted as £12600 (35%)</b></p> <p>This is an example and in this case if domestic travel could not be provided by the Jordanian partner then this could be added to the grant and still ensure correct match funding.</p> <p>The grant agreement and payment will be made to the UK partner only and it will be up to the UK and Jordanian partner to allocate the actual grant but we would expect a majority of the subsistence, event rate costs and additional costs to come to the Jordanian partner to contribute to the delivery of the event.</p>
Grant Rates	
International travel:	£500
Domestic travel:	£50
Subsistence costs per person per day:	£95
Event costs per person per day:	£50
Additional workshop costs:	£2200
<b>5. PERU</b>	
National co-funder	<p>National Council on Science, Technology and Technological Innovation (CONCYTEC)</p>  <p>CONCYTEC CONSEJO NACIONAL DE CIENCIA, TECNOLOGÍA E INNOVACIÓN TECNOLÓGICA</p>

Research Priorities:	1) Water 2) Health 3) Biodiversity
Additional eligibility criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lead Applicants based in Peru must be working for any of the following institutions:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Non-profit private and public universities with license or under licensing process of SUNEDU</li> <li>Non-profit private or public research centres or institutes</li> </ul> </li> <li>Lead Applicants based in Peru must hold a Masters or PhD degree, and must have led at least 4 or 2 research projects, respectively.</li> <li>Please see additional mandatory eligibility criteria for Peruvian Lead Institutions and Lead Applicants in <a href="http://www.cienciactiva.gob.pe">www.cienciactiva.gob.pe</a></li> <li>The Lead Applicant based in Peru <b>must also register</b> as applicant to this Call on <a href="http://www.cienciactiva.gob.pe">http://www.cienciactiva.gob.pe</a> using their DINA login. This is to receive the Peruvian documents and information only, not to upload the full application.</li> <li>Applicants based in Peru should also read and comply with the complimentary guidelines to this call located in <a href="http://www.cienciactiva.gob.pe">http://www.cienciactiva.gob.pe</a></li> </ul>
Grant Rates	
International travel:	£1200
Domestic travel:	£150
Subsistence costs per person per day:	£75
Event costs per person per day:	£25
Additional workshop costs:	£2000



## APPENDIX 2: ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA CHECKLIST

Eligibility criteria checklist	
The application has been submitted by the applicant by the published deadline	
The applicants have uploaded letters of support from each of the Principal Applicants' home institutions	
The application form is completed in full and complies with instructions given	
The application form has been completed in English	
Only one application per Principal Applicant has been submitted in this round (please note that there is no limit on the number of applications submitted per institution)	
The workshop will take place between 01 February 2019 and 31 January 2020	
The institutions where the Principal Applicants are based are recognised publicly funded research establishments or Higher Education Institutions (can include private universities)	
Applicants must have the capacity to administer a grant and satisfy British Council requirements to prevent bribery, fraud and professional misconduct. Applicants will confirm that they comply with British Council requirements by responding to pre-submission questions in the online application form	

## APPENDIX 3: QUALITY REVIEW SCORING SYSTEM

Assessment of the quality and development relevance of the proposals will be performed by panel members in the UK, and the final funding decisions will be made in discussion with British Council country office and in-country partners, if applicable. Proposals with an average score of less than 30 points are considered not fundable. Equally, only proposals that have clearly articulated relevance to economic development and social welfare of the partner country will be considered for funding.

Section 1: Relevance to economic development and social welfare	Score	Range
<p>The proposal clearly articulates a plausible pathway along which the research may contribute to the economic development and social welfare of the partner country and lead to positive impact on the lives of people on a low income within a reasonable timeframe (10–15 years).</p> <p>Please see guidance for applicants for further details.</p>		YES/NO

Section 2: Research quality and relevance	Score	Range
		0–20
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The academic importance and timeliness of the research topic is clearly demonstrated.</li> <li>The Principal Applicants have sufficient relevant experience to lead the proposed workshops and achieve the stated objectives.</li> <li>The collaborating institutions are of appropriate academic standing.</li> </ul>	<p><b>20 points:</b> Meets all criteria to an exceptional level</p> <p><b>16 to 19 points:</b> Meets the majority of the criteria to a very high level</p> <p><b>11 to 15 points:</b> Meets the majority of the criteria to a high level</p> <p><b>6 to 10 points:</b> Meets the majority of the criteria to an adequate level</p> <p><b>1 to 5 points:</b> Meets some of the criteria to an adequate level</p> <p><b>0 points:</b> Fails to meet any of the criteria to an adequate level.</p>	

Section 3: Workshop proposal	Score	Range
		0–20
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The description of the workshop includes clear, feasible and realistic objectives and outputs.</li> <li>There is clear evidence that the proposed workshop supports new links or significantly extends and develops existing links.</li> <li>The benefits and relevance of the collaboration to the UK and partner country institution, and to the research itself, are clearly described.</li> <li>There is strong evidence of support from both the home and host institutions.</li> <li>The workshop is justified as a standalone activity, or as part of a larger programme.</li> <li>The agenda of the workshop is will structured with interactive sessions.</li> </ul>	<p><b>20 points:</b> Meets all criteria to an exceptional level</p> <p><b>16 to 19 points:</b> Meets the majority of the criteria to a very high level</p> <p><b>11 to 15 points:</b> Meets the majority of the criteria to a high level</p> <p><b>6 to 10 points:</b> Meets the majority of the criteria to an adequate level</p> <p><b>1 to 5 points:</b> Meets some of the criteria to an adequate level</p> <p><b>0 points:</b> Fails to meet any of the criteria to an adequate level.</p>	

Section 4: Sustainability and capacity building	Score	Range
		0–20
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The potential in terms of professional development and capacity building for early career researchers taking part in the workshop, and for other potential beneficiaries, is clearly described.</li> <li>The proposal includes a clear and feasible description of how the Principal Applicants’ institutions intend to sustain their collaboration over the longer term.</li> </ul>	<p><b>20 points:</b> Meets all criteria to an exceptional level</p> <p><b>16 to 19 points:</b> Meets the majority of the criteria to a very high level</p> <p><b>11 to 15 points:</b> Meets the majority of the criteria to a high level</p> <p><b>6 to 10 points:</b> Meets the majority of the criteria to an adequate level</p> <p><b>1 to 5 points:</b> Meets some of the criteria to an adequate level</p> <p><b>0 points:</b> Fails to meet any of the criteria to an adequate level.</p>	
Total score for quality assessment (Section 2 + Section 3 + Section 4)	Score	Range
		0–60