



Funding Opportunities

1. The GSMA Innovation Fund for Digitization of Agricultural Value Chains (Deadline: 21 July 2019)

Applications are open for The GSMA Innovation Fund for Digitization of Agricultural Value Chains that aims to scale digital solutions for the agricultural last mile and improve smallholders' financial inclusion, livelihood and climate resilience.

Priority areas:

i. MOBILE MONEY DRIVEN CATEGORY

Open to mobile money providers in partnership with AgriTech vendors who are developing, implementing, launching and/or scaling enterprise services (B2B2C) which digitise the agricultural last.

ii. DATA DRIVEN CATEGORY

Open to AgriTech organizations who have already scaled the last mile agriculture digitization service and established a model for generating digital farmer records and explored linking Farmer records with financial service providers

[For further detail click here](#)

<https://www.gsma.com/mobilefordevelopment/agritech/innovation-fund/>

2. Breaking Systemic Barriers to Women's Participation in Science (Deadline: 15 August 2019)

The Foundations for Innovation Program at Canada's International Development Research Centre (IDRC) has launched a call for research proposals to identify and address systemic barriers that stand in the way of a greater participation of women and other under-represented groups in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) fields in both the public and the private sector, in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs).

Priority areas:

Issues and research questions which could be addressed in proposals for this call include but are not limited to the following:

- Leadership and power structure
- Employment and Careers
- Safety and harassment
- Novel Approaches to Training and Research
- Using Data and Evidence

[For further detail click here](#)

<https://www.idrc.ca/en/funding/breaking-systemic-barriers-womens-participation-science>



3. Russell Sage Foundation's Future of Work Program!

(Deadline: 19 August 2019)

Applicants are invited to apply for the Future of Work Program that supports innovative research on the causes and consequences of changes in the quality of jobs for less- and moderately-skilled workers and their families.

Priority areas:

- Changing economies, changing families and policy responses (or lack thereof)
- The economics of productivity and the role of managerial practices in improving job quality
- Causes and consequences of job polarization
- Effects of long-term unemployment and strategies to prevent long-term disadvantage

[For further detail click here](#)

<http://www.russellsage.org/research/funding/future-work>

4. International Photography Grant for Supporting Visual Project of the Artist

(Deadline: 31 August 2019)

International Photography Magazine has announced a grant entitled "International Photography Grant", the most inspirational photographic idea to support the visual project of the artist. It is a non-profit initiative run by International Photography Magazine.

International Photography Grant is a platform that allows an applicant to gain experience and enter the world of professional photography. Artists have the opportunity to push their careers forward and are recognized by art galleries, curators, [media](#), and cultural institutions from all over the world.

Priority areas:

- Creative
- Documentary
- Landscape
- Portrait
- Travel

[For further detail click here](#)

<http://internationalphotogrant.com/page/about>



5. IsDB-TWAS Research Grant **(Deadline: 12 September 2019)**

The UN Sustainable Development Goals present humanity – and the global research community – with urgent challenges. TWAS and the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) are offering Grants for Research Collaboration in Sustainability Sciences. The goal: provide incentives for researchers from 57 IsDB member countries to work together on shared challenges.

Priority areas:

The Research Grants programme provides support for research projects in the following fields (please refer to the guidelines for details):

- Sustainable Agriculture
- Education
- Education for Sustainable Development
- Climate Change
- Energy
- Sustainable cities
- Responsible growth
- Waste management
- Population growth
- Green chemistry
- Biodiversity
- Plastic pollution and Micro-plastics
- Water and hygiene

[For further detail click here](https://twas.org/opportunity/isdb-twas-research-grant)
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6. Darwin Initiative: partnership projects **(Deadline: 05 November 2019)**

Partnership Projects are small grants intended to help organizations who are new to the Darwin Initiative to develop their application. The awards do this by:

Connecting organizations new to Darwin with partners who have experience of managing successful Darwin Projects; and/or supporting work to build new partnerships between applicant organizations

A successful Partnership Project should lead to a Main Darwin Initiative project application.



Partnership Projects support activities which might previously have been supported under a Darwin scoping award.

Priority areas:

- The Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)
- The Conservation of Nature (CN)
- The Conservation of Wildlife (CW)

[For further detail click here](#)

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/darwin-initiative-partnership-projects#history>

7. NORPART 2018 Call for Applications – Funding between Norway and Developing Countries

(Deadline: 31 December 2023)

The Norwegian Centre for International Cooperation in Education (SIU) is pleased to issue this call for applications for funding of long-term projects between higher education institutions in Norway and selected developing countries under the Norwegian Partnership Programme for Global Academic Cooperation (NORPART)

Priority areas:

Objectives of NORPART: The programs shall lead to:

- Strengthened partnerships for education and research between developing countries and Norway
- Increased quality and internationalization of academic programs at participating institutions
- Increased mobility of students from developing countries to Norway, including mobility in connection with work placements
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[For further detail click here](#)

<https://www.afterschoolafrica.com/12687/norpart-call-application-funding-norway-developing-countries/>

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- Build robust evidence from LMICs on the nature of systemic barriers and their consequences on the engagement of women and under-represented groups in science endeavours;
- Build robust evidence from LMICs on the results to date of deliberate interventions by specific institutions to mitigate or eliminate systemic barriers to greater participation of women and other under-represented groups, as well as increase diversity of personnel in fields of STEM; and
- Provide an opportunity for institutions, both those which have been pro-active and those which until now may have been less so, to design, implement and monitor novel approaches and interventions, in order to learn from these and more effectively address important barriers standing in the way of women and other under-represented groups' fuller participation in STEM fields.

Who can apply?

Institutions or consortiums with a strong presence in eligible low- and middle-income countries (see the list of eligible countries below) and with the following qualifications are invited to submit a proposal.

- **Type of organization:** The proposed research can be carried out by a research institution, a research consortium, or a non-governmental organization with strong research capacity. This institution or group of institutions must be independent of the institution(s) to be studied. Donors, UN entities, multilateral organizations, independent researchers and for-profit consulting firms are not eligible to apply for this call.
- **Collaboration:** The lead applicant institution should be from an LMIC, while institutions based in high-income countries can participate as collaborators on the proposal. As regards consortia, priority will be given to those led by an LMIC institution. IDRC will give preference to proposals which demonstrate close collaboration between the applying independent research institution(s) and the institutions whose experience is to be studied. A formal statement signed by the latter must be appended to the proposal, which will confirm agreement with, and support to, the proposed research, as well as a commitment to follow up on findings and recommendations, as appropriate.

[For further detail click here](https://www.idrc.ca/en/funding/breaking-systemic-barriers-womens-participation-science)

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9. Getty Scholar Grants Program is now open for Applications

(Deadline: 1 October 2019)

The Getty Foundation is currently accepting applications for its Getty Scholar Grants. The Getty Foundation (initially called the Getty Grant Program) was established in 1984 in the



belief that philanthropy is a key ingredient in carrying out the mission of the J. Paul Getty Trust. The Getty Trust is an international cultural organization that includes the Getty Conservation Institute, Getty Foundation, Getty Research Institute, and J. Paul Getty Museum.

Benefits

Getty Scholars may be in residence from three to nine months:

- Three-month residency: September to December, January to April, April to June: \$17,200
- Six-month residency: September to April, January to June: \$42,000
- Nine-month residency: September to June: \$65,000

Priority areas:

- Applications are welcome from researchers of all nationalities who are working in the arts, humanities, or social sciences.
- Current Getty staff and members of their immediate family are not eligible for Scholar Grants. Recent recipients who have received a Getty Scholar award within the past three years may be removed from consideration

[For further detail click](#)

[herehttp://www.getty.edu/foundation/initiatives/residential/getty_scholars.html](http://www.getty.edu/foundation/initiatives/residential/getty_scholars.html)

10. Grants to Initiatives that Develop and Improve Local Communities around the World

(Deadline: 31 July 2019)

The DWF Foundation has launched its grant program to encourage all of our people to work together as a catalyst for change.

The DWF Foundation, founded by DWF has the sole aim of providing funds, resources and support to help our communities achieve their full potential.

Between its launch in December 2015 and April 2019, the DWF Foundation has given over 100 different grants, totalling over £250,000, to a wide range of charitable organizations.

Priority areas:

The DWF Foundation supports registered charities with an impact in one or more of the following areas:

- Homelessness
- Health & Wellbeing
- Employability



- Education

[For further detail click](#)

<https://www.dwf.law/About-us/DWF-Foundation>

11. PFAN accepting Proposals for Climate & Clean Energy Project in Asia

(Deadline: 9 August 2019)

The Private Financing Advisory Network (PFAN) is accepting **proposals** for the Climate & Clean Energy Project in **Asia**. It particularly encourages applications from **women**-led businesses.

Priority areas:

The following sectors have been identified and targeted for PFAN intervention in the area of Climate Change Adaptation:

- Agriculture (upstream and downstream, including agribusiness and processing)
- Ecosystem Services
- Forestry
- Urban Development
- Health
- Energy & Access to Energy
- Water
- Waste
- Microfinance/-Insurance
- Tourism
- Adaptation products and services

Benefits

1. Projects selected for PFAN assistance receive free business coaching. This coaching has been shown to greatly speed up the process of reaching investment-ready status, and consequently shorten the path to finding investment.
2. PFAN organises regional and international Investment Forums, where the most promising investment-ready projects are showcased to a group of investors from various categories (private equity, development banks, development funds, clean energy-focused investors, and so on), increasing the probability of finding the best investor for applicants project.
3. PFAN also has a dedicated Investment Facilitation Team, which ensures investment-ready projects are introduced to target investors, throughout the process.



Eligibility Criteria

- PFAN accepts applications from Asia.
- To be eligible for PFAN support, applicant's project or business must provide climate change adaptation benefits, or offer or use clean energy technologies, products or services.
- PFAN is technology neutral, which means they do not prefer any technology over any other.
Proposals should demonstrate that the project is commercially and technically viable, and requires no or only minimal grant funding.
- If an applicant's project currently receives grant funding or has done so in the past, that does not affect eligibility.

[For further detail click](#)

<https://pfan.net/call-for-projects-in-asia-next-submission-deadline/>

12. Funding (up to £5,000) for Early Career Researchers in the UK and South Asia

(Deadline: 31 July 2019)

The British Council Small-Scale Research Project Scheme is seeking applications to provide funding (up to £5,000) for early career researchers in the UK and countries in South Asia to work collaboratively on a joint research project. The duration of the research project should be between 6 and 12 months.

The scheme aims to provide early career researchers with the opportunity to gain skills and experience in conducting research internationally. It also aims to prepare researchers to form consortiums and apply for grants provided by funding agencies and international institutions.

The context of the research should be in the South Asia region i.e. Afghanistan, Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka.

Priority areas:

The theme of the collaborative research project should be related to one of the South Asia science priority areas:

Water

- For example, water resource management, water health and sanitation, water cooperation and diplomacy in South Asia.

Mental health

- For example, child developmental disabilities, mental health and resilience.

Global health

- For example, South Asia global health, migration and health, refugees.



Eligibility Criteria

- A partnership must be formed between a UK university/research institute and a university/research institute in one of the following South Asian countries: Afghanistan, Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka. The UK university/research institute, also known as the Lead Institution, will receive and manage the funding for the research project.
- An early career researcher from each university/research institute must be appointed to carry out the research project. The early career researchers should be at the beginning of their research careers and to have been awarded their PhD not more than 10 years prior to applying for the grant. Allowances can be made for career breaks or other extenuating circumstances. Final year PhD students are also eligible to apply.
- A senior researcher from each university/research institute must be appointed to be responsible for the oversight and progress of the research project.
- The British Council Child Protection Policy applies for research projects involving children.

[For further detail click](#)

<https://www.britishcouncil.org/education/science/south-asia-programmes/small-scale-research-project-scheme>

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