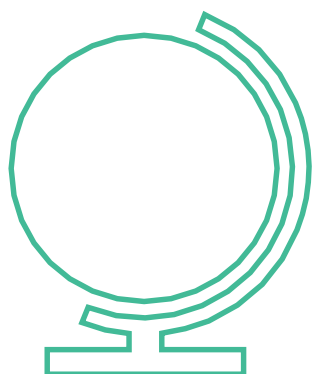


## Overview of the RSIF Research and Innovation Granting Process

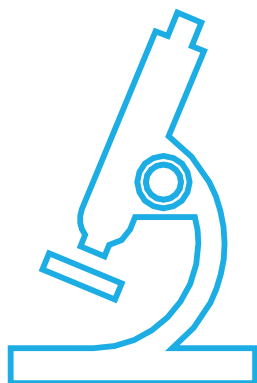
RSIF offers competitive grants that compliment RSIF Ph.D. training scholarships. These grants support knowledge generation, promote scientific excellence and encourage the use of knowledge for development impact in the Sub-Saharan Africa (SSA). Additionally, the RSIF grants present its recipients with opportunities to reach out to and create synergies with national research funds. Collaboration with international partners and private sector partners is highly encouraged across all the grants.

### Our grant management principles and practices



1. We aim to ensure a transparent and efficient Call Process.
2. To promote scientific excellence and high technical quality
3. To implement cost-effective financial and administrative management processes
4. To ensure effective, monitoring, evaluation and learning
5. Promote stakeholder engagement and collaborations with private sector and international partners.

### Expected outcomes to countries from the investment in Research and Innovation Grant Activities



- High quality researchers (including post-doctoral researchers)
- Enhanced retention of PhD graduates
- Increased opportunities to translate research outputs into commercial products.
- Increased University-Industry cooperation, networks and partnership building
- Document lessons for setting up or improving National Research and Innovation Funds
- Better qualified and skilled workforce

### Design of the Grants

1. RSIF mobilizes financial resources from governments, private sector and international partners to fund the Research and Innovation Grants. The Grants are awarded competitively to high quality proposal teams.
2. The Regional Coordinating Unit of RSIF periodically publishes Calls for Proposals targeting qualified faculty, researchers and partners from African Host Universities, private sector firms, and International Partner Organizations (academic and developmental organizations).

Refer to the Call for Proposal document to see more information about the specific grant and eligibility requirements.

3. Grant beneficiaries gain access to high-quality complimentary capacity building and professional development opportunities to foster talent, build networks and encourage cross-disciplinary collaboration.
4. The grants encourage integration of PhD scholars in the research projects to foster scientific excellence and mentorship.

### Applying for a Grant

All Grant applications are submitted via an online portal hosted by icipe, the Regional Coordinating Unit. Potential applicants are required to register and initiate the proposal submission process online, the system allows the applicant to save and continue the application later. Please refer to the relevant Call for Proposal document for a link to the application portal.

### Overview of the Grants selection Process

