

THE PASET REGIONAL SCHOLARSHIP AND INNOVATION FUND

RSIF COOPERABILITY GRANTS

Webinar session Questions & Answers

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| Question & Response |
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| <p>1. Can Public Universities collaborate with not-for-profit institutions such as ICIPE, ILRI IFDC etc? Yes, an eligible university can collaborate with any profit or not-for-profit organization as collaborators in the proposals. However, the lead applicant must be a faculty from any one of the selected RSIF African Host Universities. Other universities, research institutes, private sector partners can participate in the Call as collaborating international partners. See list of the selected Africa Host Universities here (https://www.rsif-paset.org/partners/)</p> |
| <p>2. What does the 15% funding mean (in kind or in cash)? Is it co-financing from the host institution? Yes, the grant requires matching funding of at least 15% over and above the USD 50,000 to be provided by RSIF. The matching funding can be in cash or in-kind and can be provided by the African host universities or shared with collaborating partners.</p> |
| <p>3. Can technical college collaborate with any eligible university? Yes, technical colleges are eligible to collaborate in the proposals.</p> |
| <p>4. Please clarify what you mean by "Involvement with RSIF" under Lead Applicant Details in the application form. Under this section, the applicant is required to indicate their participation in the RSIF selected PhD program in the university i.e is s/he a faculty or a supervisor of RSIF scholars in the program.</p> |
| <p>5. Are the grant opportunities available every year? No, the call for proposals is published based on available funding.</p> |
| <p>6. If a link with a person from an RSIF university, s/he must be the lead person even if the idea is mine? Yes, the lead applicant must be a faculty member or a supervisor from the African Host University. However, RSIF has provided relevant instruments to guide the management of intellectual property within the project team.</p> |
| <p>7. Is the funds limited to USD 50,000 what happens if my proposal might need more funding The maximum RSIF can provide for implementation of the proposal is \$50,000, applicants are encouraged to source for any required extra funding and provide the same as matching funding.</p> |
| <p>8. How many proposals are going to be funded? Based on available budget, RSIF will fund up to 3 proposals. The quality of proposals will determine the number to be funded.</p> |
| <p>9. At the African Host University, is it compulsory to work with a faculty/ researcher within the selected PhD program/ department or I can work with someone from a different department? Yes, we encourage partnerships with the selected PhD program and proposals to be in line with the thematic area for which the African Host University has been selected for. However, faculty and researchers from other departments can be incorporated in the proposal as part of the project team.</p> |