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Assistant Director of the Irish Research Council
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COALESCE Research Fund 2019
‘Collaborative Alliances for Societal Challenges’ – Second Call

**Aim:** To fund excellent research addressing national and European/global challenges, in partnership with government department and agencies.

“The overall aim of this call is to cultivate new knowledge, evidence, collaborations and links that enhance the role and impact of Ireland’s research community in contributing to the achievement of national challenges and wider global goals. COALESCE will leverage the quality of Ireland’s research base to address societal challenges. The call will drive active collaboration between those who produce new knowledge and those who use it.”
COALESCE Research Fund 2019

Application process:

• Applicants consult the COALESCE Terms & Conditions & Indicative Application Form, noting 2019 funding strands:
  1. Irish Human Rights Equality Commission
  2. HSE Sexual Health and Crisis Pregnancy Programme
  3. Department of Children and Youth Affairs
  4. Met Éireann
  5. Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

• Applications are submitted using the IRC’s online submission portal

Application timelines:

• **Call Open:** June 2019
• **Applicant Deadline:** 8 August 2019
• **Research Office endorsement deadline:** 19 August 2019
• **Outcome of scheme:** December 2019
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) Overview

Mary McCarthy
A Better World
Ireland’s Policy for International Development
Vision and Rationale

• A more equal, peaceful and sustainable world

• International development cooperation as a central part of Ireland’s foreign policy [Global Ireland: our global influence and footprint]

• Delivering on 0.7 % GNI to ODA by 2030

• Ireland’s response to changing global context and challenges, and response to the SDGs

• Reiterating Ireland’s strong commitment to the multilateral, rules-based order
FURTHEST BEHIND FIRST

REDUCE HUMANITARIAN NEED

GENDER EQUALITY

CLIMATE ACTION

PROTECTION

FOOD

STRENGTHENED GOVERNANCE

Capacity
Coordination
Policy Influence
Research and Learning
Public Engagement
Research and Learning in *A Better World*

• Central role of research and evidence for Ireland’s development cooperation and policy influencing

• Support and engagement with higher education/research sectors; recognising this critical constituency and its contribution to international development

• Building north-south research collaborations and cooperation

• Positioning Irish-led research consortia for Horizon Europe funding
Priorities for Strand 2B: Better World Awards

Furthest behind first

- Gender Equality
- Reducing Humanitarian Need
- Climate Action
- Strengthened Governance
Ireland’s Official Development Assistance
Met Éireann Overview

Evelyn Cusack
Making Ireland Weather and Climate Prepared

COALESCE 2019

MET ÉIREANN STRAND

Evelyn Cusack

28-May 2019
AN ERA OF CHANGE

Climate and weather are changing

Societal vulnerability is increasing

The nature of weather information is changing
EXTREME WEATHER
National Meteorological Service:

- Monitor, analyse and predict Ireland's weather and climate
- Provide a range of high quality meteorological and related information
- Help to ensure the protection and safety of life and property
Making Ireland Weather and Climate Prepared

- 47 million individual visits from 10 million Visitors to the Met Éireann Web sites (in 2017)

- The number of App installations as of January this year is:
  - iPhone 140,000
  - Android 187,000
Making Ireland Weather and Climate Prepared

Response Process

- Awareness
- Understanding
- Believing
- Personalise
- Response

Confirmation

Decision
Factors associated with **Sender** Characteristics

- **Warning information:**
  - Content
  - Style

- **Source:**
  - Authoritative voice;
  - Familiarity

- **Channel:**
  - Frequency;
  - Interaction

Factors associated with **Recipient** Characteristics

- **Environmental:**
  - Physical & Social Cues
  - Location

- **Social:**
  - Network, Culture
  - Resources, Role etc.

- **Physical:**
  - Mobility, Disability

- **Psychological:**
  - Knowledge, Stress, Past Experience

**Confirmation**
WEATHER & CLIMATE SERVICES

- Climate Information
- Research
- Reports
- Analysis/Reanalysis
- Interpretative layer
- Data Access

Recent weather & Past Climate

Observations

Monthly

Seasonal

ECMWF

EC-EARTH
- Regional
- Case studies

Climate simulations & Future Weather

Climate services continuum
Part A) Understanding the usage of Weather Forecasts and Warnings

to find out where users get their weather information; how they perceive, respond and act on forecasts and warnings
understanding the public perception and interpretation of probabilistic weather information
how the usage and interpretation of Met Éireann’s weather services varies amongst users

evidence-based recommendations

- effective communication of weather forecasts and warnings with an understanding of human behaviour
- effective communication of risk and uncertainty
- engagement with weather service users and validated by sociological and psychological studies
COALESCE 2019 – MET ÉIREANN

Part B) Understanding the public usage of Climate Services

to understand the Climate Service needs of the Irish public

to determine how and why users get climate information

to understand how users perceive, respond and act on climate information

to understand their interpretation of climate projection uncertainty

current and future climate service needs of the Irish public

- effective communication of climate information with an understanding of human behaviour
- effective communication of risk and uncertainty
THANK YOU!
Department of Children and Youth Affairs overview

Dr Kasey Treadwell Shine
Irish Research Council 2019 COALESCE Research Fund Strand 1F

‘Developing context-sensitive methods, tools and principles for inclusive terminology and appropriate language to represent persons who spent time in the institutions known as Mother and Baby Homes and related institutions and their experiences in these institutions.’

Funded by the Department of Children and Youth Affairs

Dr. Kasey Treadwell Shine, Research and Evaluation Unit, DCYA
28th May 2019
Overview

- Under Strand 1F of the IRC 2019 COALESCE Research Fund DCYA is providing funding for this one 12 month research study.

- The study is a response to recommendations in the first report of the Collaborative Forum of Former Residents of institutions known as Mother and Baby Homes and Related Institutions, in respect of developing appropriate terminology and language.

- Any successful proposal is expected to commence by end year 2019, and to be informed by the separate work of the independent statutory Commission of Investigation (Mother and Baby Homes and Certain Related Matters) that is expected to publish its final report in February 2020.
Further Details

Purpose
1. Developing, testing and disseminating context-sensitive methods, principles and tools for a shared terminology and language, from a transitional justice perspective.
2. Documenting methodological approach, tools and learning that could be applied to other situations requiring the development of context-sensitive shared terminology and language.

Budget and timeline
- €60,000
- Expected to commence by end 2019 with project completion by end 2020.

Objectives
- Develop a draft set of tools/outputs and principles based upon a review of the Commission of Investigation reports and other material; international and national literature.
- Test these tools and principles with key stakeholders/experts, including with those who spent time in the relevant institutions.
- Refine tools and principles and support DCYA’s effort to disseminate same.
More details are available in the Terms and Conditions.

Any questions? Please e-mail

dcyareasearch@dcya.gov.ie

Thank you.
HSE Sexual Health and Crisis Pregnancy Programme Overview

Dr Deirdre Quinn on behalf of HSE SH CPP
IRC HSE Sexual Health & Crisis Pregnancy Programme Award

Shláinte Gnéis agus
Clár Thoirchis Ghéarchéime
Sexual Health &
Crisis Pregnancy Programme
About the HSE SHCPP

• The Health Service Executive (HSE) Sexual Health & Crisis Pregnancy Programme (SHCPP) is a national policy priority programme situated within the National Strategy and Planning function of the HSE.


• The aims of the strategy are to improve sexual health and wellbeing and to reduce negative sexual health outcomes.
National Sexual Health Strategy 2015 - 2020

• A key focus of the strategy is the development and use of knowledge to support decision-making to improve the health of the population.

• A key recommendation in the strategy is to build on the existing evidence base to understand emerging trends relating to crisis pregnancy and sexual health and to undertake new research initiatives to address knowledge gaps.

• For further information, see http://sexualwellbeing.ie/about/corporate-publications.
Evidence-informed practice

- The HSE SHCPP places a strong emphasis on evidence-informed planning and practice.

- Research and knowledge transfer are important components in how the HSE SHCPP has conducted its business across a range of areas, including; informing developments in national policy; programme service planning; developing practice guidelines; and initiating, monitoring and evaluating communications and education initiatives and resources.

- The existing body of research and publications available at: http://sexualwellbeing.ie/for-professionals/research
Proposal requirements

• The SHCPP seeks to elicit proposals from the academic research community that draw on new ideas relevant to national policy relating to unplanned pregnancy and/or sexual health in Ireland

• The SHCPP is particularly interested in research studies with an applied focus that seek to address current knowledge gaps in practice and service provision directly relevant to its programme of work; and which will support in the development of new frameworks to address these gaps
Proposal requirements

• The SHCPP would welcome proposals seeking to provide insights into the provision of abortion services in Ireland since introduced on January 1\textsuperscript{st}, 2019, with a view to understanding more about the experiences, challenges and complexities associated with the implementation of this new service.

• The SHCPP is also interested in applications addressing other relevant areas of work.
Proposal requirements

This ‘open call’ for research proposals should:

• consider the function of the HSE SHCPP and its existing body of evidence

• seek to identify new perspectives or information gaps in the evidence or relevant areas of interest

• have an applied focus that intend to result in new insights on key issues
Proposal requirements

• The outputs should be practical in nature with a view to informing practice and policy

• Quality assurance or refereeing processes should be considered in the proposal
Requirements of successful project

• A steering group or advisory structure should be convened to support the research project. The composition of this should be described in the application.

• The SHCPP should be invited to participate in or provide a nominee to any steering group or advisory structure being convened to support the research project.

• The production of draft reports for review by the SHCPP and project steering group and a high quality final report of publishable standard will be required.
Thank You

https://www.sexualwellbeing.ie/for-professionals/research/
COALESCE 1C Combatting racism and promoting intercultural understanding

Iris Elliott FRSA PhD, Head of Policy and Research

Coimisiún na hÉireann um Chearta an Duine agus Comhionannas
Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission
1c IHREC: Themes, 15 months, €100,000

- Combatting racism and promoting intercultural understanding in an increasingly diverse multi-national and multi-ethnic society in Ireland;
- The development of intercultural understanding among children and young people in Ireland;
- Minority ethnic communities’ experiences of and access to public and/or private services in Ireland;
- Minority ethnic communities’ access to employment and experience in the workplace in Ireland;
- Minority ethnic communities’ experiences of and access to political participation and representation in Ireland;
- Minority ethnic communities’ experiences of access to justice in Ireland.
Aligned: IHREC’s Mandate, Strategy

Ireland’s national human rights and equality institution

**Mandate:** Build a culture of respect for human rights, equality and **intercultural understanding** in the State

**Strategy:** Combatting racism and promoting intercultural understanding: Countering racism and hate speech is imperative to the building of acceptance of diversity and respect for the dignity of all persons. We commit to playing a leadership role in combatting racism and promoting intercultural understanding.
Impactful: Hate Track exemplar

• Agenda Setting Events
  o ‘Not so social media’, IHREC (Dublin, 2018)
  o ‘Not on Our Watch’, Equinet (Rome, 2018)

• Good Practice Exemplar
  o EC Equality Data Sub-group, (London 2019)

• International Reporting

• National Policy, Data
  o Policy Statement on Hate Crime, Hate Speech (forthcoming 2019)
  o Proposals for Recording and Monitoring Hate Crime (forthcoming 2019)
Application Process: Changes

• No EOI requirement in 2019
• Strand 1J added
• Project description increased to 14 pages with a minimum of two pages to be dedicated methods and analysis.
• Queries to PM (Dr Deirdre Quinn) at projects@research.ie
Submit queries to projects@research.ie
Previously submitted queries will be addressed first.