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Time	Topic	Participant
13:40	Context for the call	D. Quinn
14:00	Strand structure	D. Quinn
14:15	Strand 2B	M. McCarthy
14:25	Q&A	K. Treadwell-Shine (DCYA) M. McCarty (Irish AID) I. Elliot (IHREC) B. Casey (CSO) D. Lynn (DCHG)
14:45	How to apply	D. Quinn
15:00	Open floor	D. Quinn





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SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT
GOALS



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Building Ireland's
Future



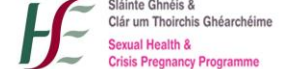
COALESCE

Collaborative Alliances for Societal Challenges

- First challenge based call
- Building on framework established in 'CAROLINE'
- Responding and reflecting the **National Development Plan (NDP)**, **Ireland 2040 (NPF)** and **Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)** identified by the UN.
- Campus Engage

IRC in partnership with:

- Irish Aid
- Central Statistics Office (CSO)
- Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission (IHREC)
- Geological Survey Ireland (GSI)/Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment
- Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht (DCHG)
- Sexual Health and Crisis Pregnancy Programme/HSE
- Department of Children and Youth Affairs (DCYA)



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Important Deadlines for this Call

Launch of call	1 June 2018
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Strand 1

Engage

Cultivate

Reward

Incentivize

Objectives

- Underpin progress towards one or more NSO
- Strategic funding partnerships
- Collaboration
- Policy making and evidence based decisions
- New opportunities
- Develop capacity in research system to work within a nationally challenge based approach.

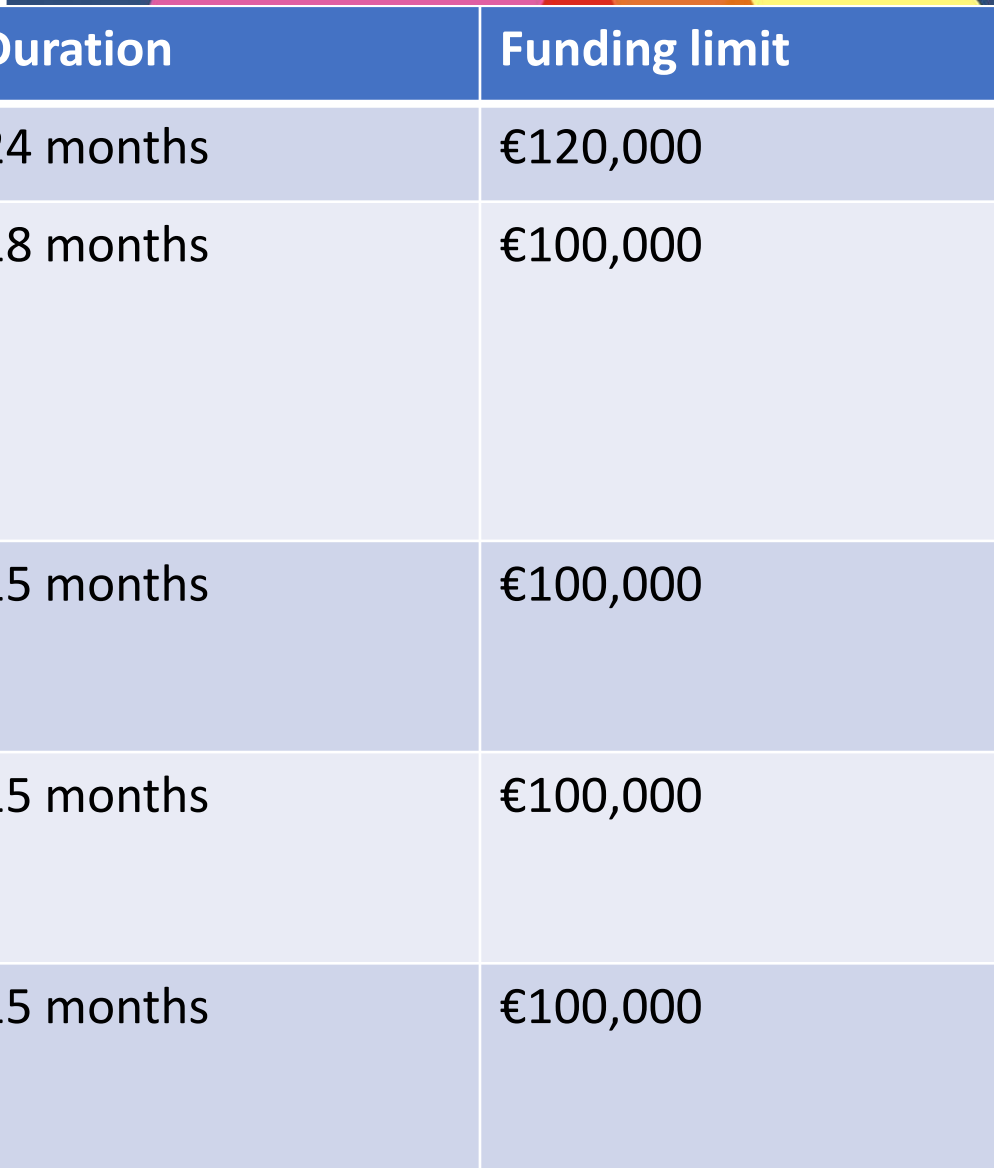


National Strategic Outcomes

1. Compact Growth
2. Regional Accessibility
3. Strengthen Rural Economies and Communities
4. Sustain Mobility
5. A Strong Economy
6. High Quality International Connectivity
7. Enhanced Amenity and Heritage
8. Transition to Low Carbon and Climate Resilient Society
9. Sustainable Management of Water, Waste and Environmental resources
10. Access to Quality Childcare, Education and Health Services



Strand 1



Strand	Title	Duration	Funding limit
1A - IRC	Open Call	24 months	€120,000
1B-CSO	Research addressing owner-occupied housing and private rental accommodation	18 months	€100,000
1C -IHREC	Intercultural understanding and diversity in Ireland	15 months	€100,000
1D - IHREC	Advancing Socio-Economic Rights in Ireland	15 months	€100,000
1E – HSE Crisis Pregnancy Programme	Sexual Health and Crisis Pregnancy Research Award	15 months	€100,000

Strand 1



Strand	Title	Duration	Funding limit
1F -DCYA	Understanding pathways to involvement in anti-social behaviour among young people: identifying risk and protective factors, and the opportunity for effective early intervention and prevention	12 months	€90,000
1G – DCHG/ National Parks and Wildlife Services	Research in biodiversity financing policy award II: Financial needs and strategic planning	24 months	€100,000

Strand 1

Strand	Title	Duration	Funding limit
1H- GSI	Geoscience and education communication	24 months	€100,000
1I - GSI	Estimating and communicating the societal value of geological heritage	24 months	€100,000



Strand 1: Eligibility

PI holding contract of sufficient duration with an eligible HEI or RPO to carry out the proposed research from the project start date until project end.

<http://research.ie/about-us/policies/>

Doctoral degrees no later than 1 November 2016.
The date of graduation should be taken into account.

Not be in receipt of any other Council funding at the proposed start date, with the exception of New Foundation and/or Ulysses award(s).



Strand 1: Eligibility

3.4 General Application Conditions

Lead applicant and any co-PIs must be in a position to devote adequate time to the management and realisation of the project.

The PIs are advised that, by submitting applications in their own name, they personally undertake to develop the project, with due attention and viable commitments of time and without sub-contracting the project to another party or parties. In addition, the requirements set out by the Strategic Partners are part of the general Terms and Conditions of this scheme.



Strand 1: Eligibility

3.4 General Application Conditions

Applicants may concurrently apply for a Strand 1 and Strand 2 award. In the event of an applicant being successful in more than one strand in this call, the applicant must clearly indicate a time-management strategy and must receive approval for same from the Irish Research Council in order to be permitted to accept both awards



Strand 1 Evaluation

STRAND 1 Evaluation Criteria		
Evaluation Criterion	Detail	Mark/100
Quality of Proposal	<p>Suitability of the proposal's concept and objectives in relation to the intentions of the scheme, to include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the potential of the proposed research to inform policy and/or practice within the chosen National Strategic Outcome (NSO) <u>or</u> partner strand theme; the potential of the project to contribute to the future development of research in the topic area. <p>Comprehensiveness and quality of the approach to be adopted including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ research methodology; ➤ data management; ➤ consideration of ethical and sex-gender issues; and ➤ the limitations of the approach to be adopted. <p>The experience and expertise of the applicant relevant to the proposed project including demonstration of a proven ability to carry out the work in an impartial and objective manner.</p>	45
Policy collaboration and impact	<p>Evidence of the integration of cross-sectoral collaboration including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ policy partners secured ➤ coherence, credibility of collaboration, including innovative aspects ➤ co-funding from partners* ➤ other resources committed by cross-sector partners 	25
Feasibility of the implementation and management of the proposed project	<p>Feasibility of project plan including timeline.</p> <p>Proposed management of the project including an ability to deliver key outputs on time, clarity of description of milestones and feasibility and suitability of timescales.</p>	20
Proposed Cost and Value for Money	<p>Appropriate allocation of resources and demonstrated value for money to include a full description of costs, justification for these costs and a plan to ensure best use of resources.</p>	10

Strand 2 Support Expansion Collaborate Sustainable

Objectives

- Underpin progress towards one or more Sustainable Development Goal (SDG)
- Build new connections and take new directions
- Collaboration
- STEAM agenda
- New opportunities
- Impact policy



SDGs

<https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/?menu=1300>

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



Strand 2A: Eligibility

Applicants in any AHSS discipline (see Annex A with call documentation) can apply for funding along with a named applicant from any STEM discipline (see Annex B).

An interdisciplinary application shall, on the call deadline (3 September 2018), be submitted by:

An AHSS PI who already holds a contract of sufficient duration with an eligible HEI or RPO to carry out the proposed research from the project start date until project end



Strand 2A: Eligibility

WITH

A **mandatory and named** STEM Co-PI (co-applicant) who already holds a contract of sufficient duration with an eligible HEI or RPO to carry out the proposed research from the project start date until project end.

Both AHSS Lead PI and STEM Co-PI must:
Have been awarded their doctoral degrees no later than 1 November 2016. For this condition, the date of graduation should be taken into account.

Not be in receipt of any other Council funding at the proposed start date, with the exception of New Foundations and/or Ulysses grant award(s).



Strand 2A Evaluation

Strand 2A Evaluation Criteria		
Evaluation Criterion	Detail	Mark/100
Quality of Proposal	<p>Suitability of the proposal's concept in relation to the intention of the scheme, to include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The significance and contribution of the proposed project to the specific field of research or research topic. • The interdisciplinary approach and its relevance to the SDG addressed by the proposal. <p>Comprehensiveness and quality of the approach to be adopted including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ research methodology; ➤ data management; ➤ consideration of ethical and sex-gender issues; and ➤ the limitations of the approach to be adopted. <p>The experience and expertise of the applicants relevant to the proposed project including demonstration of a proven ability to carry out the work in an impartial and objective manner.</p>	45
Collaboration and impact	<p>Potential for further capacity-building (for example, consortia building on interdisciplinary projects for FP9)</p> <p>Evidence of the integration of cross-sectoral collaboration, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ non-academic partners secured ➤ coherence, credibility of collaboration, including innovative aspects ➤ co-funding from partners ➤ other resources committed by cross-sector partners 	25
Feasibility of the implementation and management of the proposed project	<p>Feasibility of project plan including timeline.</p> <p>Proposed management of the project including an ability to deliver key outputs on time, clarity of description of milestones and feasibility of timescales.</p>	20
Proposed Cost and Value for Money	<p>Appropriate allocation of resources and demonstrated value for money to include a full description of costs, justification for these costs and a plan to ensure best use of resources.</p>	10

Strand 2B: Eligibility

A successful application shall, on the call deadline (3 September 2018), be submitted by:

A lead Principal Investigator who already holds a contract of sufficient duration with an eligible HEI or RPO to carry out the proposed research from the project start date until project end.

See list of eligible institutions in <http://research.ie/about-us/policies/>



Strand 2B: Eligibility

WITH

A **mandatory and named** Co-PI (co-applicant) employed by a research-performing organisation (RPO) in one of Irish Aid's partner countries and who will be in a position to carry out the proposed research from the project start-date until the project end. The RPO in the partner country can be a public or not-for-profit higher education institution or research institute. The RPO must have the capacity and infrastructure to support the research.



Strand 2B: Eligibility

The lead applicant will:

Be at least five years post-PhD

Have at least two years' experience as a Principal Investigator

Have experience of collaboration within research consortia and/or international research projects

Have a track record in research under one or more of the Irish Aid themes for this strand.





Strand 2B Evaluation Criteria		
Evaluation Criterion	Detail	Mark/100
Quality of Proposal, including policy impact	<p>Suitability of the proposal's concept in relation to the intention of the scheme, to include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● The significance and contribution of the proposed project to the chosen Irish Aid thematic focus● The potential of the project to contribute to the development of global development policy, particularly in partner country/ies <p>Comprehensiveness and quality of the approach to be adopted including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➢ research methodology;➢ data management;➢ consideration of ethical and sex-gender issues; and➢ the limitations of the approach to be adopted. <p>The experience and expertise of the applicants relevant to the proposed project including demonstration of a proven ability to carry out the work in an impartial and objective manner.</p>	45
Collaboration and Capacity	<p>Potential for the project to support enhanced research capacity in partner countries</p> <p>Potential for the project to enhance global north-south partnership targeting future applications to FP9 and/or other international funding opportunities</p> <p>Evidence of the integration of cross-sectoral policy or civil society partners</p>	25
Feasibility of the implementation and management of the proposed project	<p>Feasibility of project plan including timeline.</p> <p>Proposed management of the project including transnational aspects; an ability to deliver key outputs on time; clarity of description of milestones; and feasibility and of timescales.</p>	20
Proposed Cost and Value for Money	<p>Appropriate allocation of resources and demonstrated value for money to include a full description of costs, justification for these costs and a plan to ensure best use of resources on a transnational basis.</p>	10



Strand 2B

Mary McCarthy
Irish Aid





- **COALESCE 2018**
- **Strand 2B: Responding to Agenda 2030**





Research is central to Irish Aid's development policy

Research Goal:

Poverty and vulnerability are reduced through the application of research and evidence

Three objectives of the Irish Aid Research Strategy

**To build evidence,
new and existing, on
Irish Aid priorities for
poverty reduction**

**To strengthen
communication and
policy uptake of
Irish Aid funded and
other research**

**To improve capacity to
plan for, conduct and
apply development
research in Irish Aid
partner countries**

‘One World, One Future’

3 Goals:

GOAL 1:
REDUCED HUNGER,
STRONGER
RESILIENCE

GOAL 2:
SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT,
INCLUSIVE
ECONOMIC GROWTH

GOAL 3:
BETTER GOVERNANCE,
HUMAN RIGHTS AND
ACCOUNTABILITY

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



Changing Context

- SDGs
- New White Paper for International Development in 2018
- Post-PSC (Programme for Strategic Cooperation, 2006-16)
- Operating in conflict/fragility

Thematic Priorities

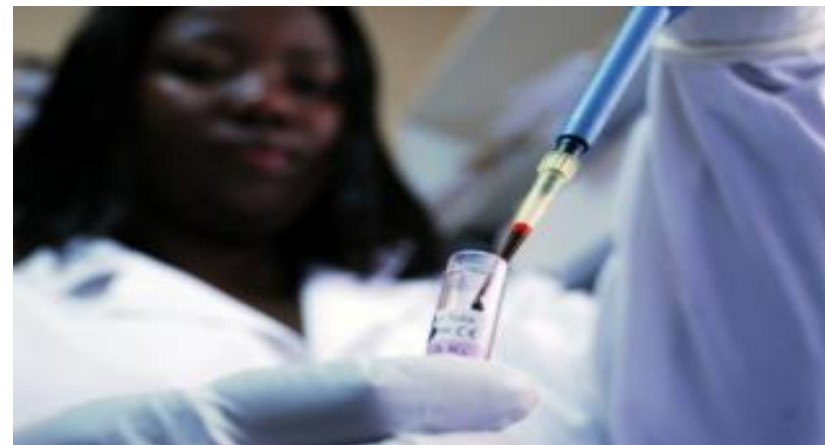
Agriculture, Food &
Nutrition

Climate Change

Gender

Conflict & Fragility

Health



Education

Equality & Inclusion

Modalities
(Innovative Means
of Delivery)

Thank you



Strand Context Q & A

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Barra Casey (CSO)

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EOIs and FAQs

- [Expression of interest](#) for each application
- Non submission will render an application ineligible
- Return with nomination reviewer nomination template to projects@research.ie before the deadline of June 28th 2018
- [Frequently asked questions](#) : first port of call is your Research Office or equivalent institution contact.
- FAQs are submitted by RO
- Final FAQs accepted August 20th
- Updated weekly until the final update the week of August 28th.





Open to the floor...





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