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| Programme Name | COALESCE 2018 |
| Project ID | The OLS will generate this ID. |
| Application Deadline | 3/09/2018 |
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COALESCE Research Fund 2018

Indicative Application Form

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| Irish Research Body |  |
| Applicant Details | |
| Name |  |
| Date of Birth |  |
| Postcode |  |
| What is your nationality, i.e. your passport-issuing country? |  |

\*\*The above fields in the Applicant Details (section 1.4) are populated based on your personal profile. This section can be updated from the Home Screen of the OLS under ‘Manage your profile’. If you are a new user you will have to create a profile before you can begin to apply.

**Eligibility Information**

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**Do you currently an Irish Research Council Award?**

Yes/No

**If yes will your award be completed by the COALESCE project start date?**

Yes/No

**Have you previously held an Irish Research Council Award or Awards?**

Yes/No

**Were you a recipient of the Irish Research Council Research Development Initiative, Collaborative Research Project or Research Project Grant funding in 2016 or 2017?**

Yes/No

**Will you be in receipt of any other Council funding at the proposed start date of December 2018 with the exception of New Foundations and/or a Ulysses award??**

Yes/No

**Did you submit an Expression of Interest form on or before 28th June 2018?**

If you selected no, your application is automatically INELIGIBLE.

Yes/No

**Employment status**

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| Permanent |  |
| Indefinite duration |  |
| Fixed term contract |  |
| Not currently employed |  |

**Strands 1A-II and 2A: Are you an academic or researcher who has been awarded their doctoral degrees no later than 1 November 2016. For this condition, the date of graduation should be taken into account.**

Yes/No

**Strand 2B:** **Are you an academic or researcher who has been awarded their doctoral degrees no later than 1 November 2013. For this condition, the date of graduation should be taken into account.**

Yes/No

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**Strands 1A-1I: Are you an academic or researcher who, on the call deadline 3rd September 2018, holds a contract of sufficient duration with a Higher Education Institution or a recognised Research Performing Organisation (as defined in the 2018 Terms & Conditions) to carry out the proposed research from the project start date of December 2018, until the project end date?**

Yes/No

**Strand 2A**: **Are you an academic or researcher who, on the call deadline 3rd September 2018, holds a contract of sufficient duration with a Higher Education Institution or a recognised Research Performing Organisation (as defined in the 2018 Terms & Conditions) to carry out the proposed research from the project start date of December 2018, until the project end date?**

Yes/No

**Strand 2A: Is the identified co-PI on strand 2A a STEM academic or researcher who, on the call deadline 3rd September 2018, holds a contract of sufficient duration with a Higher Education Institution or a recognised Research Performing Organisation (as defined in the 2018 Terms & Conditions) to carry out the proposed research from the project start date of December 2018, until the project end date?**

Yes/No

**Strand 2B: Are you an academic or researcher who, on the call deadline 3rd September 2018, holds a contract of sufficient duration with a Higher Education Institution or a recognised Research Performing Organisation (as defined in the 2018 Terms & Conditions) to carry out the proposed research from the project start date of December 2018, until the project end date?**

Yes/No

**Strand 2B:** **Are you an academic or reseaseracher who has at least two years expereince as a PI, expereince of aollaboration with research consortia and/orinternational research projects and who has a track record in research under one or more of the Irish Aid themes for this strand?**

Yes/No

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**Strand 2B: Is the co PI** **academic or reseaseracher who has at least two years expereince as a PI, expereince of aollaboration with research consortia and/orinternational research projects and who has a track record in research under one or more of the Irish Aid themes for this strand?**

Yes/No

**Have you informed the Research Office in the (proposed) host institution of your intention to submit an application to the COALESCE Programme?**

Yes/No

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**I confirm that the information supplied in this application is correct:**

**I Agree** \_\_\_\_

**Project Details**

\*Please select the appropriate funding strand for which you are applying:

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| Strand 1A | Open call for research addressing National Strategic Outcomes (NSOs) |  |
| Strand 1B | Research addressing owner-occupied housing and private rental accommodation |  |
| Strand 1C | Intercultural Understanding and Diversity in Ireland |  |
| Strand 1D | Advancing Socio-Economic Rights in Ireland |  |
| Strand 1E | Sexual Health and Crisis Pregnancy Research Award |  |
| Strand 1F | Understanding pathways to involvement in anti-social behaviour among young people: Identifying risk and protective factors, and the opportunities for effective early intervention and prevention |  |
| Strand 1G | Research in Biodiversity Financing Policy Award II: Financial Needs and Strategic Planning |  |
| Strand 1H | Geoscience education and communication |  |
| Strand 1I | Estimating and communicating the societal and economic value of geological heritage |  |
| Strand 2A | Open call for interdisciplinary research addressing national or global societal challenges led by AHSS PI with STEM co-PI |  |
| Strand 2B | Collaborative research with partner countries to promote policy development and build capacity |  |

\*Select one strand per application

**Award duration**

**\*\*Proposed award duration in number of months:**

\*\* See T&Cs for duration of award for each strand

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**Host Institution**

**Select HEI/RPO from the list of eligible institutions (Insert link)**

**Strand 2A allows the participation of a co-PI at an eligible HEI/RPO. Where relevant identify the eligible partner institution (insert link)**

Note: The lead PI on strand 2A (AHSS PI) will be housed in the host institution. The host institution will take full responsibility for award management, reporting and administration.

**Strand 1A**

1. Identify the Principal Investigator
2. Indicate which National Strategic Outcomes/s will be addressed in the project:
3. Identify the collaborating partner/s
4. Provide a brief outline of the value collaboration with the identified partner/partners will bring to the project including any monetary support along with the amount the partner/s will provide.

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| Primary Area |  |
| Other Research Area |  |

1. Keywords describing proposed research (<10 words)
2. Abstract. Please provide a short description of the proposed research project

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1. Lay Abstract. Please provide a short description of the proposed research project which will be used to inform a non-expert audience.

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**Strands 1B – 1I**

1. Identify the Principal Investigator
2. Indicate which National Strategic Outcomes/s will be addressed in the project.
3. Provide a brief outline of the value collaboration with the identified partner will bring to the development of evidenced based impact in the relevant policy area.

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| Primary Area |  |
| Other Research Area |  |

1. Keywords describing proposed research (<10 words)
2. Abstract. Please provide a short description of the proposed research project.

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1. Lay Abstract. Please provide a short description of the proposed research project which will be used to inform a non-expert audience.

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**Strand 2 A**

1. Identify the Principal Investigator (AHSS).
2. In the case of strand 2A identify the co-PI.

3. Identify which Sustainable Development goal/s and will be addressed in the project:

4. Identify the primary area addressed in the project

Please consult the Irish Research Council’s 2016 (Annex A) Arts, Humanities & Social Disciplines for a description of what is covered in Primary Areas, Disciplines and Other Research Areas (Insert link)

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| Primary Area |  |
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1. Identify the STEM research area involved in the project.

Please consult the Irish Research Council’s 2016 (Annex B) Science Technology Engineering & Mathematic Disciplines for a description of what is covered in Primary Areas, Disciplines and Other Research Areas:

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| Primary Area |  |

1. Keywords describing proposed research (<10 words)

Abstract. Please provide a short description of the proposed research project.

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Lay Abstract. Please provide a short description of the proposed research project which will be used to inform a non-expert audience .

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**Strand 2 B**

1. Identify the Principal Investigator
2. Identify the co-PI
3. Identify the partner country
4. Identify the co-PI in the partner country.
5. Identify the HEI/RPO in the partner country

Abstract. Please provide a short description of the proposed research project.

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Lay Abstract. Please provide a short description of the proposed research project which will be used to inform a non-expert audience.

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Please provide a short outline of the value collaboration with the identified partner country will bring to the project.

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**Detailed Project Description for all strands :**

To be uploaded as one single PDF document (strictly maximum 12 pages). This document should include the following:

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| Description of topic.  Aims and objectives.  Central research questions.  Methodology.  Research Strategy.  Alignment of the proposed research with the specific funding strand for which you are applying. |
| Outputs and Impact  The potential impact of the proposed research project on the individual/team/research programme, including the potential for further research activity, the alignment with identified NSO/s and/or SDG/s and the Institutional/organisational research and teaching strategy.  The possible impact on the teaching programme, including courses taught and students supervised or the potential impact on the development of capability in the Host Organisation.  Plans for dissemination and knowledge exchange activities. In particular, the direct outputs envisaged, evidence of collaboration and impact on policy in the relevant area.  Applicant(s)' research and other expertise relevant to the project proposal.  Research achievements including current and previous research awards.  Key Publications.  Evidence of previous evidence-based policy research.  Other research outputs (e.g. published reports, creation of data sets & databases, exhibitions, etc.).  **Maximum 12 pages** |

**\* List of Research Projects which Principal Investigator is currently involved in or has responsibility for (include details of the project title, the source of award, the funding amount and the award duration).**

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Are you applying for an award on another strand of COALESCE 2018? Yes/No

If yes, please choose the strand:

Research Schedule (including a detailed timetable for the project commencement, and a plan for the efficient management and reporting of the research project).

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You may upload a GANTT chart to illustrate the project timelines, milestones and deliverables. The system will only accept a PDF file for upload.

**Ethical Statement**

**Please read carefully the section on Research Ethics in the Terms and Conditions.**

Does the research proposal outlined in this submission require approval by the relevant University/Institutional Ethics committee?

Yes/No

Where ethical issues may arise in the research, applicants are required to submit to the Irish Research Council a written statement to the effect that full consideration has been given to the ethical implications of the research proposal. A full ethical report and approval from an ethical review committee will have to be submitted to the Irish Research Council within three months of the start date. The lead institution will take responsibility for ethics on all aspects of the proposed project.

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Does your proposed research programme deal with any of the following prohibited research areas? Please note, that if your proposed research includes research in any of the prohibited research areas listed below, your application will automatically be disqualified as outlined in the Terms and Conditions document. One exception is research related to cancer treatment of the gonads which is eligible.

Research activity aiming at human cloning for reproductive purposes.

Research activity intended to modify the genetic heritage of human beings which could make such changes heritable (research related to cancer treatment of the gonads can be financed).

Research activities to create human embryos solely for the purpose of research or for the purpose of stem cell procurement, including by means of somatic cell nuclear transfer.

Yes/None of the above

\* Does your proposed research programme relate to cancer treatment of the gonads?

Yes/No

**Does your research programme involve any of the following?**

Informed consent

Human embryonic stem cells

Privacy and data protection

Use of human biological samples and data

Research on animals

Research in developing countries

Dual use (possible military/terrorist application)

NONE OF THE ABOV

I Agree to abide by the ethical rules and regulations of my proposed Host Organisation

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**Data Management Plan (**

What standards will be applied?

* How will data be exploited and/or shared/made accessible for verification and reuse? If data cannot be made available, why?
* How data will be curated and preserved?
* If applicable, how do you plan to make the research data FAIR (findable, accessible, interoperable and reusable).
* Applicants should be cognisant of the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) and any other national guidelines that may be applicable in your jurisdiction. Funded proposals should meet the required standards in this regard.

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**Budget**

**Advisory Note on Staff Costs Staffing Requirements. Costs may include staff-replacement costs which facilitate participation in the project, but these must be clearly justified. All staff replacements ('buy-out' costs) must be accounted for according to approved Irish Research Council staff rates.**

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| The recruitment of any staff to this project must be openly recruited through public advertisement. Staff must be recruited for the specific project and awarded topic only. The only exception to this is the STEM Co-P.I. on strand 2A applications; due to being a named participant on the project, this post need not be advertised publicly |

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| **IRC Staff Costs** | **1 Calendar Year** | **½ Calendar Year** |
| Academic Replacements | €24,353 (inclusive of PRSI 10.85% & Employer PensionContribution 20% | €12,177 (inclusive of PRSI 10.85% & Employer Pension Contribution 20%) |
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| Research Assistant (can be pro-rata)Postdoctoral Researcher (can be pro-rata) | HEIs should use the institutional researcher salary scale for research assistants and postdoctoral researchers. These costs must be clearly justified in the application form. The salary requested must include provisions for PRSI 10.85% & Employer Pension Contribution 20%. As part of the award acceptance process, the research office must confirm that the requested salary is line with the institutional researcher salary scale and provide documentary evidence | |

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| **Staff Costs – Partner Country Staff Costs** | |
| Employment costs of co-PI | Up to 50% of employment costs of the co-PI in the partner country can be sought. These costs cannot be sought for coPIs employed in a permanent capacity by their host institution, or where the co-PI, at the call deadline, has a fulltime contract of employment with the host institution. Costs sought must be fully justified and align with the proposed time commitment to the project from the co-PI applicant. Any employment costs sought for the co-PI must be in line with relevant local salary scales applicable to the career stage of the co-PI. |
| Research Assistant (can be pro-rata) Postdoctoral Researcher (can be pro-rata) | Participating RPOs in partner countries can use their own institutional researcher salary scale for research assistants and postdoctoral researchers. These costs must be clearly justified in the application form. |

Please consult the Terms and Conditions for the speicifc budegt requirements for each strand.

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|  | **Total Cost requested for the full duraiton of the award:** | **Jusitification: Please provided a detailed and itemised breakdown of costs.** |
| **Personel/Staff** |  |  |
| **Collaboration** |  |  |
| **Consultancy** |  |  |
| **Dissemination and Knowledge Transfer** |  |  |
| **Travel Costs** |  |  |
| **Consumables** |  |  |
| **Access to Research Infrastructure** |  |  |
| **Publications and research outputs** |  |  |
| **Overheads** |  | 25% of direct costs excluding equipment |
| **Equipment** |  |  |
| **Total** |  |  |

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| Eligible Costs: | Total cost requested for the full duration of the award: Justification. Please provide itemised breakdown of costs and reason needed (justification fields cannot be left blank. Enter 'n/a' if necessary): |
| Personnel/Staff: |  |
| Collaboration: |  |
| Dissemination: |  |
| Travel Costs: |  |
| Consumables: |  |
| Overheads:  25% of direct cost excluding equipment. |  |
| Equipment: |  |
| Total |  |

**Applicant Declaration**

I hereby declare that I have read and accept the Applicant requirements as set out in the Terms and Conditions on the Irish Research Council website.

I confirm that the information supplied in this application is correct (NOTE: Should it become apparent that any of the information provided in the application is inaccurate or is not verifiable with appropriate documentation, it will result in the application automatically being deemed ineligible)

Please read carefully Appendix - Sex/Gender Dimension in the Terms & Conditions for help in answering this question. Does your proposed research programme involve any of the following?

* Humans as the research focus.
* Animals as the research focus.
* Human samples and/or data.
* Humans involved as consumers, users, patients, or in trials.
* Research on animals, animal samples and/or data.
* Research outputs with implications for end users or consumers.
* If your proposed research programme involves one of the above, note that your proposed research may have a potential biological sex or social gender dimension.

Yes/No

If you have answered NO to the questions above, please explain why there is no potential biological sex and/or gender dimension to be considered in your proposed research. If you have answered YES to the questions above, indicate how potential biological sex and/or gender issues will be handled. In particular, you are asked to reference the points mentioned in the ‘Checklist for sex/gender in research content’ in the Irish Research Council’s Terms and Conditions.

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