Queries and responses on the request for research proposals

Social protection, taxation, and crises

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Q.1 How do I submit my proposal?
A.1 You submit your proposal through the submission links of the request for research proposals page.

Q.2 Is another UN Agency or entity eligible to submit a proposal?
A.2 Yes. In the event that the proposal is successful, a UN-to-UN agreement would be issued.

Q.3 What is meant by research honorarium?
A.3 Research honorarium is an all-inclusive fee paid against agreed deliverables.

Q.4 Where can guidelines for the proposal be found, particularly about the formatting style (margins and references) and the word limit?
A.4 Kindly see the guidelines in the full announcement that can also be found in the left column of the request for research proposals page.

Q.5 Are proposals requiring a particular survey considered, and if so, is it be possible to access part of the funding before the paper is finished for conducting a survey?
A.5 Proposals requiring data collection through online survey may be considered. If successful, a share of the honorarium can be paid against a draft working paper and dataset. Kindly note that depending on the type of survey, an ethics review may be required.

Q.6 Are there any sample research proposals available for the guidance of interested scholars?
A.6 UNU-WIDER does not use a standard template for proposals and cannot share examples. Proposals will be assessed based on (i) relevance to the research project, (ii) strength of empirical and policy contributions, and (iii) quality and clarity of writing.