



Queries and responses on the request for research proposals

Institutional legacies of violent conflict

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Q.2 What is meant by “early-career” or “recent PhD holder”?

A.2 Candidates who have received their PhD within the last five years.

Q.3 Can mid-career candidates submit proposals?

A.3 Yes, absolutely. Preference is given to early-career researchers, but others are very welcome to submit proposals as well.

Q.4 Are there further guidelines for proposal writing?

A.4 All criteria and submission details can be found in the announcement.

Q.5 Can I use citations in the extended abstract and is a reference list included in the 1500 words limit?

A.5 References are useful and can be added outside the 1500 word limit.

Q.6 Is there additional guidance in terms of what the extended abstract should include?

A.6 The abstract should include (i) main research question, (ii) key hypotheses, (iii) methodology, (iv) description of data the paper will use and (v) case study if appropriate.

Q.7 Should teams include – as part of the CV submissions – a cover letter that explains how the team came together and the background for the cooperation on the research project they are going to propose?

A.7 In case the project/paper originates from an ongoing collaboration/programme of research, such a cover letter can be added as an Annex to the lead authors CV.

Q.8 How will the grant funds be administered? Can I use them to repay other funding sources?

A.8 The grant will be paid for the deliverable, which in this case is a paper. It will be paid in two installments, the first for the first draft of the paper and the second for the final draft. Once you have received the payment, you may use it as you wish (e.g. to finance research expenses). If you apply as an individual or group of individuals, the grant will be paid directly to the lead author. If you apply as an institution, the grant will be paid to the institution.

Q.9 Can I submit more than one proposal?

A.9 Yes.

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