

ARUA – UKRI GCRF Partnership Programme for Capacity Building

Capacity Building Call

This is a guidance document created to assist applicants to the GCRF ‘Partnership Programme for Capacity Building with ARUA Centres of Excellence’ Call, in completing their proposal. It is specific to this call and should be used in conjunction with the Scheme-specific guidance and the Call document on the UKRI web page: <https://www.ukri.org/files/funding/gcrf/arua-gcrf-pp-capacity-building-guidance/>

Important: Where information and guidance issued in this document differs from the guidance in the Call document, you should adhere to the guidance in the Call document.

Please note: Awards under this call are not a vehicle for supporting single research projects and cannot be used to fund:

- Salary costs and bursaries other than support towards a centre manager (within the 10% maximum ceiling for overall administration costs).
- Consumables
- Items of equipment
- Other research costs – major research projects or equipment costs will not be allowed.

Direct/Indirect costs

The rates of indirect costs that can be funded on an application under this Call are up to 20% of the total direct costs incurred. These should cover those costs which would be considered as part of the cost of running an effective office or research institution.

The following costs may not be included as direct costs for this call and therefore must be included in the requested indirect costs:

- Charges for office or laboratory space
- Electricity, heating, lighting
- Telephone and basic communication costs (unless there is need for significant project based activities such as phone interviews)
- Routine photocopying and printing (Large print runs such as publications or workshop papers may be charged to the grant)
- Standard Office computing, including desktop and laptop computers and associated software. Individual items of computing equipment may not be charged to a grant (High performance computing facilities which are linked to a specific research task may in some circumstances be charged to the grant – for further clarification please check with UKRI)
- Office support staff (e.g. finance staff, basic secretarial support, computing support staff)

- Continuing Professional Development for staff

Indirect costs should be fully justified in the justification of resources document (see Justification of Resources for more information).

Justification of Resources

All resources requested (directly incurred, directly allocated and exceptions, including PI) must be fully justified.

For items that would ordinarily be found in a department, for example non-specialist computers, a justification must be included both for why they are required for the project and why they cannot be provided from the Research Organisation's own resources (including funding from indirect costs from grants).