

MRC CoRE Round 1 Application Webinar - 20 July 2023 - Question Report

	Question	Answer
1	What do you see as the key differences between the research culture maturity model and the research culture action plan? Should the maturity model focus more on where we are now and the action plan more on future activities? Only 2000 words for the action plan is incredibly limited so any guidance on how to use the two documents together would be appreciated.	This question was answered live
2	Do international applicants on the leadership team need to contribute to the host research organisation(s) section (section 19)?	This question was answered live
3	1. Please can you clearly indicate which sections of the proposal and attachments should cover only first 7 years and which the full 14 years. Thank you.	This question was answered live
4	Does the training need to be managed by MRC DTPs?	Yes, you need to confirm that the MRC CoRE students will be managed as part of an existing MRC DTP.
5	About the way to complete maturity template: once we have decided on the level 2, say, as the stage we are presently at and stage 5 as the target, so we then need to capture planned progression across stages 3 and 4 as well as 5, or only capture future activities against the target stage 5?	This question was answered live
6	For purely academic collaborators with universities in the UK and overseas - presumably we don't need to complete partnership forms for them?	This question was answered live
7	In terms of categorising the research activities to take place in the CoRE as basic or applied, which impacts some of the possible IP arrangements for example, how should we proceed when it is both applied and basic research?	If you only have one industry partner and the research is basic and applied then the applied rules would be relevant. If you have more than one partner then basic rules apply to the partner working on the basic research and applied rules apply to partner working on the applied research.
8	To double check that we are not supposed to submit a letter of support from the host or partner universities?	This question was answered live
9	I understand that Catapults are currently going through a process to become eligible to apply to hold their own UKRI grants. Are Catapults still eligible to be a project partner on the CoRE?	This question was answered live
10	re: PhD students: in the case of students in non-MRC subjects, is their training required to be managed through an ESRC DTP (for example).	All MRC CoRE students should be managed through an MRC DTP. We are not aware of an outline application in this round that doesn't have a local DTP they could link to.

11	Which sections of the proposal should applicants include reference to PPIE? Do you have any guidance on how much information to include?	This question was answered live
12	How much influence (and therefore evidence) does MRC envisage that the CoRE should have in institutional culture change?	This question was answered live
13	Just to clarify: Re International PIs... do they need to be members of the Leadership team or this is not needed? thank you!	This question was answered live
14	Can a PI be a co-applicant on more than one MRC CoRE?	This question was answered live
15	Could you clarify the distinction between old role names (which we should use) versus new role names (which we should not use) for investigators?	This question was answered live
16	Do MRC envisage income from commercialisation activity (licensing, potential spin out) as eligible within the requirement for £21m income over 7 years?	This question was answered live
17	What technology readiness level do you expect the research outcomes to be by the end of year 7, given the requirement for the translational research strategy? And bearing in mind the iterative cycle of development this will take?	This question was answered live
18	Thanks for the webinar. Another question about project partners. I think the panel said that if a PI or Col is on leadership team or research team then they cannot also be a project partner. If someone from an organisation is a host then can someone else from that organisation be a project partner?	This question was answered live
19	Should the monitoring progress and measures of success mirror the objectives in the gantt	This question was answered live