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EPSRC-Defra Reimagining Circularity Funding Opportunity: Full Stage Informational Webinar

Thursday 17th September 2026, 2:00pm UK Time



**EPSRC Sustainable Manufacturing Team
Defra Circular Economy Science Team**

Format of today's webinar

- Introductions to the team leading this funding opportunity (~2 minutes)
- Webinar Housekeeping (~2 minutes)
- Full Stage Information (~25 minutes)
- Moderated Question and Answer Session (~30 minutes)



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- **Eligibility questions which refer to a specific individual or team should be emailed directly to us.**



Introduction to the Team

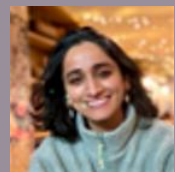
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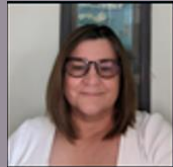
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Purpose of the Webinar

- Reintroduce and provide an overview of the Full Stage for the Reimagining Circularity Funding Opportunity
- Application Process
- Assessment Process
- Opportunity for Questions



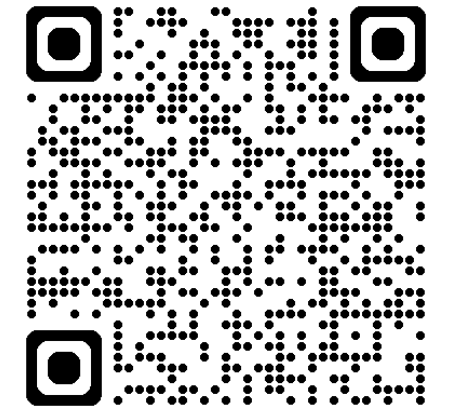


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**Please make sure that
you read the funding
opportunity document**



<https://www.ukri.org/opportunity/epsrc-defra-reimagining-circularity-full-stage/>

You can only apply for this funding opportunity if we have invited you to do so following a successful outline application.



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Broader Context of Funding Opportunity

Driving the transition to a circular economy

Our mission:

- To restore and enhance the environment for the next generation, leaving it in a better state than we found it.

What we do:

- Defra oversees a wide range of areas including the natural environment, biodiversity, agriculture, fisheries, food, animal welfare, rural communities, and climate change adaptation.
- We want to drive a transition to a circular economy through policies that promote resource efficiency, waste reduction, and sustainable production and consumption.

Our Circular Economy objectives:

- The government has committed transitioning towards a circular economy and is already taking action to meet this aim.
- We intend to publish a Circular Economy Growth Plan soon.
- We want to embed circular economy RD&I within our flagship R&D programme to deliver transformative change.

Why does it matter?

And the rationale for government intervention



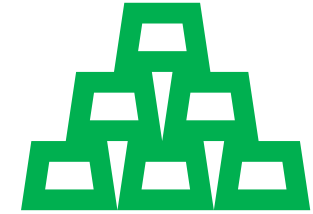
Boosting economic growth

- A circular transition could deliver economic growth capital investment and increased productivity.
- More efficient use of resources could save businesses money and increase their competitiveness.
- Redesigning products and processes to be more circular boosts innovation and investment.



Protecting our environment and sustainability

- Using products and materials in a circular way will slow down the use of natural resources, reduce landscape and habitat disruption and help to limit biodiversity loss.
- A circular economy is a key part of the UK's move to decarbonisation and net zero.



Reduce raw material dependence and improve resilience

- Supply of crucial raw materials globally is limited.
- The UK currently imports 80% of our raw material inputs, leaving us vulnerable to future global resource depletion and supply shocks.
- More circularity reduces our reliance on raw material imports.

There are many other potential benefits of moving from a linear to a circular economy, such as reducing waste crime and littering, or easing the cost of living through saving consumers money.

Areas Defra have funded

We have been working with UKRI and other government departments to fund research in the Circular Economy; here are three examples of live/closed funding calls



Advanced Recycling

- Defra-EPSRC
- Developing energy-efficient scalable, environmentally sustainable and economically viable recycling and separation technologies and systems needed to support them.

[Research to advance UK recycling capabilities – UKRI](#)



Contracts for Innovation

- DESNZ-Defra-Innovate
- Targeting construction, chemicals, and automotive sectors to assess and demonstrate the efficacy of circular solutions for resource efficiency.

[Contracts for Innovation: Resource Efficiency Impact Validation Competition - GOV.UK](#)



NICER programme

- UKRI-Defra
- Focused on multidisciplinary research to facilitate a transition to a circular economy comprising of 5 centres and a central hub.

[NICER Programme - CE Hub](#)



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Outline Stage Recap

Reimagining Circularity: Core Aims

Build collaboration and knowledge exchange across research and societal partner communities within the following specific challenge areas:

- Data and Metrics
- Textiles

The Networks will be leaders in the community to create step changes in circular solutions which maximise value and are currently under-explored.

- **For example:** retrofit, repurpose, refurbish, repair, and solutions which synthesise the aforementioned solutions together with others, such as reuse.

Key 'Plus' Component: Flexible Fund

Three streams:

- seed-corn funding
- demonstrators/feasibility studies
- research to innovation or translational research

Funding Available

Budget - we will fund 80% Full Economic Cost of a Project

- **Total fund:** £8,656,000
- Please note – the budget is unchanged per award from the Outline Stage

NetworkPlus Awards: One in each Challenge Area	Maximum Per Award (100% FEC)	Maximum EPSRC-Defra Contribution Per Award (80% FEC)	Funding duration
Data and Metrics	£5,410,000	£4,328,000	Up to 36 months
Textiles			



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Flexible fund allocation

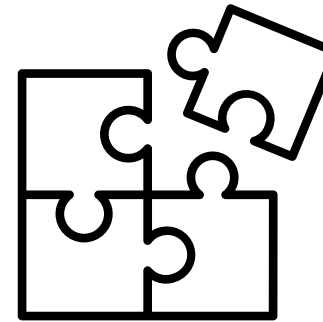
- at least 60% of overall funds applied must be allocated to flexible funds
- at least 50% of the flexible fund must be used for research to innovation or translational research to accelerate a route to market.

Reimagining Circularity: Core Outcomes

- Create visible, collaborative, innovative and interdisciplinary and/or transdisciplinary UK circular economy communities
- Drive progress to the challenge areas, identify research challenges, opportunities and priorities
- Foster an inclusive research environment that establishes a safe space to test new ways of working where failure is permitted and can be exploited to inform alternative approaches
- Lower barriers for engagement of non-academic societal partners, facilitating impact for circular economy action
- Grow capacity for and dissemination of good practice in circular economy.
- Provide early-stage support for progressing research outputs towards the next stages in creation of real-world innovation and impact via an allocation of the flexible funds
 - Improve knowledge exchange
 - Support initial testing of early-stage ideas in real world settings (feasibility studies) via demonstrators
 - Kick-start new collaborations between sectors, including via seed-corn funding

Core elements of the Network Plus

- Engage widely and be inclusive
- Identify and address challenges and opportunities
- Support UKRI research strategy and government strategy
- Engage with different places in the United Kingdom



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Strategy

UKRI Strategy 2026 to 2031

From: UKRI
Published: 13 July 2026
Last updated: 17 July 2026

Engage, include and champion early and mid-career researchers, and professional research enabling staff. For example by inclusion on the management team, intentional mentorship, and/or by provision of opportunities which particularly benefit individuals in these career stages **and allow them the opportunity to build their networks**

Expectations of the Network Plus



Evaluation and Monitoring

- Plan to evaluate and monitor work including milestones and key performance indicators.
- Plan to develop and report case studies annually via submission of an annual report (see additional grant conditions on The UKRI Funding Finder) as Network Plus progresses.
- Expectation to report progress every six months to the Advisory Board and provide information on request to UKRI and Defra.
- Carry out continuous learning, be agile in activities, develop key performance indicators and adapt according to feedback.
- Provide annual reports to be used by UKRI and Defra to highlight outcomes and impact from the network, and in informing thinking about future research, innovation, and evidence for policy making.

The 'Plus' Element: Flexible Funds

What Can a NetworkPlus Team Use The Funding For?

You must allocate:

- at least 60% of overall funds you apply for to your Flexible Fund
- at least 50% of the Flexible Fund must be used for research to innovation or translational research to accelerate a route to market.

Flexible funding must be used to fund:

- Targeted place-based demonstrators/feasibility studies (academic or addressing government or industry challenges),
- Seed-corn funding (high-risk projects, collaborative projects)
- Research to innovation or translational research.

The 'Plus' Element: Flexible Funds

Key Points

- Deliver impact and broader benefits to society, the economy, and the environment
- Funds made available at points during the NetworkPlus lifetime.
- Funds can be allocated to researchers at any organisation currently eligible for EPSRC funding.
- Include your Flexible Fund costs in your Costs section on The Funding Service
- Specify total size of the fund according to balance of activity that your team propose to undertake directly versus to disseminate via the fund.
- Robust and auditable process implemented distributing of budget externally. Explain how you will ensure processes for the allocation of funds are fair and transparent.
- Need for activities is identified by the NetworkPlus and agreed with UKRI and Defra.



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The proportion of funding allocated to the Plus element is significant and therefore a large commitment for the network lead and lead organisation.

Flexible Fund Streams

Seed-corn funding

Small-scale high potential projects to stimulate new collaborations, pilot ideas and generate early-stage evidence which can lead to larger initiatives.

Research to innovation or translational research

High-risk collaborative projects which can translate existing academic research into practical scalable solutions.

Demonstrators/Feasibility Studies:

Research and development stage instead of pilot scale innovation. Intended to support feasibility studies that test early-stage ideas/research outputs in place-based real-world settings and showcase innovative circular economy approaches (next stages in the impact pipeline).

Examples of each funding stream can be found in the call text



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What would a successful NetworkPlus look like?

- Creation of leadership of diverse and inclusive interdisciplinary and/or transdisciplinary research communities (both new and existing) across academia, industry, and policy.
- Foster new connections between relevant communities and projects, including the involvement and support for early and mid-career researchers. Applicants are strongly encouraged to form and establish long-lasting partnerships in local governance/with individuals in policy, and with third sector community groups.
- Successful embedding of the development of early and mid-career individuals within all NetworkPlus activities
- Advocate for and propose good practices to enable others to take research outcomes forward in their own discipline (e.g. toolkits, taxonomies and roadmaps). Purpose should be applicable wider than research with tangible relevancy to policy (e.g. circular economy strategy for England)
- Deliver an increase in projects addressing timely and strategically important challenges in selected research areas and sectors.
- Flexible funding successfully used for seed-corn funds, demonstrators/ feasibility studies, and research to innovation/ translational research to deliver impact and broader benefits to society, the economy, and the environment



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What has changed for the Full Stage?

Recently, UKRI has taken a significantly different approach to the Spending Review allocations process including the introduction of pan-UKRI priority programmes to address government and societal priorities. This is a significant change for the way UKRI has worked over recent years.

**Due to this, EPSRC are unable to co-fund this funding opportunity.
It will now be a Defra-only funded programme.**

What application information can change at the Full Stage?

Your application should closely match your original outline application

- **Costs:** may be below those requested at the outline stage if suitable savings can be identified. **Overall cost requested cannot be more than 10% above the value of the outline application.**
- If you plan to make significant changes to the budget or scope of your project compared to the outline stage, please discuss this with us prior to submission.
- The details of successful applicants at outline stage will be published to facilitate engagement with potential additional partners.
- **Your teams might choose to add partners or find new partners.** This could be based on outline stage panel feedback. It will be at your discretion whether to include additional partners in your application.

EPSRC will check your full stage application for:

- Remit
- Consistency with your Outline Application
- Fit to funding opportunity

We reserve the right to reject applications that do not fulfil these requirements.

Alignment to the UK's Modern Industrial Strategy 2025

Please ensure you consider how your NetworkPlus will support UK strategic needs, including any alignment with the UK's Modern Industrial Strategy 2025.

This could include:

- Driving economic growth in the six frontier industries referenced in the Advanced Manufacturing Sector Plan. For example through advancing commercialisation of research and innovation, increasing business co-investment into research and development, and enabling follow-on commercialisation investment by industry.
- Strengthening or building industrial resilience to pilot research driven solutions that advance the principles set out in Reimagining Circularity around sustainability and circularity
- Strengthening industrial connectivity and integration within the UK manufacturing sector through academic-industrial partnerships.



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Increase in Full Application Stage Criteria

- Vision and Approach
- Governance and Advisory Structures
- Applicant and Team Capability to Deliver
- Ethics and Responsible Research and Innovation
- Resources and Cost Justification
- Flexible fund

- EDI Plan
- Added Value of the NetworkPlus
- Co-creation and Systems Approach
- Environmental Sustainability
- Place

At Full Stage: Describe clear and credible targets and success measures, including key performance indicators (KPIs) within the governance and advisory structures assessment criterion.



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Further Integration of Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI): Request for EDI Plan

EPSRC aims to support a diverse and inclusive research environment where there is equality of opportunities.

We support people to work in a way that suits their personal circumstances.

This includes:

- career breaks
- support for people with caring responsibilities
- flexible working
- alternative working patterns

Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) Integration

We expect EDI to be integrated and interwoven throughout your application.

- Vital for the circular economy community to be as diverse and inclusive as possible.
- Generates flow of innovative and novel ideas, innovations and solutions to problems needed to enable new discoveries and solve global issues.
- Attracting, retaining and developing a diverse range of people in research and innovation can only be achieved by making the system more appealing, inclusive and fair.
- Inclusive environments enable people to voice their suggestions without fear and to feel valued and welcome, enabling a diversity of people and ideas to thrive.
- Everyone in the community has a role to play in reshaping the system to create welcoming and equitable structures, where everyone feels supported, respected and valued.

Part 1 - Integration of EDI in your application

Am I expected to know about EDI as an applicant?

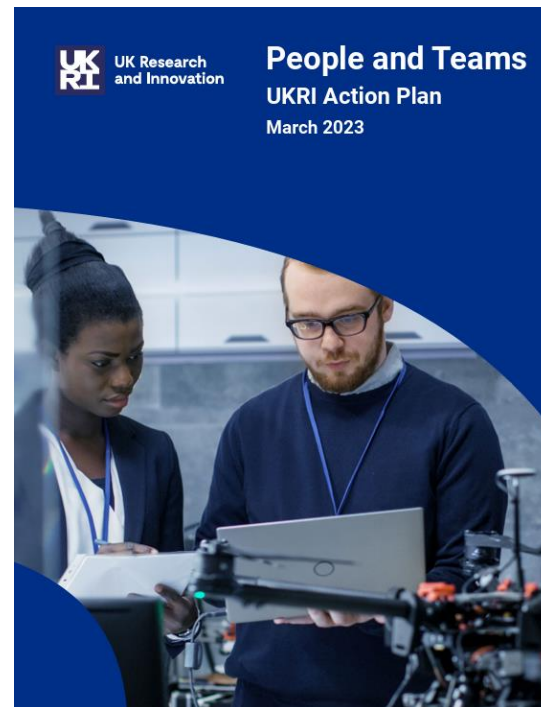
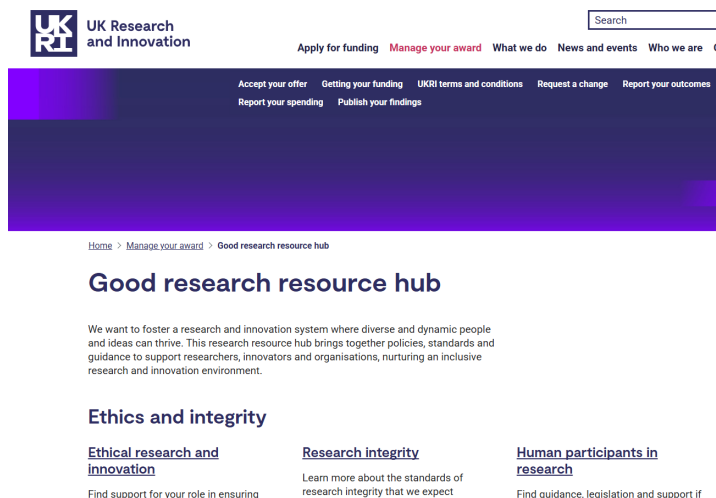
Project teams are not expected to have specific expertise in EDI.

What should I think about throughout my application?

- How you will support Capacity Building and Skills Development across and beyond the programme:
 - Team Formation
 - Career development for all involved: **this includes your grant manager and research enabling staff.**
 - Activity and Outcomes planning

Integrate EDI principles in all parts of the application.

- How will you foster a nurturing research culture?



Part 2 – EDI Plan

Your plan should be project-specific and focus on activities **beyond** any institutional activities already in place. Costs can be included in your non-flexible-fund budget.

We expect you to:

- Use and advance your current understanding of the societal and economic inclusion challenges within the wider circular economy landscape as people progress their career pathway and navigate the community space
- Identify and address your own local environment and disciplinary challenges and barriers to diversity and inclusion, considering how these may influence participation, access, and outcomes across your NetworkPlus
- Translate this learning into actionable and measurable interventions that embed equitable, diverse, inclusive and accessible practices throughout all aspects of your NetworkPlus.
- Explain the outcomes you aim to create through these activities



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Resources are provided under Additional Information on the Funding Finder

Part 2 – EDI Plan

Exemplar actions-based EDI activities

- actions to promote inclusive participation of marginalised groups in the NetworkPlus activities
- ensuring a diverse membership of your advisory board and leadership team who champion EDI practices and set an example for other leadership groups
- prioritising the experience and progression of all involved in the NetworkPlus, ensuring they are well supported with networking, career and professional development opportunities
- activities to promote retention of marginalised groups in your challenge area community
- activities to increase accessibility in your chosen challenge area community
- ensuring all events and activities related to the NetworkPlus are inclusive and accessible for everyone, including speakers and attendees



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Part 2 – EDI Plan

Exemplar wellbeing actions-based activities

- ensuring there is comprehensive wellbeing support encompassing physical, mental, social and emotional health to enable all team members to reach their potential
- investing in continuous professional development on wellbeing and support
- ensuring there are effective and robust processes for managing and preventing bullying and harassment
- offering flexible working arrangements for team members who have specific requirements due to personal circumstances, such as parenting or caring responsibilities, disability or health-related reasons and cultural expectations



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Further Considerations and Information

Other considerations

- Responsible Research and Innovation
- Trusted Research and Innovation
- Export control
- Visas
- Environmental Sustainability



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Strategy

UKRI Environmental Sustainability Strategy 2025 to 2030

From: UKRI
Published: 15 December 2025

This strategy outlines the ambition for the next five years, balancing the needs of research and innovation with the imperative to reduce our environmental impact. Through individual, institutional and collective action, UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) aims to lead by example in the global research and innovation scientific community.

This document is linked to a detailed action plan supporting each of the ambitions set out in detail. UKRI will track the delivery against the Action Plan and update and revise actions frequently, at least annually.

Foreword by Professor Sir Ian Chapman



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Good research resource hub

We want to foster a research and innovation system where diverse and dynamic people and ideas can thrive. This research resource hub brings together policies, standards and guidance to support researchers, innovators and organisations, nurturing an inclusive research and innovation environment.

Ethics and integrity

[Ethical research and innovation](#)

Find support for your role in ensuring

[Research integrity](#)

Learn more about the standards of research integrity that we expect

[Human participants in research](#)

Find guidance, legislation and support if

Additional Conditions

**Community Network
Expectations**

**User Engagement
Strategy**

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Application and Assessment Process

Key Application Dates

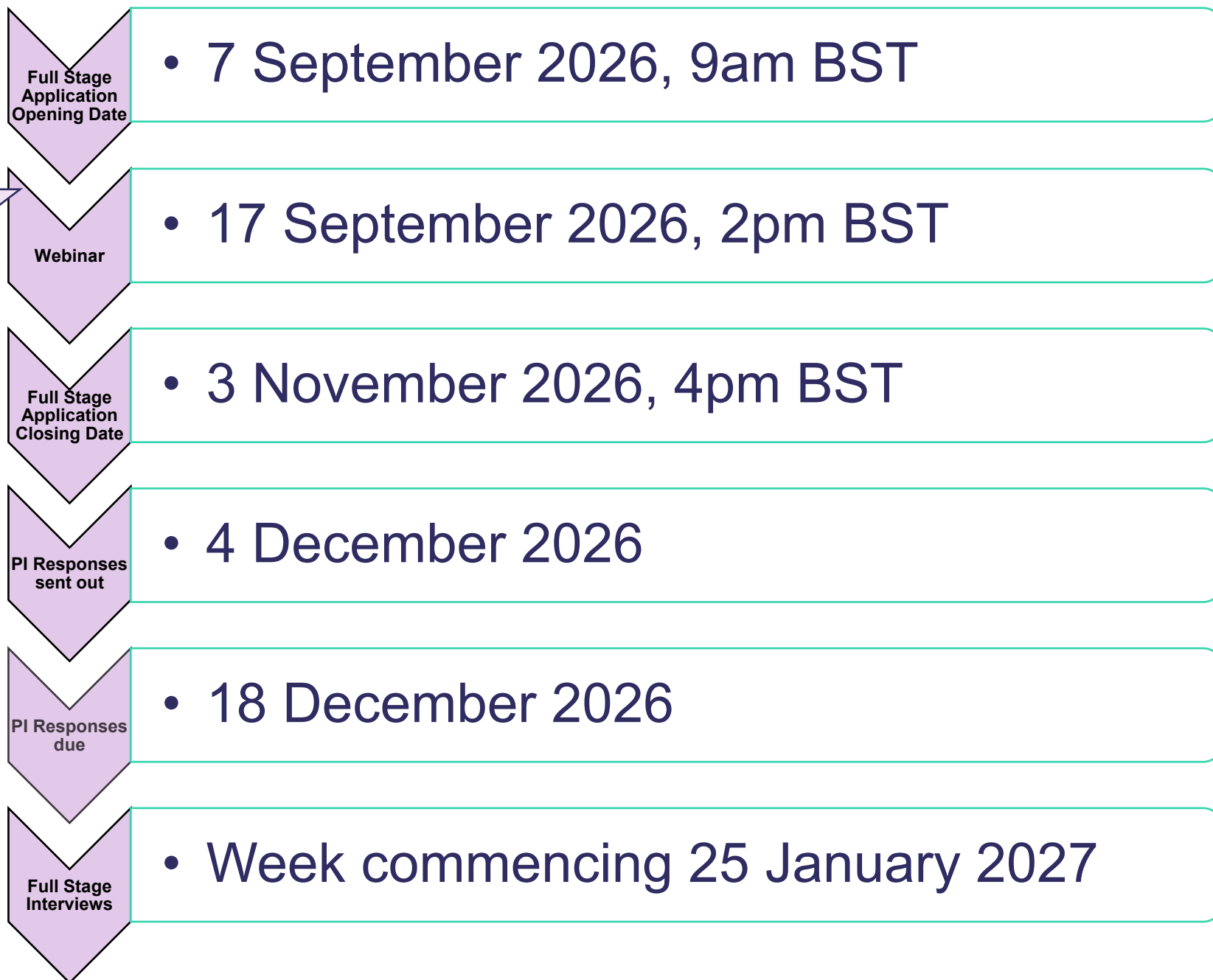
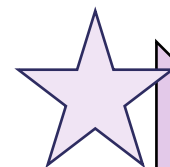
UKRI can offer disability and accessibility support for applicants during the application and assessment process.



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Submission Process – Full Stage Applications

Proposals can be multi-institutional, however only one application form should be submitted for each bid.

Full Stage submissions should be made using The Funding Service. Please ensure sufficient time to:

- Create accounts for members of your project team who do not currently have one.
- Prepare for your research organisation's submission process
- Leave enough time between submitting your proposal to your research office and the funding opportunity closing date.



What do I need to submit on The UKRI Funding Service?

1. **Summary**
2. **Core Team**
3. **Full Stage Application Questions (assessed)**
 - Vision and Approach
 - Governance and Advisory Structures
 - Applicant and Team Capability to Deliver
 - Ethics and Responsible Research and Innovation (RRI)
 - Resources and Cost Justification
 - Flexible Fund
 - EDI Plan
 - Added Value of the NetworkPlus
 - Co-creation and Systems approach
 - Environmental Sustainability
 - Place
4. **Project Partners and letters/emails of support***
5. **Facilities**



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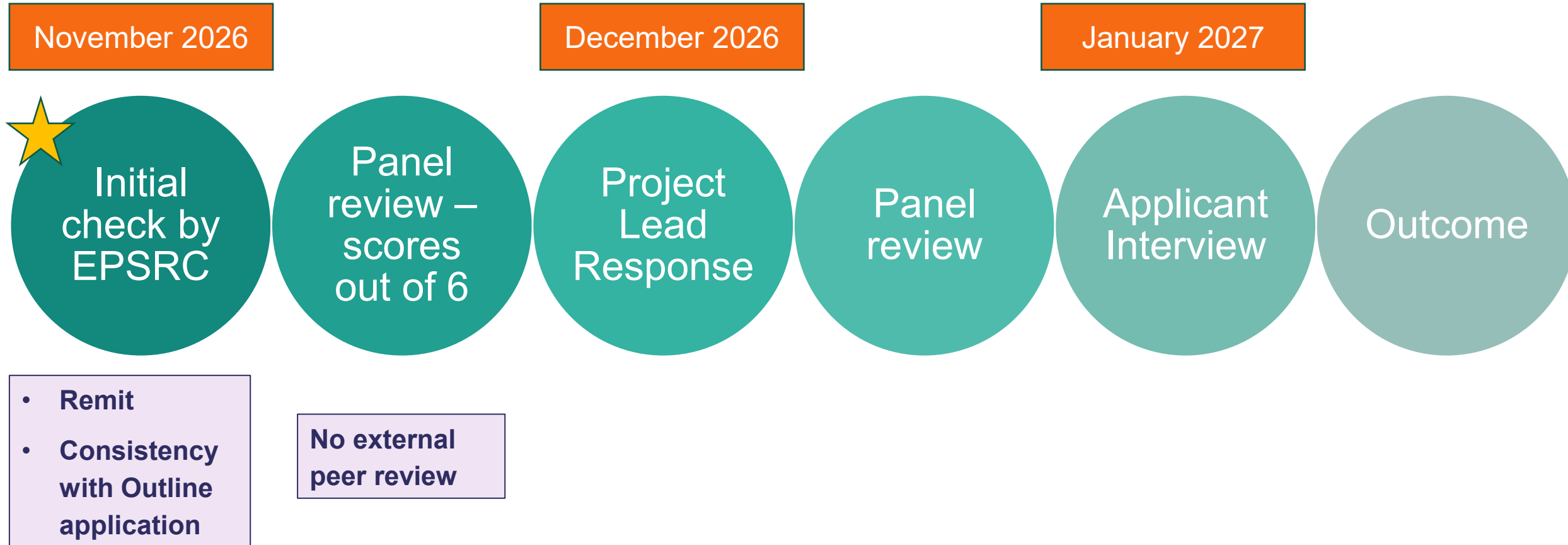
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*Must be dated within 6 months of application submission date – you will need new letters from the Outline Stage



What happens once my application has been submitted?

Assessment Process



How will my application be assessed?

Assessment process: Defra Involvement

- Recommend panel members
- Observer at the panel to advise on Defra interests and scope.
- Will not be present as a panel member influencing the rank order.

Funding Decisions: Portfolio Approach

Subject to a satisfactory quality threshold being met:

- Decisions may be made using a portfolio approach to ensure an appropriate geographic coverage across the UK. We will seek as much as is practical to avoid excessive clustering of investments in any one geographic area.
- Portfolio distribution considered at both stages in the assessment process (shortlisting at outline and full stages).



Assessment Criteria – Full Stage

- **Summary (550 words):** to identify the most suitable assessors for your application
- **Vision and Approach (6 sides of A4):** What are you hoping to achieve with your proposed work and How will you deliver it?
- **Applicant and Team Capability to Deliver (1650 words):** Why are you the right team to deliver the proposed work?
- **Ethics and Responsible Research and Innovation:** What are the ethical and RRI considerations, implications and issues relating to the proposed work?
- **EDI Plan (1000 words):** What are the approaches and activities planned to inspire, enable and facilitate EDI in your NetworkPlus?
- **Place (750 words):** What are the place related challenges or opportunities for your application?

**Sections in The UKRI Funding Service have specific sub-prompts:
Please read these carefully.**

More information about assessment criteria can be found on the UKRI Funding Finder.

Assessment Criteria – Full Stage

- **Co-Creation and Systems Approach (500 words):** How have you co-created and designed your NetworkPlus to maximise impact? How have you embedded a systems approach?
- **Governance (500 words):** How will you manage the award to successfully deliver its objectives?
- **Resources and Cost Justification (1000 words):** What will you need to deliver your proposed work and how much will it cost?
- **Flexible Fund (2000 words):** How will you use and manage the flexible fund?
- **Environmental Sustainability (500 words):** How will you embed environmental sustainability into your project?
- **Added Value (500 words):** What is the added value that this network will enable that would not be possible otherwise?



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Other application questions

- **Please state your chosen Challenge Area**
- **Animal involvement and ‘3Rs’**
- **Genetically modified organisms and biological risk**
- **Human participation in health-related research**
- **Facilities:** Does your proposed research require the support and use of a facility?
- **Trusted Research and Innovation:** Organisations receiving UKRI funding are obliged to act in line with UK government legislation. They are also expected to undertake appropriate due diligence assessments of organisations involved in research partnerships, collaboration agreements, and commercial contracts.
 - You will be asked about:
 - which areas of the National Security and Investment (NSI) Act your project relates to
 - who you intend to collaborate with and how
 - if your project requires an export control licence

Assessment Process: Before The Interview

Who will be on the panel?

- Members with expertise in circular economy, policy, the operations and delivery of large investments, interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary working.

Step 1: Panel Review

- Panel invited to provide comments against the assessment criteria.

Step 2: Project Lead Response

- The project lead on the application will be invited to submit a response to these comments.
- 14 days to respond to comments.



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Assessment Process Step 3: Virtual Panel Interview

What will happen at the interview?

- **Interviews:** Monday January 25th – Wednesday January 27th 2027
- We expect to interview all invited applicants, subject to checks.
- Applicants will be contacted within four weeks of the opening date to schedule a time for their interview.
- Up to four applicants per project team will be permitted to attend the interview.

Presentation: presented in your preferred format, followed by a question and answer with the panel.

Interview Protocol: You will be sent the leading questions at least 1 week in advance of the interview.

Panel will score then rank the applications against the assessment criteria using:

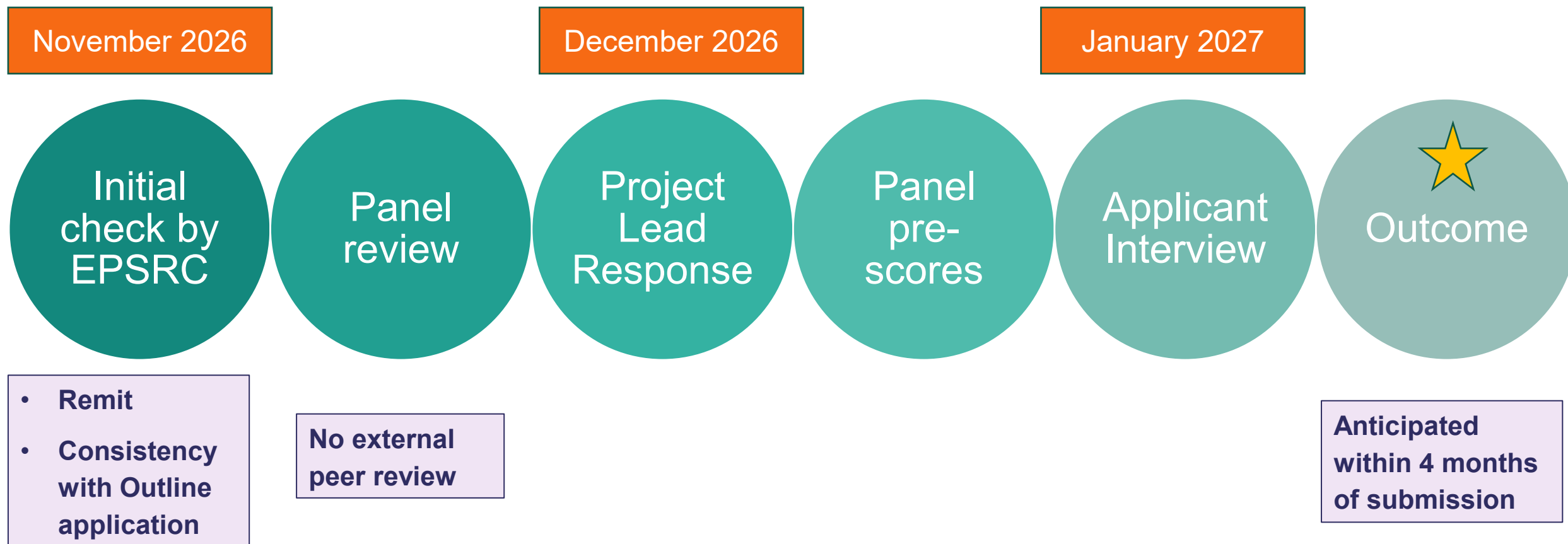
- application
- project lead response
- panel comments
- interviews

Panel will make a funding recommendation, and the final decision will sit with EPSRC and Defra.

**Please tell us if you need any interview accommodations.
We will work with you to enable you to best participate in
your interview.**

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For further detail, see 'How we will assess your application' on the UKRI Funding Finder

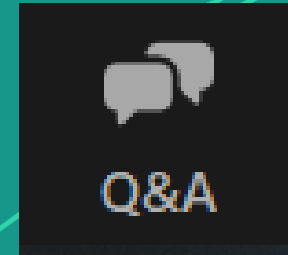


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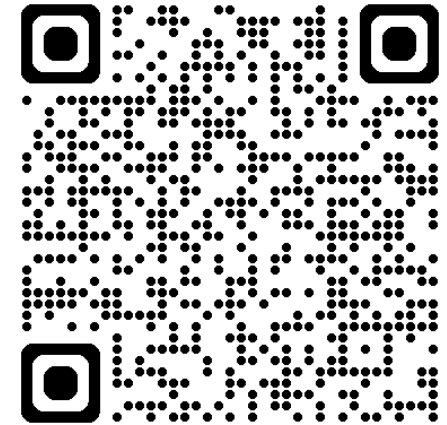


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