

## Funding Opportunity Announcement

### British Academy Global Challenges

The [British Academy](#) is inviting proposals to support ODA-eligible international research collaborations between humanities and social sciences researchers in the UK and researchers in Brazil, Egypt, Indonesia, Jordan, Kenya, Malaysia, Philippines, South Africa, Turkey, Thailand, Vietnam and/or Least Developed Countries related to the specific global challenges. The Academy will support policy-relevant research in the humanities and social sciences that demonstrates how **each specific global challenge** is experienced and can be responded to in Brazil, Egypt, Indonesia, Jordan, Kenya, Malaysia, Philippines, South Africa, Turkey, Thailand, Vietnam and/or Least Developed Countries.

#### Eligibility:

Each project will be led by a named Principal Investigator (PI). The PI must:

- Be a researcher in a discipline within the social sciences or the humanities
- Be of postdoctoral or above status (or have equivalent research experience)
- Hold an established role in an eligible university or research institute in the UK, Brazil, Egypt, Indonesia, Jordan, Kenya, Malaysia, Philippines, South Africa, Turkey, Thailand, Vietnam and/or Least Developed Countries.
  - If the PI is based in the UK, at least one co-applicant\* must be based in Brazil, Egypt, Indonesia, Jordan, Kenya, Malaysia, Philippines, South Africa, Turkey, Thailand, Vietnam and/or Least Developed Countries.
  - If the PI is based in Brazil, Egypt, Indonesia, Jordan, Kenya, Malaysia, Philippines, South Africa, Turkey, Thailand, Vietnam and/or Least Developed Countries, at least one co-applicant\* must be based in the

\*Co-applicants must be of postdoctoral or above status (or have equivalent research experience).

#### Award details:

- Projects that are 18 months in duration and will commence by the end of June 2024
- Up to £200,000 is available per award

#### Challenges:

##### 1. [Women and Climate Action](#)

Supports applications that engage women in climate action in diverse sectors, for diverse groups and communities, and that include diverse approaches to climate action, and consider how to build capacities and capabilities for climate action led by and designed with women.

##### 2. [Societal Challenges and Approaches to Responsible Technologies](#)

Supports applications that engage in exploring the societal challenges technologies pose, and how to establish approaches that will help to develop responsible technologies. Societal challenges and approaches to responsible technologies are of critical importance in today's evolving technological landscape. These technologies will shape the future of work, ways of living, governance, economic development, and thus the need to consider issues such as the principles underlining the development of such technology, assessments on the risks and benefits, the design and accessibility of such technology, and the regulation of technologies.

##### 3. [Pandemic Preparedness](#)

Supports applications that engage in understanding and preparing for future pandemic preparedness in diverse settings, for diverse groups and communities, and that include diverse approaches to pandemic preparedness, and consider how to build capacities and capabilities to make current and future pandemic preparedness more effective. While pandemic preparedness has significant health and medical considerations, it also shapes and is shaped by other structural factors, particularly in relation to the governance, skills development, prosperity, international cooperation, and more widely.

#### **4. Culture, Heritage and Climate Action**

Supports applications that engage in exploring the needs, impacts and implications of culture, heritage and climate action in diverse settings, for diverse groups and communities, and that include diverse approaches to climate action, and consider how to build capacities and capabilities for climate action centred on culture and heritage.

#### **5. Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation Led by or Actively Involving Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities**

Supports applications that engage in understanding the need and value of climate change adaptation and mitigation led by or actively involving indigenous peoples and local communities in diverse settings, for diverse groups and communities, and that include diverse approaches to adaption and mitigation, and consider how to build capacities and capabilities for climate adaptation and mitigation led by, actively involving and co-designed with indigenous peoples and local communities.

#### **6. Social Determinants of Health**

Supports applications that aim to understand and tackle the social determinants of health in diverse settings, for diverse groups and communities, and consider how to build capacities and capabilities to make current and future policy approaches to the social determinants of health more effective. The social determinants of health can incorporate a broad range of factors including people's living conditions through the life cycle but also wider factors such as income, wealth, education, and the distribution of power.

#### **7. Power and Voice in Climate Action**

Supports applications that engage in exploring the dynamics of power and voice in climate action in diverse settings, for diverse groups and communities, and that include diverse approaches to climate action, and consider how to build capacities and capabilities for climate action that amplify and foster the voice and power of those under- or unrepresented today.

#### **8. Environmental Resilience and Climate Action**

Supports applications that engage with how environmental resilience and climate action are formulated and fostered in diverse sectors, for diverse groups and communities, and that include diverse approaches to action and resilience, and consider how to build capacities and capabilities for resilience, action, adaption and mitigation.

#### **9. Antimicrobial Resistance**

Supports applications that engage in exploring the potential scenarios, impacts and implications for antimicrobial resistance in diverse settings, for diverse groups and communities, and that include diverse approaches to tackling antimicrobial resistance, and consider how to build capacities and capabilities to make current and future antimicrobial resistance responses and initiatives more effective. While antimicrobial resistance has significant health and medical considerations, it also

shapes and is shaped by other structural factors, particularly in relation to surveillance regimes and wider governance, funding and investment, public awareness and more widely.

**Submission Deadlines:**

This proposal will require the PI to complete an online application on the British Academy's Grant Management System ([Flexi-Grant](#)), as well as requesting institutional approval via UCT's electronic Research Administration ([eRA](#)) system, prior to submission of the application.

	Deadline
PI to initiate an eRA proposal approval request and alert their Senior Finance Officer of the budgetary support needed no later than	06 March 2024
PI to submit an eRA proposal approval request with a draft budget to the Budget Reviewer step on eRA no later than	13 March 2024
PI to submit an eRA proposal approval request to the Finance Approver step on eRA no later than	27 March 2024
PI to submit the application on the funder portal (Flexi-Grant) no later than	03 April 2024
RC&I to action final submission on funder portal no later than	10 April 2024

Please complete this FHS [intention-to-submit](#) form if you intend applying for this call. Please note that completion of this form is for the purposes of internal support and tracking, it is not linked to funder application processes and does not commit you to applying for this opportunity.

For any queries, please contact the [Research Development Team](#)