**Seed Grants: Scoping Activities - Application Template**

| 1. **Contact Information** |
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| *This information will be used to communicate with you regarding updates and requests related to the IGL Seed Grants. Demographic information (gender, ethnicity) will be anonymised and used exclusively for reporting purposes to ensure representation and encourage diversity. This data will not be publicly available or linked to your personal identity.* |
| **Principal Investigator (PI) Information** |
| Full Name: |
| Role/Position: |
| Organisation/Institution: |
| Email Address: |
| Personal website (if applicable): |
| Country of Residence: |
| Gender : |
| Ethnicity: |
| **Co-Investigator(s) *(Add sections for each co-investigator if applicable)*:** |
| Full Name: |
| Role/Position: |
| Organisation/Institution: |
| Email Address: |
| Personal website (if applicable): |
| Country of Residence: |
| Gender : |
| Ethnicity: |
| **Are all Investigators part of the IGL Research Network?**   * Yes * No   *If not, please ensure that all investigators apply through the following* [*link*](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd1U6YcKRWHQ5mx0eLrqqFMW_UDP3ZKnxMsKjhn2SRS-I9zvQ/viewform?usp=sf_link)*.* |
| **Hosting institution (**inst*itution which will receive the funds):* |
| **Project Start Date:**  **Project End Date:** *(All funds must be used by and all reporting must be done by 28 February, 2026.* |

| 1. **Proposal Details** |
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| *In this section, please provide key details about your project, including the proposal title and a brief abstract (up to 150 words) summarising your research goals, methods, and expected impact. Select the relevant thematic area(s) your project addresses, specify the geographical focus, and indicate the amount of funding requested.* |
| **Title of the Proposal** |
| **Abstract**  *(Please provide a short summary of your proposal, no longer than 150 words. This summary will be public and may be used for communication purposes.)* |
| **Thematic Area**  **(Select one or more options)**   * Science of Science * Innovation Policy * Entrepreneurship * Business Policy * Strategy * Management * Technology * Productivity and Growth * Other (please specify) |
| **Geography** *(Please note that while grants are open to researchers worldwide, the lessons and insights must be applicable to the U.S. context or other OECD countries.* |
| **Funds Requested** *(Note that Seed Grants may cover up to $8,000 USD /*/ £6300 GBP.*)* |

| 1. **Project Narrative** |
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| Provide a detailed description of your proposal, covering the following key areas (max. 700 words):   * **Background:** *(Context and rationale for the research)* * **Objectives:** *(Key aims of the project)* * **Research Questions:** *(If applicable, describe the research questions you intend to address)* * **Activities:** *(Outline the key activities and methods you will use)* * **Expected Results:** *(Anticipated outcomes and impact of the project)* * ***Partner information:*** *(Are Partners fundamental for the RCT, what is the state of the relations with them, will the seed grant help build on the relation?)* |
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| 1. **Evaluation Questions** |
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| *This section aims to evaluate the significance, feasibility, and sustainability of your scoping project. Please provide insights into how your project fills gaps in existing research or introduces fresh perspectives that justify its importance. You should clearly outline how the proposed activities and methodologies will help achieve the objectives of the scoping project, paying particular attention to the practicality and innovation of your approach. We also encourage you to consider potential challenges and explain how these will be addressed. Each question should not exceed 200 words.* |
| In what ways does your project offer fresh perspectives or address gaps in existing research? *(I.e. why is it important)* |
| Explain how you envision the activities proposed reach the objectives of the scoping project, with a specific focus on the methodologies and approaches proposed in this document |
| Outline the feasibility of your scoping activities, considering potential obstacles such as ethical concerns, data access, or logistical challenges. *(If applicable, describe the relationship with implementing partners.)* |
| How does your project offer value for the funding requested? *Provide a justification of your budget in relation to the expected outcomes.* |
| What other funding sources will you tap into once the scoping is done, to fund the RCT? |
| **Future RCT** |
| How will your project help inform whether an RCT should be implemented? |
| What will the RCT that emerges from these scoping activities be? *Discuss the potential of your project to scale or generate a broader impact beyond the initial study.* |
| What is the potential of your project to inform actionable policy and practice recommendations related to science, innovation, entrepreneurship, or productivity? |
| How will your project contribute to advancing knowledge in your field? What are the potential academic outputs (e.g., peer-reviewed publications)? |

| 1. **Feedback** |
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| *This is our first time implementing this process, and we are eager to learn how we can improve. Please share any feedback or reflections in the space below. Note that this section is not part of your application, and your responses will not be used to assess your application or influence our decision-making.* |
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