

CEMS: RESEARCH FUNDING BULLETIN



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Introduction:

Welcome to this month's Research Funding Bulletin for CEMS:

OGSR believes that funding is the central vein that drives productivity, influence the volume of workload and research activities. Hence the recent request for the university's subscription to Research Professional Database, in which criteria can be set for more discipline/ subject specific funding, from all over the world.

Research Africa Professional Database offers UNISA and its scholars the following:

- The latest research funding.
- Student exchange opportunities.

Many of the funding calls will require data management, equality, and impact statements. Our team of NRF rated experts are ready to guide you through the process prior to submission.

Support to access Research Funding Database is available through the office of

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Looking forward to your applications!

K-startup grand challenge

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KIC Silicon Valley, US

KIC Silicon Valley invites applications for its K-startup grand challenge. This supports entrepreneurs and startups in participating in a three-and-a-half-month accelerator programme.

Closing Date

18 May 2024 (Forecast)

Funder's Website

Visit funder's web page for this opportunity

Contact name

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k-startupgc@nipa.kr

Telephone

Closing date 18 May 2024 (Forecast)

Closing date note KST 16:00

Deadline Information ---

Recurrence This call is repeated once a year.

Date added 02 May 2023

Award type Research: Project Grants & Innovation

Award amount max ---

Award amount min ---

Amount note 60 teams will be selected to join a 3 months-Accelerating program (July 25th ~ November 10th) during which they will receive:

- a free office space
- 1-on-1 mentors
- information sessions on Korean and Asian business culture, as well as specific business topics (e.g. patents, accounting, regulations, tax laws, etc.)
- access to regular networking sessions
- exposure to Korean major companies

Selected teams will be provided with project space including equipment for product / service production and development, testbeds, as well as an incubating infrastructure at the Startup Campus in Pangyo Techno Valley.

Each of the 60 startups in the program will receive money to cover the living expenses over 3.5 months:

- \$10,840 (₩12,250,000) per team of 1 person

Grant for Top 10 Startups

- 1st Prize : \$120,000 (₩132,000,000)
- 2nd Prize : \$70,000 (₩77,000,000)
- 3rd Prize : \$40,000 (₩44,000,000)
- 4th Prize : \$25,000 (₩27,500,000)
- 5th Prize : \$15,000 (₩16,500,000)
- 6-10th Prize : \$10,000 each (₩55,000,000)

Eligibility Profile (Funding)

Country of applicant institution Unrestricted

Nationality of researcher Unrestricted

Applicant type ---

Career stages Early Career and Emerging in Field; Graduate Student or Pre-doc; Mid-Career to Established in Field

Eligibility Note Applications are accepted from startups around the world.

Technology-based startups that have a prototype, product or service at initial investment stage based anywhere in the world may apply.

Applying startups must have been established within seven years.

Their representative must not have Korean nationality. One of the members must have a bachelor's degree or higher. [show less](#)

Indexed with these disciplines

Any; International Economics; Small & Medium-Sized Enterprises

Link: <https://k-startupgc.org/project/procedure.do>

Economy and society international award - scholarships

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Centesimus Annus Pro Pontifice Foundation, IT

The Centesimus Annus Pro Pontifice Foundation invites applications for its economy and society international award - scholarships. These enable young researchers to undertake advanced research courses relating to the study and application of new models of socio-economic development which, in line with the principles of the social doctrine of the Church, are inclusive, supportive and sustainable.

Closing Date

22 May 2024

Funder's Website

Visit funder's web page for this opportunity

Contact name

Email

centannus.award@foundation.va

Telephone

Closing date 22 May 2024

Deadline Information ---

Recurrence This call is repeated every 2 years.

Date added 24 April 2024

Award type Fellowships or Post-doctoral Awards; Prizes and Awards

Award amount max €20,000

Award amount min €10,000

Amount note One scholarship worth €10,000 for a course at an institution in the applicant's country of residence, and one scholarship worth €20,000 for a course at an institution outside of the applicant's country of residence are available. [show less](#)

Eligibility Profile (Funding)

Country of applicant institution Unrestricted

Nationality of researcher Unspecified

Applicant type ---

Career stages Early Career and Emerging in Field; Graduate Student or Pre-doc

Eligibility Note Applicants must be under the age of 35 and must have obtained a master's degree or equivalent between 1 August 2017 and 31 December 2023. Submitted works must be written in English.

Indexed with these disciplines

Christianity & Christian Denominations; Economics & Econometrics; Social Sciences

Link: <https://www.centesimusannus.org/attivita/premio-internazionale-economia-e-societa/>

Africa's business heroes prize

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Jack Ma Foundation, CN

ABH aims to identify, support, and inspire the next generation of African entrepreneurs who are making an impact in their local communities, working to solve the most pressing problems, and building a more sustainable and inclusive economy for the future.

Every year, ten finalists will be selected to compete in the ABH grand finale pitch competition. These finalists also receive extensive exposure through the high-quality video narratives ABH produces about their stories and their ABH journeys. Throughout the process, we work with local media and influencers across the continent to secure interviews spotlighting their businesses and the impact they are having.

All finalists also join an exclusive community of like-minded entrepreneurs, business professionals, investors, and mentors. In addition, they get access to training and networking opportunities to further support them on their business journey.

Closing date 19 May 2024

Deadline Information ---

Recurrence This call is repeated once a year.

Date added 01 April 2024

Award type Prizes and Awards; Scholarships, Training or Bursaries

Award amount max USD 300,000

Award amount min USD 100,000

Amount note The top 10 finalists share a prize pool of \$1.5 million in grants ranging from \$100,000 to \$300,000. The winner takes home \$300,000; The 1st runner-up and 2nd runner-up take home \$250,000 and \$150,000 respectively. All other 7 finalists, take home \$100,000. An additional \$100,000 is allocated for global immersion training. [show less](#)

Eligibility Profile (Funding)

Country of applicant institution Africa

Nationality of researcher Africa

Applicant type Commercial or Private Sector

Career stages Early Career and Emerging in Field; Graduate Student or Pre-doc; Mid-Career to Established in Field; Undergraduate Student

Eligibility Note

- Applications are open in English and French to entrepreneurs from all African countries, all sectors, and all ages who operate businesses formally registered and headquartered in an African country, and that have a three year-track record.

Closing Date

19 May 2024

Funder's Website

[Visit funder's web page for this opportunity](#)

Contact name

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- The applicants must be an African citizen or the direct descendant (child/grand-child) of an African citizen.

Indexed with these disciplines

Business Administration; Business & Management Education;
Economic Planning & Policy; Self-Employment & Entrepreneurship;
Sustainable Development & Resource Use

Link: <https://africabusinessheroes.org/en/the-prize/overview>

Thesis & Doctoral Research Grant

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Project Management Institute, Inc. (PMI), US

The Project Management Institute invites applications for its thesis and doctoral research grant. This supports doctoral and master's thesis research in project, program and portfolio management.

Proposed research must advance academic knowledge and have implications for practice.

Closing date 19 June 2024 (Forecast)

Deadline Information ---

Recurrence We don't have enough information from the funder to assess whether this opportunity is likely to be renewed in future or not.

Date added 18 April 2023

Award type Dissertation-Thesis Funding; Research: Project Grants & Innovation

Award amount max USD 25,000

Award amount min ---

Amount note The award is a grant of up to US\$25,000.

- An initial payment of fifty percent (50%) of the total grant amount is distributed upon the execution of the research agreement and assignment of copyright.
- A final payment of fifty percent (50%) of the total grant amount is distributed upon delivery of the final report to PMI.

The Grant will be awarded to and administered by the college or university at which the student is enrolled. No grants are made directly to individuals. [show less](#)

Eligibility Profile (Funding)

Country of applicant institution Unrestricted

Nationality of researcher Unspecified

Applicant type ---

Career stages Graduate Student or Pre-doc

Eligibility Note Part-time and full-time doctoral or master's students doing project management research that advances academic knowledge and practice are eligible for PMI Thesis & Doctoral Research Grant funding. Candidates must have approval from the university.

- All applications must be in English.
- Independent consultants or consulting firms and other for-profit enterprises are ineligible.

Closing Date

19 June 2024 (Forecast)

Funder's Website

Visit funder's web page for this opportunity

Contact name

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academicprograms@pmi.org

Telephone

- Advanced researchers may be eligible to apply for the PMI Sponsored Research Program Grant.
- Projects that have been awarded a PMI Sponsored Research Grant are ineligible to apply for a Thesis & Doctoral Research Grant, and vice versa.

Proposed research must advance academic knowledge and have implications for practice.

Historical research and/or requests for retroactive funding will not be considered.

Projects that include a co-investigator are not eligible. show less

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Business Administration; Business & Management Studies;
Multinationals & International Businesses; Project Management &
Resource Allocation

Link: <https://www.pmi.org/learning/academic-research/sponsored/research-submission-guideline>

Queen Elizabeth Commonwealth scholarships

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Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU), GB

The Association of Commonwealth Universities invites applications for the Queen Elizabeth Commonwealth scholarships. These enable students to undertake a two-year master's degree in a low- or middle-income country of the Commonwealth.

Closing date 24 May 2024

Deadline Information Each year there are two opportunities to apply for QECS – cycle 1 opens in November/December and cycle 2 opens in March/April. Applicants only need to submit one application, but they are welcome to apply more than once if there is another country they are interested in studying in.

Recurrence This call is repeated 2 times a year.

Date added 03 April 2024

Award type Scholarships, Training or Bursaries

Award amount max ---

Award amount min ---

Amount note Award recipients receive:

- Fully-funded tuition fees
- Living allowance (stipend) for duration of award
- Return economy flights to host country
- One-off arrival allowance
- Research Support Grant (on request only; subject to approval)

The QECS will only fund two year Masters Courses.

All courses undertaken through this scholarship should be taught in English and therefore additional funding for this purpose should not be required. [show less](#)

Eligibility Profile (Funding)

Country of applicant institution Commonwealth Member States

Nationality of researcher Unspecified

Applicant type ---

Career stages Graduate Student or Pre-doc

Eligibility Note Citizens (or those who hold refugee status) in a Commonwealth country are welcome to apply. Applicants must apply for a QECS award in a country other than their home country/country of citizenship.

Closing Date

24 May 2024

Funder's Website

[Visit funder's web page for this opportunity](#)

Contact name

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info-qecs@acu.ac.uk

Telephone

There is no upper age limit to be eligible for a QECS Award.

Applicants must have already completed their undergraduate degree and have graduated with an equivalent of a 2:1 at the time of application.

QECS awards are only for new students and cannot be used to fund a course that has already been started.

Individuals can submit more than one application as long as they are for different host countries/universities.

Awards are selected by an independent, objective panel and therefore results from previous years will not be taken into account. show less

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Link: <https://www.acu.ac.uk/funding-opportunities/for-students/scholarships/queen-elizabeth-commonwealth-scholarships/>

TWAS-DFG cooperation visits programme

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The World Academy of Sciences (TWAS), INT and other funders

This provides postdoctoral researchers from sub-Saharan Africa with the opportunity to spend up to three months at an institute in Germany. The aim of the visit is to initiate research collaboration between African and German scientists with the ultimate goal of developing longer-term links. All academic fields are considered.

Closing date 05 June 2024

Deadline Information ---

Recurrence This call is repeated once a year.

Date added 26 March 2024

Award type Collaboration Opportunities & Networking; Travel

Award amount max ---

Award amount min ---

Amount note The German Research Foundation will cover travel expenses and provide subsistence costs for the stay in Germany. [show less](#)

Eligibility Profile (Funding)

Country of applicant institution Sub-Saharan Africa

Nationality of researcher Sub-Saharan Africa

Applicant type Academic Institution

Career stages Early Career and Emerging in Field

Eligibility Note Eligibility

- Applicants need to hold a PhD obtained not earlier than 2019; however, for female applicants the year limit for the PhD can be extended by two years per child, i.e. for a woman with one child the PhD year would be 2017 or later. This exception for female applicants has a limit of three children which equals a maximum of six years. Therefore, the PhD of a female applicant with three or more children should not have been obtained before 2013.
- Applicants must be nationals of a sub-Saharan African country, including South Africa, and hold a research position in sub-Saharan African country.
- Applicants already on site in Germany are not eligible.
- Applicants with an established collaboration with the intended host are not eligible. Examples of established collaboration include one common publication with the host Professor; a previous visit to the host laboratory; interactions between applicant and supervisor as a result of meeting at a conference; the host Professor was previously the applicant's MSc or PhD supervisor.

Closing Date

05 June 2024

Funder's Website

[Visit funder's web page for this opportunity](#)

Contact name

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exchanges@twas.org

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Other Funders

- ▶ [Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft \(DFG\)](#)

- Previous recipients of a TWAS-DFG Cooperation Visit cannot reapply. For a second visit, the German host can apply for funding under the DFG Initiation of International Collaboration Programme.
- Women scientists are especially encouraged to apply.
- All academic fields will be considered.

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Link: <https://twas.org/opportunity/twas-dfg-cooperation-visits-programme-ssa>

Postgraduate scholarships in Colombia

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ICETEX: Instituto Colombiano de Crédito Educativo y Estudios Técnicos en el Exterior, CO

ICETEX and Beca Colombia invite applications for their postgraduate scholarships. These enable students to carry out specialisation, master's and PhD studies in Colombia.

Closing date 09 June 2024

Deadline Information ---

Recurrence This call is repeated once a year.

Date added 25 April 2024

Award type Fellowships or Post-doctoral Awards; Scholarships, Training or Bursaries

Award amount max ---

Award amount min ---

Amount note The scholarship includes full tuition coverage, a monthly stipend, expenses for books and materials, health insurance and installation costs. Scholarships last up to 18 months for specialisation, 24 months for a master's and 48 months for a doctorate degree. [show less](#)

Eligibility Profile (Funding)

Country of applicant institution Africa; Argentina; Asia; Bolivia; Brazil; Chile; Ecuador; Europe; Falkland Islands (Malvinas); French Guiana; Guyana; North America; Oceania; Paraguay; Peru; Suriname; Uruguay; Venezuela

Nationality of researcher Africa; Argentina; Asia; Bolivia; Brazil; Chile; Europe; Falkland Islands (Malvinas); French Guiana; Guyana; North America; Oceania; Paraguay; Peru; Suriname; Uruguay; Venezuela

Applicant type ---

Career stages Graduate Student or Pre-doc

Eligibility Note Individuals of any nationality, except Colombian, who are under the age of 50 may apply. They must have a professional or bachelor's degree and an average of 4.0 out of 5.0 or its equivalent in the Colombian scale. They must also have admission to at least one graduate programme that is in the Academic Offer Catalog 2024-2. [show less](#)

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Link: <https://web.icetex.gov.co/es/web/portal/becas/beca-colombia-extranjeros>

Closing Date

09 June 2024

Funder's Website

Visit funder's web page for this opportunity

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Black academics advancement programme

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National Research Foundation (NRF) - South Africa, ZA

This promotes the development of black South African citizens and academic staff with disabilities, by accelerating the training of doctoral and postdoctoral candidates to enhance their research training and accelerate their progression to become established researchers. The following grants are available:

- PhD track - for applicants no older than 45 years of age who are registered for a doctoral degree in any discipline;
- post-PhD track - for applicants no older than 45 years of age who intend to pursue post-PhD research training that includes a period of research training at an international university or research institution outside South Africa or in industry, and who have completed a doctoral degree within five years of the time of application.

Closing Date

15 May 2024

Funder's Website

[Visit funder's web page for this opportunity](#)

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Closing date 15 May 2024

Deadline Information ---

Recurrence This call is repeated once a year.

Date added 12 March 2024

Award type Fellowships or Post-doctoral Awards; Prizes and Awards

Award amount max ZAR 900,000

Award amount min ---

Amount note Grants last for six months for the completion of a PhD degree, one to three years for the PhD track or one or two years for the post-PhD track. Funding includes up to ZAR 100,000 for running expenses and up to ZAR 200,000 per year for lecturer replacement costs. Those on the post PhD track may also receive up to ZAR 100,000 for international travel. [show less](#)

Eligibility Profile (Funding)

Country of applicant institution South Africa

Nationality of researcher South Africa

Applicant type Academic Institution

Career stages Early Career and Emerging in Field; Graduate Student or Pre-doc

Eligibility Note Applications must be submitted by a South African public university. Applicants must be black, SA citizens or SA citizens with disabilities. They must hold a permanent, full-time academic appointment at a public university in SA, or a fixed-term contract that extends for the full grant period plus one additional year. [show less](#)

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Link: <https://www.nrf.ac.za/funding/call-documents/>

New Earth Observation Frontiers - innovation support

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National Research Foundation (NRF) - South Africa, ZA

The National Research Foundation invites applications for its New Earth Observation Frontiers (NEOFrontiers) innovation support call. This stimulates collaboration, cooperation, and innovation in the South African Earth Observation community, both public and private. The NEOFrontiers funding opportunity is envisaged as a collaborative yet competitive funding mechanism for developing capabilities around new sensors, products and services, and value-added components.

Closing date 15 May 2024 (Forecast)

Deadline Information ---

Recurrence We don't have enough information from the funder to assess whether this opportunity is likely to be renewed in future or not.

Date added 15 May 2023

Award type Research: Project Grants & Innovation

Award amount max ---

Award amount min ---

Eligibility Profile (Funding)

Country of applicant institution South Africa

Nationality of researcher Unspecified

Applicant type ---

Career stages Early Career and Emerging in Field; Graduate Student or Pre-doc; Mid-Career to Established in Field

Indexed with these disciplines

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Link: <https://www.nrf.ac.za/nrf-call-for-proposals-for-funding-in-2023-and-2024/>

Closing Date

15 May 2024 (Forecast)

Funder's Website

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Scholarship programme for leadership development

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Mandela Institute for Development Studies (MINDS), ZA

The Mandela Institute for Development Institute invites applications for its scholarship programme for leadership development. This supports Africans who wish to pursue postgraduate studies within Africa, outside of their own countries. The programme aims to nurture leaders who have a continental development mindset, leaders who will facilitate greater cohesion and cooperation between African countries.

Individuals with a pan-African outlook, demonstrated leadership ability and an excellent academic record who wish to study on the African continent outside their home country may apply. Applicants must:

- be a national of an African country, residing in any African country;
- have been formally accepted by one or more MINDS preferred institutions to pursue postgraduate studies within the following year;
- have obtained at least 70 per cent in each course in the last two completed years of study.

Applications for universities that are outside of South Africa are encouraged.

Scholarships may include tuition, accommodation, travel costs and a fixed stipend for one or two years.

Closing date No deadline

Deadline Information ---

Recurrence You can apply for this opportunity at any time.

Date added 14 March 2022

Award type Fellowships or Post-doctoral Awards; Scholarships, Training or Bursaries

Award amount max ---

Award amount min ---

Eligibility Profile (Funding)

Country of applicant institution Africa

Nationality of researcher Unspecified

Applicant type ---

Career stages Graduate Student or Pre-doc

Indexed with these disciplines

Any; Leadership

Link: <https://minds-africa.org/scholarship-program-for-leadership-development/>

Closing Date

No deadline

Funder's Website

Visit funder's web page for this opportunity

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Telephone

Abe Bailey travel bursary

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Abe Bailey Trust, ZA

These Travel Bursaries give selected university students and university staff of junior lecturer status an opportunity to visit the United Kingdom. The focus of the bursary is leadership development and the Trustees wish the bursaries to be awarded to students who are academically strong and have shown exceptional qualities of leadership and service, with a good track record - not only on their campus level but also in a wider community.

The objectives of the bursary are to broaden the views of young South Africans

- to effect greater co-operation and understanding of different viewpoints and opinions among those with various language and cultural backgrounds
- to encourage open debate that demonstrates leadership and mutual respect of others
- to enable outstanding South African students who show exceptional leadership and a strong service ethic to experience British culture and participate in an interactive programme, and examine its significance in the context of South African history
- to foster enterprise, commitment and effective participation in a common future
- to promote South African unity.

All recipients are expected to participate in the Tour for its full duration and to take part in all the programmed activities.

Closing date 10 June 2024

Closing date note Students shall submit their application to their university no later than the closing date specified by that university when it invites students to apply for the Abe Bailey Travel Bursary. Nominations for the Travel Bursary shall be made to the Trustees of the Abe Bailey Trust after an appropriate selection process by a university committee established for this purpose.

Deadline Information ---

Recurrence This call is repeated once a year.

Date added 18 October 2023

Award type Scholarships, Training or Bursaries; Travel

Award amount max ---

Award amount min ---

Closing Date

10 June 2024

Funder's Website

Visit funder's web page for this opportunity

Contact name

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Amount note The Trustees select up to 18 travel bursars for the current year. The bursaries cover the cost of an all-expenses-paid 3 week educational tour of England and Scotland. Included in the cost are economy class return air fares between Cape Town and London as well as travel between inland university centres and Cape Town. It covers the cost of carrying out the Tour and all excursions according to the approved programme. In addition, funds will be made available, at the discretion of the Trustees, to cover out of pocket expenses in the United Kingdom. [show less](#)

Eligibility Profile (Funding)

Country of applicant institution South Africa

Nationality of researcher South Africa

Applicant type ---

Career stages Early Career and Emerging in Field; Graduate Student or Pre-doc; Undergraduate Student

Eligibility Note Nominees shall be third year students and above or members of staff of Junior Lecturer status. Nominees must be aged 25 or less at the start of the Tour and must be of South African nationality, have (or able to obtain) a valid South African passport and have no impediments to obtaining a UK visa.

Travel Bursars must be sufficiently proficient in the English language. They should also be physically fit in order to undertake walking tours and cope with the intensive programme of activities. [show less](#)

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Link: <https://abebailey.org/travel/view.asp?pg=apply>

The end!

