



2021 RESEARCH THEME GROUP PROJECTS

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS for SEED FUNDING

PHILOSOPHY

SANORD is committed to a Seed Funding Programme that furthers North–South research collaborations between partners, capacity building initiatives and scholarly engagement. .

PURPOSE

The SANORD Board makes seed funding available for Research Theme Group leaders to organise seminars, conferences and other activities directly related to their North-South multilateral cooperation, and to build networks that significantly contribute to realising the objectives of the organisation. The SANORD Board will make funds available for travel, accommodation, logistical expenses and research outputs. Applications will be considered for funding up to **ZAR 60 000** (Sixty Thousand South African Rand).

ELIGIBILITY

This Call for Proposals is open to all SANORD members to collaborate with at least two (2) other SANORD partners to form a partnership (at least one partner must be either from the North or Southern region, e.g. North/South plus any other within SANORD. You are also free to involve partners outside of SANORD besides the minimum of three (3) SANORD members).

SANORD encourages all regional collaboration between North-South member institutions but is particularly interested in applications, which reflect cross-disciplinary approaches and multilateral collaboration. SANORD also favours partnerships that include members from the SADC region, women and people with disabilities.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Applications will be assessed according to the following criteria:

1. The application supports relevance to SANORD goals, objectives and the SANORD Strategy 2022
2. The application supports a multilateral collaboration (at least three (3) SANORD members must be included); or the project plan supports the expansion of multilateral collaborations to include further collaborations within SANORD.
3. The application demonstrates a commitment to future collaborations and/or envisaged joint publications and/or future academic activities and/or possibilities of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) or Memorandum of Agreement (MoA).
4. The application reflects the sustainability of the project. Joint partners are encouraged to seek further funding opportunities other than SANORD and include proof thereof.
5. The Applicant shows a keen interest to participate and present the research findings at our next SANORD conferences, or an academic event on its campuses and with an accredited scholarly publication that is widely disseminated.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO BE SUBMITTED

- The partners should jointly submit a **Letter of Motivation** describing the key goals and objectives of the project and ultimate outcomes (e.g. Joint Publication.)
- The joint partners should submit a **proposed budget** that will be used effectively in line with the theme project goals and objectives/outcomes.

APPLICATION DATES & AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

Due date for applications: **15 August 2021.**

Announcement date: **30 September 2021.**

APPLICATION ASSESSMENT PROCESS

The SANORD Central Office will:

- Submit all applications to the Nominations Committee (NC) for consideration and recommendation to the Board;
- Notify applicants via email of the Board's final decision.

COMPLETION OF THE ACTIVITY

The Board requires the research leader to be accountable for the following:

1. Submit a summarised narrative report (no longer than 1200 words) describing the activities, research goals achieved, the benefits derived.
2. Submit a detailed financial report on expenditure.
3. Publish the research in a scholarly publication and share the research widely.
4. Acknowledge SANORD's support in any publication or presentation of the research.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

SANORD reserves the right to the following:

- Incomplete forms will not be considered
- Late applications will not be permitted
- Not to disburse funds according to the Board's discretion.

All enquiries should be directed to:

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Telephone: SANORD Central Office: +27 82 202 3271

Please submit your applications to sanordcentraloffice@gmail.com

CHECKLIST:

The following is a list of all required information to be considered for selection:

1. Application form must be completed with all the required fields. The application must include at least include two (2) SANORD partners, the third can be a non-SANORD member.
2. Maximum of three (3) project partners from different universities
3. Letter of Motivation
4. Project Budget
5. Proposed scholarly research outputs.

APPLICATION FORM

The Research Theme Group leader will be regarded as the Contact and Spokesperson on behalf of the group.

Title of Theme Project:
Theme Leader:
Full name:
University:
Current Position:
Postal Address:
Contact number:
Mobile number:
Email address:
Partner 1:
Full name:
University:
Current Position:
Postal Address:
Contact number:
Mobile number:
Email address:

Partner 2:

Full name:

University:

Current Position:

Postal Address:

Contact number:

Mobile number:

Email address:

Partner 3:

Full name:

University:

Current Position:

Postal Address:

Contact number:

Mobile number:

Email address:

Letter of motivation: (included or attached)**Proposed budget of expenses to be incurred: (included or attached)**

- a. Travelling and Accommodation
- b. Arrangement of activity (Seminars, etc.)
- c. Administrative fees/Logistics