

**Belmont Forum
Africa Regional Call (ARC2024)**

Annex for The National Science Foundation (NSF)

Duration of time:	36 months but can be used over 48 months (one year, no cost extension)
Country/(ies) or region supported	United States, Puerto Rico, Guam
Description/qualifications of eligible participants	<p>All institutions eligible to receive US federal funds through the National Science Foundation.</p> <p>Each consortium must include partners from at least three participating countries. The project must include collaboration between natural and social sciences and must show clear links to end-users/stakeholders. Researchers from countries not represented by any of the partner- countries can participate in the research project at their own expense but do not count toward the 3-participating country minimum.</p>
Stipulations for the maximum number of researchers in the consortium	<p>In accordance with NSF policy, a proposal cannot list more than 4 Co-PI's from U.S. institutions. Additional U.S. collaborators must be listed as Senior Personnel.</p> <p>Consortium partners should identify a Consortium Lead Principal Investigator (CL) for each proposal for application, management, and communication purposes. The CL is officially responsible for all communications with the Theme Program Office, including the submission Proposal. These communications must be in accordance with the CL's funding agency requirements.</p>

	<p>U.S. investigators may only be part of one consortium. Accordingly, U.S. investigators may be listed as either Consortium Lead PI, Co-PI (Partner PI) or Senior Personnel on only one proposal.</p> <p>In accordance with NSF policy, proposals cannot list more than 4 Co-PI's (Partner-PI's) from U.S. institutions. Additional U.S. collaborators must be listed as Senior Personnel.</p>
Type of contribution + amount of contribution (R\$)	The total available budget for US investigators is approximately 4,000,000 USD (approximately 3,700,000 Euros). NSF anticipates that a total of 10-15 research consortia will be supported, subject to the availability of funds.
Maximum amount that can be requested per project or by researcher (K€)	The maximum total budget request for all US investigators in a single consortium must not exceed 400,000 USD including indirect costs. Indirect cost rates are those negotiated between NSF and the Institution.
Restrictions for use of funds	Within each selected consortium, funding of the participating researchers is provided by their respective national funding organizations <u>in accordance with their standard award terms and conditions</u> . All projects must include a budget for participation in 3 project meetings that will be held back-to-back with a scientifically relevant international conference or event.
Specific themes within the call	Themes supported within the call text.
Where to submit proposal	For U.S. investigators that are part of a consortium and are NOT the Consortium Lead PI, all proposals will be submitted to the Call Program Office by the Consortium's

	<p>Lead PI in accordance with the Agency’s or Country’s procedures.</p> <p>In accordance with NSF policy, proposals that have U.S. Consortium Lead PI’s must be submitted to the on-line Belmont Forum system by approval of the Consortium Lead PI’s office of sponsored research or equivalent. No proposals submitted directly to the Belmont on-line system by a U.S. Consortium Lead PI will be accepted without this approval which may be in the form of an email sent to the National Contact Point from a representative of the Consortium Lead PI’s office of sponsored research or equivalent. NO proposals submitted directly to Research.gov or Grants.gov will be accepted.</p>
<p>[Additional information]</p>	<p>Once the review process is complete, the U.S. Consortium Lead PI will be contacted by the NSF point of contact with further instructions on how to upload the proposal information into Research.gov or Grants.gov. In addition, U.S. investigators that are part of a consortium and are NOT the Consortium Lead PI, will be contacted by the NSF point of contact to upload proposal information into Research.gov or Grants.gov.</p>
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