

# Call for research applications 2023 – Development under conditions of climate change

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**Note: Updated on 23.11.2022. Deadline for applications in Phase 1 is postponed from 8 February 2023, until 24 February 2023, at 13.00 CET. Changes are marked in yellow.**

## 1. Introduction

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs/Danida (MFA) provides grants for development research activities as part of Denmark’s international development cooperation. The purpose is to build research capacity in developing countries and to create knowledge in order to find new solutions to existing and emerging challenges.

The MFA invites applications from Danish research institutions for grants related to development research with partners in the Global South. The application round consists of two phases. Phase 1 is the first step of a process in which applicants submit an application presenting the **project idea** leading to prequalification. Phase 2 is the submission of a full application by those selected in Phase 1 (“prequalified”).

The MFA is committed to promoting equal opportunities for all and diversity in all its aspects. Therefore, interested parties from all backgrounds regarding ethnicity, religion, gender identity, age, or disability status are encouraged to submit research applications.

The total allocation available for development research funding in 2023 is approximately DKK 200 million. Funding is conditional on approval by the Danish Parliament of the 2023 Finance Bill.

The deadline for submission of Phase 1 applications is **24 February 2023 at 13:00hrs CET**. Applications must be submitted in English and electronically via the e-application system, [SurveyMonkey Apply \(SMA\)](#).

Danida Fellowship Centre (DFC) is managing the MFA's support to development research. For questions concerning the application procedures and general questions relating to this call for applications, please contact the Research Management Team at DFC at [research@dfcentre.dk](mailto:research@dfcentre.dk).

An online information meeting concerning this call is scheduled for 29 November 2022 at 13:00 hrs CET. For more details concerning the information meeting, please refer to [DFC's website](#), where other relevant information can be accessed, e.g. advice on how to make a good application and guidance to the e-application system.

## **2. Research theme: Development under conditions of climate change**

Climate change and pressure on nature and ecosystems are among the main global threats of our time. The livelihoods of billions of people are negatively impacted, conflicts intensify, and involuntary human mobility is on the rise, all with increased vulnerability as a result. Moreover, climate change interacts with other development threats such as poverty, political exclusion, and displacement. Climate change and the biodiversity crisis are mutually reinforcing phenomena, increasing pressures on ecosystems in rural and urban areas, and on the world's poorest and most politically excluded and vulnerable people. Danish development cooperation aims to contribute to poverty alleviation for those that are hardest hit by impacts of climate change. To ensure sustainable results, it is therefore necessary to integrate concerns about environment and climate change. This is a central pillar of the Danish development cooperation strategy, *The World We Share (2021-25)*,<sup>1</sup> which constitutes the strategic framework for this call for research applications.

Making progress towards the Sustainable Development Goals and the Paris Agreement requires considerable investment in research. Although development research on poverty and political exclusion exists, a better understanding of the interactions between these phenomena and climate change and ecosystems is needed for identifying transformation processes that can link national or local action for human well-being with protection of the global commons and provision of global public goods. The principle of the 2030 Agenda to "leave no one behind" and the commitment to human rights implies that transformation processes must be designed to not only avoid future harm to climate and ecosystems, but also to promote improvements in human prosperity for the poorest. Climate change articulates with global trends such as unsustainable use of natural resources, population growth, urbanization, losses and damages from extreme events, and social, economic and health inequalities. It is also well established that climate change can exacerbate conflict and vulnerability, affecting various groups differently, including in relation to for instance gender, generation, disability, indigenous peoples, farmers, herders, urban and rural populations.

This overarching theme for the call for development research applications invites proposals that examine the interactions between climate change, biodiversity, and poverty alleviation. Applicants are invited from the technical, natural, social, health and economic sciences as well as the humanities. Research proposals can address adaptation and resilient development under conditions of climate change as well as emission reduction efforts, from the perspective of different topical

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<sup>1</sup> [The World We Share \(2021-2025\)](#)

angles, such as for example mobility, vulnerability, inequality, conflict, and natural resource use. Examples of critical adaptation issues include community actions and resilience, tackling the scarcity of water resources, impacts on human health, the introduction of climate smart agricultural practices to reduce food insecurity, as well as the regeneration and protection of biodiversity. Examples of emission reduction efforts include transitioning towards clean and renewable energy, more efficient and equitable use of energy for domestic purposes and in industries, transport, etc., and carbon reductive activities within forestry and natural resource use. Proposals can address such topical angles individually or in a more integrated approach. A focus on policies, institutions and governance of climate actions as well as the tensions, conflicts and inequalities that may arise is essential. Furthermore, proposals must ensure that specific topics are clearly linked to the issue of climate change and the agenda to “leave no one behind”. Research questions and approaches must be embedded in knowledge of the political and historical context of the selected country. All proposals are requested to consider the gendered dimensions of the research by integrating relevant gender analysis in the projects and addressing gender balance in the research team.

Research implemented in more than one of the eligible countries within the same theme can be considered. Regional perspectives can add significant value to the research, but if a comparative approach is chosen, it is important to weigh possible benefits against the complexity of involving several countries under the same project frame.

The call for research applications includes both projects that are developed in countries where Denmark has expanded development cooperation as well as countries where Denmark engages in targeted development cooperation through strategic sector cooperation.<sup>2</sup> In all eligible countries, it is envisaged that research will be conducted in collaboration with the appropriate authorities (in Denmark and partner countries) and in consultation with Danish Embassy teams.

See more in Section 8 concerning security considerations.

### **3. Eligible countries**

The following sections will outline the thematic areas in the various groups of eligible countries.

#### **3.1. Eligible countries with expanded development cooperation**

In 2023, the following countries are eligible for research applications: **Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, Ethiopia, Kenya, Niger, Palestine, Somalia (incl. Somaliland), Tanzania and Uganda**. These countries are all countries where Denmark engages in **expanded** development cooperation.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>2</sup> Please see page 39 of [The World We Share \(2021-2025\)](#) for a more detailed explanation regarding expanded and targeted development cooperation.

<sup>3</sup> Due to the considerable security risks in Afghanistan, Mali, and Myanmar these countries will not be eligible for research applications in 2023. However, heightened security considerations also pose a challenge in a number of the listed eligible countries at both national and regional level. Research proposals are required to consider the security risks affecting the feasibility of research, in particular during fieldwork.

Research applications covering countries with expanded development cooperation must address the overarching theme of “development under conditions of climate change” outlined above in section 2.

### **3.2. Eligible countries with targeted development cooperation**

In countries where assistance is **targeted** through strategic sector cooperation programmes<sup>4</sup>, research proposals are invited to address topics that are linked to the relevant sector cooperation programmes. In 2023, the following strategic sector cooperation programmes are eligible for research applications:

- Energy transitions in **Egypt, Ethiopia, Indonesia, Kenya, South Africa, and Vietnam.**
- Water resource management in **Ethiopia, Ghana, Morocco, and South Africa.**
- Efforts to design and build sustainable cities in **Indonesia, Kenya, and South Africa.**
- Food and agriculture in **Indonesia, Kenya, Nigeria, and Vietnam.**

Proposals addressing selected strategic sector cooperation programmes must address the overarching theme of “development under conditions of climate change” outlined above in section 2. Proposals are furthermore asked to address the framework conditions of the thematic areas, including politics, policies, institutions and governance in general. Proposals addressing issues of justice, vulnerability, conflict, and mobility in relation to the sociotechnical focus of strategic sector cooperation programmes are welcome.

## **4. Project duration and grant**

The expected duration of research projects is up to 5 years within a maximum grant of DKK 10 million for each project. A possibility of a no-cost extension of up to 2 years apply to these grants.

## **5. Main applicant**

Only universities or research-based institutions registered in Denmark and with a capacity to (co-) supervise Ph.D. students are eligible to submit an application. The application must be submitted by the researcher who will be the project coordinator (project lead) on behalf of the responsible institution if the application is successful. It is possible to share the project leadership with a scientific co-coordinator (secondary). The main project coordinator and the co-coordinator must both have an affiliation with the applying institution.

At the time of submitting the application, the project coordinator(s) must hold a PhD or equivalent qualification, documented clearly in the CV. Documented evidence that the applicant is a Professor, Assistant Professor, or Associate Professor is regarded as equivalent to a PhD. Applications from

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<sup>4</sup> Further information about the strategic sector programmes in each country can be obtained at: [Strategic Sector Cooperation \(um.dk\)](https://um.dk/strategic-sector-cooperation)

younger researchers in general, and women in particular, are encouraged.

Experience shows that the project coordinators play a key role in ensuring that a research collaboration project is successful. It is important to note that an effective engagement/involvement of the project coordinator(s) will entail a substantial workload, particularly at the beginning of the project.

It is important that the project coordinator(s) and the research team are able to document relevant scientific merits and qualifications as well as a research background within the topic applied for. A person may appear as project coordinator (or co-coordinator) on several applications, but maximum one project per project coordinator can be approved for funding.

It is not possible to apply for an extension project of a previous grant, but an application can build on a previous/ongoing MFA supported development research project.

## **6. Project participants**

The application must name the research partner institutions (nationally registered) and other collaborating partners in Denmark and in the country/ies where the research will be undertaken (see section 3 on eligible countries), and if applicable, partners in third countries and/or international partners. At least one researcher from each partner institution (project participant if non-academic partner) must be named in the Phase 1 application (task: Project participants in the e-application system SMA, refer to section 11).

Research collaboration is considered an important means to strengthen research capacity. In order for research partners to benefit from the collaboration, partnerships should be equal, and partners must contribute actively to the preparation of both Phase 1 and subsequent Phase 2 applications (if prequalified). Other important aspects of equal partnerships include joint fieldwork, joint publishing, knowledge sharing, access to databases and libraries, etc.

It is possible to involve partners from the private sector and other relevant non-academic institutions in partner countries or in Denmark, and grant funding can be used for their direct input to project activities but not for overhead expenses. International research institutions and research institutions in countries outside Denmark and outside the partner country/ies can equally be supported by the grant for their direct input to the project activities with no overhead. All partners are encouraged to contribute with additional resources (funding or in-kind) for the projects.

When planning the project, attention should be paid to the conditions regarding employment and salaries for involved researchers. Salaries for project researchers must either be compensation/replacement salary paid to the institution for the time the staff allocates to the project, or compensation payment for over-time, either hourly or performance based. In the case of over-time payment, the accepted maximum overtime workload is 25% (3 months) per calendar year.

Support to PhD students is considered an important part of research capacity strengthening of the partner institutions. The application should indicate the intentions for involvement of PhD students in the project. Danish PhD students may be included for their direct input to the project.

PhD students who are included in the project and from the country/ies where the research will be undertaken must seek enrolment at a university in their home country, alternatively at a university in the region. Enrolment in Denmark can only be considered if enrolment in the home country or the region is not possible, and if sufficient justification for this is provided.

## **7. Description of the project idea**

The description of the **project idea** must be structured according to the indicated headings and in the stated order. All headings must be used and none added. It is important to ensure that the application is clear and focused, and although there are no requirements regarding the length of each section in the project description, the project description as a whole must not exceed 10,000 characters (including spacing) plus references.

### **Heading 1: State of the art, rationale, and relevance**

Background to project objectives:

- Based on a state of the art literature review and a broader development rationale, explain how the research will provide new knowledge in the scientific field(s) concerned;
- Highlight how the proposed project relates to prior and on-going relevant research in the specific field;
- Present a rationale for the selection of the partner country/countries. If more than one partner country is chosen, the rationale for this and added-value and importance for the project should be clearly argued.

Describe the project's importance in relation to:

- Specific Sustainable Development Goal(s);
- The development strategies and specific development challenges of the involved country or countries;
- Danish development/Strategic Sector Cooperation priorities in the country;
- Relevance towards the public and/or private sector where appropriate.

### **Heading 2: Objectives and results expected**

- Describe project objectives, including clearly identified research questions and research hypotheses;
- List the main expected scientific results and an indication of the research capacity strengthening.
- Briefly describe the institutional and socio-economic context for the research and consideration of the expected impact of this on the project results.

### **Heading 3: Indicative project methodology**

Outline the methodology, research design, and approach to research capacity strengthening in general terms.

## 8. Assessment

The Consultative Research Committee for Development Research (the FFU) in Denmark is assisting the MFA by providing professional and scientific advice in relation to research applications.

Prior to the FFU assessment in Phase 1, the Danish embassies<sup>5</sup> are invited to assess the relevance of the project idea vis-a-vis national development priorities and Danish development cooperation/ the Danish Strategic Sector Cooperation.

The FFU assesses the Phase 1 applications on the basis of three equally weighted criteria as described below: i) scientific quality; ii) relevance; and iii) the potential effect of the research.

The scientific quality of the proposal is evaluated on the basis of the following criteria:

- *The research experience and qualifications of the project coordinator(s) and research team;*
- *The originality and innovative nature of the project, in terms of generating new knowledge.*
- *The focus of the project is well-defined with respect to existing relevant research.*

The relevance of the proposal is evaluated on the basis of the following criteria:

- *The focus of the project is well-defined with respect to the theme of the call;*
- *The project responds to national development priorities and is relevant for Danish development cooperation/Danish Strategic Sector Cooperation;*

The effect of the research is evaluated on the basis of the following criteria:

- *The potential direct effects with respect to the selected sustainable development goal(s);*
- *The collaboration with public and private stakeholders which could promote use and uptake of the research;*
- *The contribution of the project to strengthened research capacity.*

It must be clear that the proposal constitutes a genuine research project rather than being registration of data, commissioned research, a product development scheme, a demonstration project, technology transfer, consultancy, or development project.

Partnerships contributing to inter-disciplinary and gender sensitive research with a large role for the research institutions in the Global South are encouraged. In phase 1, applicants are required to provide information on the gender composition of the proposed research team. A justification of the gender composition of the research team will be required in Phase 2, in case of prequalification.

In addition, applicants are encouraged to consider the potential of inter-/transdisciplinarity in the research, e.g. crossing natural and social science boundaries.

### Security considerations

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<sup>5</sup> In countries with Danish Strategic Sector Cooperation the sector counsellor will consult the relevant Danish authorities during the assessment. Please refer to section 13: Useful links: “Guide to the role of sector counsellors”.

Heightened security considerations pose a challenge in a number of the listed eligible countries at both national and regional level. All research applications are required to consider the security risks affecting the feasibility of research, in particular during fieldwork. Therefore, in phase 1, applicants are requested to include a preliminary risk assessment and contingency plan for their proposed research. The purpose of this is to ensure that all applicants have considered the potential physical risks as well as mitigating measures relevant for project implementation.

Assessments should consider risks related to the geographical and thematic focus of the research and also include other concerns that may hinder or impede project implementation. A number of countries are considered high-risk countries from a security point of view and research applications focusing on these countries must be particularly careful to prepare thorough risk assessments and include necessary safety measures. These countries include: Burkina Faso, Ethiopia, Niger, Nigeria, Palestine, and Somalia. Risks should be focused on the physical safety of involved researchers from all involved countries, especially during fieldwork.

Risks such as a new global pandemic, natural disasters or high turnover of personnel should not be included, unless there is a real and relevant risk of such things happening within the project period. For risks with medium or high likelihood and impact, mitigating measures and preliminary outlines of a contingency plan must be included.

It is the responsibility of the responsible institution and partner institutions to ensure that adequate safety measures are in place for all staff involved, both staff from Denmark and staff from partnering countries. The 'Duty of Care' for project staff lies with the responsible institution and partner institutions, not with the MFA or DFC.

In Phase 2, it will be possible for all applicants to include additional funds in the application to cover relevant security measures. A list of eligible security measure activities and further information will be included in the guidelines for Phase 2 applications. For research in high-risk countries, security measures including as a minimum Hostile Environment Awareness Training (HEAT) and First Aid training for researchers conducting fieldwork will be mandatory.

### **Process after Phase 1**

On the basis of the FFU assessment, the best projects according to the assessment criteria above will be invited to apply in Phase 2 of the application process. In Phase 2, the feasibility of the proposed research project will also be a criterion for assessment. Refer to section 13: Useful links for Phase 2 Invitation and guidelines from 2021.

International peer reviewers are involved in the assessment of scientific quality only in Phase 2. The final scientific quality assessment is conducted by the FFU and approved by the Innovation Fund Denmark, cf. § 5, subsection 2 of the Consolidated Act on Innovation Fund Denmark [no. 1660](#) of August 12, 2021.

Applicant hearings will be carried out as relevant, in accordance with §19 of the Danish Public Administration Act.

In the assessment of a new application by a researcher who is or has been project coordinator for another project, compliance with the terms and conditions of previous MFA grants will be considered.

## 9. Application process

<b>Phase 1 – 2023</b>	<b>February- March</b>	<p style="text-align: center;">Deadline for Phase 1 applications:  <span style="background-color: yellow; color: red; font-weight: bold;">24 February 2023 13:00hrs CET</span></p> <p style="text-align: center;">DFC administrative screening and administrative rejections  Embassy assessment of relevance  Applicant hearing, if and when required (§19 of the Danish Public Administration Act)</p>
	<b>April - May</b>	<p style="text-align: center;">The FFU assessment of applications and prequalification  Reply to applicants  Invitation and instructions to a full Phase 2 application</p>
<b>Phase 2 – 2023/24</b>	<b>August</b>	<p style="text-align: center;">Deadline for Phase 2 applications:  <span style="color: red; font-weight: bold;">16 August 2023 13:00hrs CEST</span></p> <p style="text-align: center;">DFC administrative screening and administrative rejections</p>
	<b>September - October</b>	<p style="text-align: center;">Peer reviewing and applicant hearing</p>
	<b>November</b>	<p style="text-align: center;">FFU assessment of Phase 2 applications</p>
	<b>December</b>	<p style="text-align: center;">Innovation Fund Denmark’s approval of FFU’s scientific quality assessment  MFA approval of grants  Reply to applicants  Letters of Commitment for approved projects</p>
	<b>January - March</b>	<p style="text-align: center;">Agreement on budget, etc.  <span style="color: red; font-weight: bold;">Letters of Grant and endorsements</span></p>
	<b>April</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Official project start date must be no later than 1 April 2024</b></p>

## 10. Project costs

In the Phase 1 application, an estimate of the grant applied for must be indicated. The total grant is maximum DKK 10 million for a five-year period. Other funding sources and an estimated total project cost should be indicated.

The budget allocation between the involved research institutions in Denmark and in country/ies where the research will be undertaken must be balanced. International research institutions are not included in the calculation, and PhD expenses for stays in Denmark should be included in the partner country/ies share.

For international research institutions, partners in third countries, national authorities, private sector partners, and other non-academic partners, the budget can only include salaries and travel expenses covering their direct input to the project activities, and no overhead can be covered. These costs are not included when calculating the budget shares for Danish and partner country institutions.

### Eligible costs

It will be possible to apply for funding for the following budget items:

- Salaries and emoluments;
- Tuition Fees and educational grants to PhD students from country/ies where the research will be undertaken;
- Expenses for travel and fieldwork;
- Project and research materials and equipment;
- Publication, dissemination and communication;
- Administration fees (overhead);
- Study stays in Denmark of PhD students;
- External audit.

It is possible to allocate up to DKK 100,000 within the budget frame per relevant researcher to cover costs of air tickets and insurance for accompanying family for longer field stays of more than 3 months in Denmark or partnering country. This applies to both researchers based in institutions in Denmark and in the Global South but to maximum 2 researchers per project.

## 11. E-application system

Submission of a Phase 1 application must be done via the online application system, [Survey Monkey Apply \(SMA\)](#), and from the SMA account of the prospective main project coordinator. A video tutorial will be [available online](#) from late November.

For new users, it is necessary to create an SMA account, and once this step is completed, the programme “Call for applications 2023 – Development research” can be accessed. It is possible to invite collaborators to join the online application process, once the application is created in SMA.

After submitting the application, the applicant will receive an e-mail acknowledging receipt. It is also possible to see whether an application has been submitted or not under “My applications”. If any doubt occurs as to whether an application has been submitted or not, the applicant should send an e-mail to [research@dfcentre.dk](mailto:research@dfcentre.dk) to enquire whether the application has been submitted. This must be done before the application deadline, since applications will not be accepted after deadline.

The Phase 1 application must comprise the completed **e-application form, including CVs and endorsements.**

**CVs of project coordinator(s) and other named project participants:** The CVs must specify the scientific qualifications, managerial skills, and experience from developing countries, and must include a list of key publications and patents relevant for the application. The length of the CVs must be no more than 2 pages per person. Signature on CVs is not required. Please note that the name and CV of the project coordinator should *only* be listed/uploaded in the task: Basic information.

**Endorsements:** It is mandatory to provide endorsements from the Head of the responsible institution/department and project coordinator as per the e-application form.

**All tasks** in the e-application form must be completed, and the application including appendices must be written in English. Only the required appendices will be considered. The appendices must be named "CV - Name of the researcher/project participant".

To account for any unforeseen issues on the applicant's side, it is advised not to wait until the last minute before deadline to submit the application.

## 12. Obligations

Applicants should familiarize themselves with the following before using the e-application system and submitting an application.

### **The responsibility of the applying institution**

The applying institution is responsible for ensuring that all information in the e-application is correct, that the required appendices are uploaded successfully with the e-application, that the contents of the appendices are correct and that the e-application has been submitted before the set deadline of the Call.

It is not possible to make corrections to an e-application after it has been submitted, except for corrections related to personal information, such as change of e-mail address.

In the event of any subsequent substantive changes affecting the submitted application, the applying institution must immediately notify the Research Management Team at DFC at [research@dfcentre.dk](mailto:research@dfcentre.dk).

The application must reflect possible legal, regulatory or ethical issues and considerations, including required standards or authorization requirements (such as production standards, quality systems, scientific ethics, data handling and protection, use of animals), as well as research permits, provision of information to relevant authorities, etc., and a plan for obtaining these.

### **Rejection of applications without substantive consideration**

An application will be rejected by DFC without substantive consideration by the FFU and the MFA if the requirements concerning the eligibility of applicants and countries, the application format and attachments, and the deadlines as set out in these guidelines are not met.

DFC will not obtain additional information from applicants after the deadline, even if the missing information results in an administrative rejection of the application.

Requirements for the application to be considered by the FFU and the MFA:

- The application must be submitted by a nationally registered university or research based institution in Denmark, with the capacity to (co-)supervise PhD students.
- The proposed project coordinator(s) applying on behalf of the responsible institution must at least hold a PhD or equivalent at the time of applying.
- The application must be submitted via the e-application system SMA
- The application must be submitted within the set deadline;
- The application must include correct CV of the project coordinator(s).
- All attachments must be complete and successfully uploaded, and it is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure this;
- The application must be endorsed by the project coordinator and the head of responsible institution. Names of endorsers must match the names of project coordinator and head of institution.
- If an endorsement is provided by another person on behalf of, and by mandate from, a head of institution, this must be noted in the comment for the endorsement;
- The application must include at least one nationally registered research partner in an eligible country.
- The application must include at least one named researcher/project participant from each listed partner institution.

### **Storage of information and data protection**

When the e-application system is used, the system will automatically register the applicant's identity, IP address, and the time at which the application was created or last edited. All personal data will be processed, stored and deleted in accordance with the EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and [DFC Privacy Policy](#). Submitted applications in Phase 2 are shared with the Innovation Fund Denmark, with the purpose of approving the scientific quality assessment of the final grants. Read about the Innovation Fund Denmark's handling of data here (only in Danish): [IFD Privacy policy](#).

### **Technical disclaimer**

DFC is obliged to inform prospective applicants of any system errors that make the e-application system unavailable, affecting the applicant's possibility of submitting e-applications within set deadlines. Information regarding such unavailability or other unforeseen events will be posted on [DFC's website](#).

DFC accepts no liability for incorrect information due to software errors, calculation errors, transmission errors and similar errors, or for any claims for damages due to incorrect use of the e-application system.

### **Other data which may be obtained by official bodies**

The MFA and the FFU reserve the right to obtain information about any previous and current applications an applicant may have submitted to the FFU, and this information may be included in processing of the application.

In the event that project funding has been or will be applied for from elsewhere, the MFA and the FFU reserve the right to obtain information as to whether the amount has been granted.

### **Use of funding for other purposes**

The MFA may, at its discretion, decide that a proportion of the funding available is to be used for other research cooperation.

### **Anti-corruption, anti-child labour and prevention of sexual exploitation, abuse and harassment**

Applications must comply with the following:

**Anti-Corruption:** No offer, payment, consideration or benefit of any kind, which could be regarded as an illegal or corrupt practice, shall be made, promised, sought or accepted - neither directly nor indirectly - as an inducement or reward in relation to any funded activities, including tendering, award, or execution of contracts.

**Child labour:** Abidance to any applicable national laws as well as applicable international instruments, including the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child and International Labour Organisation conventions.

**Prevention of sexual exploitation, abuse and harassment:** Zero tolerance for inaction approach to tackling sexual exploitation, abuse and harassment (SEAH) as defined in UNSG Bulletin ST/SGB/2003/13 and the definition of sexual harassment in UNGA Resolution A/RES/73/148. Take appropriate measures to protect people, including beneficiaries and staff, from SEAH conducted by employees and associated personnel including any sub-grantee staff and take timely and appropriate action when reports of SEAH arise.

**Anti-terrorism and restrictive measures (sanctions):** If, during the course of implementation of a project, the Responsible Institution discovers any link whatsoever with any organization or individual associated with terrorism, it must inform the DFC and Danish MoFA immediately and

explain the reasons for such link, including whether it was made or provided knowingly, voluntarily, accidentally, unintentionally, incidentally or by force.

### **Announcement**

Once the submitted Phase 1 applications have been processed, an announcement will be made on [DFC's website](#), as to who have been invited to submit a Phase 2 application. In support of that announcement, the following information may be published on the internet: applicant name, title, workplace, title of application, and expected application amount. The purpose of this is to enable applicants to apprise themselves of other prospective programme applicants and research activities and possibly form their own networks with a view to submitting joint applications.

Information about applicants who are not invited to submit a Phase 2 application may be disclosed in the event that access is applied for according to the Danish Public Records Act (Offentlighedsloven). Access to such information may be granted in the form of lists of who has applied and for what purpose (applicant names and application titles). Applicants should, therefore ensure that their application title does not reveal information about the activity that they wish to keep out of the public domain.

### **13. Useful links**

[Sustainable Development Goals](#)

[Country policies](#)

[How to notes for implementation of the Danish Strategy for Development Cooperation \(um.dk\)](#)

[The Consultative Research Committee \(FFU\)](#)

[Guide to the role of sector counsellors \(in countries with Danish Strategic Sector Cooperation\)](#)

[Phase 2 Invitation and guidelines 2022 \(for reference\)](#)