

Request for Proposals - Research Grants Expanding and Improving Disaster Risk Finance

Open Questions and Answers

Question	Response
Is it possible to award a grant before the deadline closes?	Yes, the Centre will consider applications on a rolling basis and grants can be awarded before the closing date subject to assessment, due diligence, and compliance checks.
Are there requirements from CDP on the timeframes of this work/specific deliverables (especially related to research theme 3 on pre-arranged financing), given the broad range of timeframes of 3 to 24 months for proposals?	There are no requirements on the timeframe of the projects, other than the projects must not extend beyond the 30 th June 2025. Activities must be completed well in advance of this date to ensure that approvals and administrative closeout steps can be completed ahead of the end date – we would advise that all key activities are complete no later than end of March 2025 to support this. It is expected that the timeframes align with the proposed grant funding.
What would be the expected start date of work on research theme 3 (PAF) and what would be our flexibility in shaping the timelines?	Awarded grantees would have complete flexibility on the timelines, including start date, subject to agreement of the grant's contractual terms and conditions, and completion of the due diligence and vetting checks.
What would be the IP rights of analyses produced under this grant, would the grantee retain IP or would that be CDP? And what would therefore be the possibilities/limitations of repurposing some of the research findings under this proposal for our own organisational outputs, such as own branded flagship reports?	Precise IP ownership arrangements can be determined in discussion between the Centre (and its Managing Agent DAI) and the grantee. The grantee may retain the IP where warranted. In all cases, the Centre (through the Managing Agent) must, at minimum, be awarded licence to use* of the IP produced through grant project (including any pre-existing IP embedded therein) and to award the same rights through sublicence to its funder, the UK FCDO. Requirements around acknowledgement of Centre/FCDO support in any publications will usually apply. The applicant may make a proposal for IP arrangements in its submission, as a basis for discussion.
Is it possible to submit multiple bids for different components/research themes of this RfP, or multiple proposals to carry out work on the same theme at different points in time (e.g., a proposal for work on	Yes, multiple proposals can be submitted for the same, or different research themes and on a timeline suitable to the grantee and related proposal.

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one research theme in 2022 and another proposal for the same research theme in 2023)?	
Does CDP have any preferred set of focus countries to dig deeper into, for instance in terms of sub-national data - if so, which countries?	The Centre does not have a preferred set of countries.
Having read the call document my understanding is that the Centre already has work underway to produce an annual data-led report regarding coverage of Pre-Arranged Financing (PAF), is that correct?	Yes, that is correct, any information related to the Centre's on-going projects and publishable materials can be found on our website at https://www.disasterprotection.org/
Would it be possible to add any further information about your current proposed methodology for the dataled report? For example, what level of granularity would you like to achieve in terms of tracing financial flows / coverage, and what data sources do you currently have access to, or are planning to use?	The planned data led analysis and report on pre-arranged financing will draw in the first instance on official development assistance (ODA) data reported to the OECD Development Assistance Committee (DAC) creditor reporting system (CRS) to identify and trace funds meeting our definition of pre-arranged financing from donor to first-level recipient organisation and/or country. This forms part of a planned multi-year research theme and we welcome new and additional approaches based on a variety of data sources to help us better understand the state of pre-arranged financing for the most at risk and vulnerable people. Any further information related to the Centre's on-going projects that can be shared, or that are published can be found on our website at https://www.disasterprotection.org/ . Upon submission of a proposal and suitable review, we may be able to discuss our projects, methodology and related data in more detail.

^{*} More specifically this will take the form of a perpetual, irrevocable, non-exclusive, assignable, royalty-free licence, to use, sub-licence or commercially exploit such IPRs

