

Question and Answer Template

Subject UK SBS **Evaluation of Innovate UK's Fund activities**

Sourcing reference number **OJEU-CR17066INN**

Organisation Name : Please Insert

The Response Question and Answer Document must be used by all tenderers to answer PROJ1.1. This should then be uploaded as an attachment to PROJ1.1. This is the only document assessors will evaluate this question; any other method used by bidders to answer this question will not be evaluated. Scoring shall be based on 0-100 scoring methodology. Any additional content provided beyond this will not be considered or scored during the evaluation process

PROJ1.1 Approach

Please clearly explain and give reasoning for your proposed methodology and approach to achieving the objectives and delivering the outputs highlighted in the specification.

Please ensure that as a minimum your response contains the following

- Give a detailed description of the methods to be used in undertaking the project, indicating the resources that will be utilised,
- Set out how your methods meet the project objectives and why these methods are deemed to be the most robust option given the challenges;
- Please include a recommendation for the size to ensure that the power of the analysis is sufficient, and composition of the sample and justification for your approach, along with any risks including Where longitudinal data is to be collected, the proposal should set out how it will mitigate against sample attrition.
- Please detail any specific analytical challenges around this evaluation and how you intend on mitigating these.
- Set out any aspects of your proposal which you think add value above and beyond a standard approach. Tenderers are encouraged to think innovatively in terms of how they propose to address the evaluation objectives, although innovation should not be to the detriment of robustness. Innovate UK are keen to push boundaries in their evaluations, in order to improve the quality of their evidence base.
- Proposals should set out how given the phased nature of this evaluation, any data used, including contact details, will be provided in a state in which it can be shared either with Innovate UK or a third party contractor at the end of the phase 1 evaluation.
- Critical to the success of any proposal will be the deployment of a sound, robust counterfactual. Proposals should set out how this will be defined and measured.

- Critical to the success of any proposal will be a sound approach to measuring and accounting for deadweight, displacement, leakages and spill overs. It will not be considered sufficient to rely on general estimates drawn from the wider literature to account for these. Proposals should set out how this will be defined and measured.
- It is anticipated that the successful proposal will make use of one or more appropriate control groups. Proposals should set out the population any proposed control group will be drawn from, why this represents the most appropriate control group(s), and how data will be collected from the sample, including how any issues around engagement will be addressed if primary data collection is to take place.
- Bidders may wish to consider whether taking control of the Innovate UK's project completion questionnaire that is sent to all grant funded projects delivery of this monitoring system may enable a more robust evaluation, although bidders should note that Innovate UK values the ability to link such monitoring data to specific businesses.

Bidder Guidance

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Bidder guidance - Scoring shall be based on 0-100 scoring methodology. This question is limited to 10 sides of A4 Any additional content provided beyond this will not be considered or scored during the evaluation process.

Scoring criteria Maximum Marks – 40.00%

Bidder Response: