



Research and Impact Bulletin

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[Launch: Introducing the Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences \(AHSS\) Early Career Researcher \(ECR\) Assembly](#)

A great opportunity to meet you, explain what the Early Career representatives and the Assembly can offer, and listen to what you'd like to see changed in your working culture.

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- [Towards a National Collection: Designing and Co-designing Experiences for Digital Collections](#) (06 March 2024)
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ESRC Postdoctoral Fellowship

Summary: The scheme is aimed at providing a career development opportunity for those in the immediately postdoctoral stage of their career, to provide the opportunity to consolidate their PhD through

developing publications, their networks, and their research and professional skills.

For the majority this is likely to be a research career in academia; however, those with a clearly articulated programme of activities to support their transition to a research career outside of academia (eg a researcher in public, private, or civil society organisations) will also be considered.

The grants provide funding for up to one year full-time, or up to two years part-time to give fellows time to prepare for a successful career in research either within or beyond academia.

Fellowships must start of 1 October 2024.

Award: Fellow's salary and up to £10,000 for all other costs (to include costs such as mentoring costs, travel and subsistence, conference attendance, training, and fieldwork, for example).

Deadline: 21 March 2024 (Cambridge internal deadline); 16 May 2024 (funder deadline)

Research Facilitation Contact: [Dr Anna Cieslik](#)

The UKRI Ayrton challenge programme, outline

Summary: Work funded will span the [Ayrton Fund](#) themes: Low Carbon Supplies, Super-Efficient Demand, and Smart Delivery. The programme will target the Ayrton thematic challenges including:

- next generation solar
- zero-emissions generators
- sustainable cooling for all
- modern cooking
- energy efficiency
- industrial decarbonisation
- clean transport
- smart energy systems
- energy storage
- clean hydrogen
- critical minerals
- inclusive energy and leave no-one behind

The Ayrton challenge programme will fund interdisciplinary research projects helping to drive forward the clean energy transition in developing countries, by developing both innovative technologies and the knowledge needed to enable delivery of long-term sustainable change.

Projects will contribute to meeting the United Nations(UN) Sustainable Development Goals 7 (Affordable and Clean Energy), or 13 (Climate Action) and lead to climate change mitigation in developing countries.

Award: Between £2 million and £4 million.

Deadline: 09 April 2024

Research Facilitation Contact: [Dr Anna Cieslik](#)

Arts and humanities-led research commercialisation

Summary: This funding opportunity seeks to encourage innovative applications for enhancing inclusive engagement with research funded by UKRI through the application of arts and humanities-led methodologies in a commercial context. We are looking to build a portfolio of research commercialisation activities involving a wide variety of collaborations across a diverse range of stakeholders and partners including public, private and third sector organisations, the general public, and community groups. The outcomes and impacts of this funding opportunity will influence the development of future AHRC commercialisation programmes.

Award: £50,000

Deadline: 10 April 2024

Research Facilitation Contact: [Dr Anna Cieslik](#)

Transforming data collections infrastructure for the social sciences

Summary: This funding opportunity aims to support innovative and ambitious initiatives with the potential to transform foundational social science data infrastructure, through the development of data collections generated specifically for research purposes. For more detail, see the 'Scope' section.

Applications are invited in any disciplinary areas of social and economic science (please also [see the remit requirement for ESRC funding](#)) under one or both of the following themes:

- theme A: Initial scoping for a larger project to establish transformational data collection infrastructure, broadly defined
- theme B: Facilitating development of innovative data collection methods that offer an alternative to mainstream survey approaches

Funding is available for up to 12 months. Projects can start from 1 June 2024 but must be completed by 30 June 2025.

Award: Between £50,000 and £350,000 funded at 80% fEC.

Deadline: 16 April 2024

Research Facilitation Contact: [Dr Anna Cieslik](#)

UK-Germany Bilateral: Collaborative R&D Round 3

Summary: Innovate UK has announced the [UK – Germany Bilateral: Collaborative R&D Round 3](#) call. In partnership with The German Federal Ministry For Economic Affairs And Climate Action (BMWK), Innovate is investing up to £4 million in innovation projects.

The aim of this competition is to enhance UK and German collaborations and capabilities in emerging fields of technology in our society. These fields of emerging technologies include but are not limited to: quantum, AI, semiconductor applications, engineering biology, future telecommunications, green technologies. There must be a clear route to market within 2 to 3 years of project completion. The UK side of the bid must be led by a UK registered business and the bid must involve at least one German registered small to medium sized enterprise (SME). UK partners' grant funding request must not exceed £500,000 in total. For more on the categories of research and development which Innovate UK fund, see [here](#).

For more information about the scheme, please visit [the call page](#).

University Internal selection:

Institutions can collaborate on a maximum of 3 applications. Therefore, this call will be managed according to the University's [restricted calls procedure](#).

To take part in the internal selection, please complete our [online form](#) by **16th April** (NB: if asked to log-in, please use your crsid/Raven details; note that a Form cannot be saved and returned to).

You will need the following documents and information to complete the Form:

- a **project summary** that demonstrates what makes your project innovative, its impact, and how it fits the scope of the scheme
- **head of department support letter** confirming the department is happy to host the grant
- **list of UK and German partners**, including the lead UK business and German lead SME.

Internal Assessment Criteria:

Please note that the assessment of internal applications will focus on the following core funder criteria:

- **Criterion 1: Fit to scope:** how well does the project fit the scope of the competition?
- **Criterion 2: Innovation:** what is the technological challenge? What approach will be taken? And where will the focus of innovation be?
- **Criterion 3: Impact:** What impact might this project have outside the project team, economically and socially?

Funder deadline: 3rd June, 2024.

If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact us at researchstrategy@admin.cam.ac.uk

Award: Up to £500,000.

Deadline: 16 April 2024 (restricted call deadline); 3 June 2024 (funder deadline)

Research Facilitation Contact: [Dr Anna Cieslik](#)

ACCESS Flexible Fund Round 2

Summary: We are looking to make three awards to projects that contribute to the ACCESS project's main goal to enhance the visibility, use and impact of climate and environmental social science. Projects will be expected to deliver at least TWO of the following outcomes:

- New ideas or frameworks
- New methods of translating evidence or insights (e.g. communication tools)
- New networks
- Development of new skills or capacities
- Increased use of social science amongst specific target groups, for example people in diverse sectors (business/industry, civil society, public sector, journalists and media actors) or non-social scientist disciplinary experts (e.g. natural scientists, engineering and physical scientists).

Applications to Round 2 must have an early career researcher on the project team, either playing a Principal Investigator (Project Lead) or Co-Investigator role.

Award: Between £200,000 and £240,000 funded at 100% fEC for projects up to 2 years in duration.

Deadline: 26 April 2024

Research Facilitation Contact: [Dr Anna Cieslik](#)

AHRC Innovation Scholars secondments in design: second round

Summary: Apply for funding to develop your skills and exchange knowledge through the UKRI Innovation Scholars programme. This secondment opportunity is focused on design. For this AHRC opportunity, the aim is to enhance the skills and careers of individuals in design research and innovation. This will be achieved through funding individual secondments focused on research and innovation, with networking events for the secondees.

You must have a desire to proactively engage with design and the motivation to work within it. Interdisciplinary secondment proposals as well as practice-based ones will be welcomed.

Your secondment is expected to:

- boost your skills, knowledge, networking opportunities and therefore career development
- intensify knowledge exchange and create porosity between different sectors, resulting in innovative outputs
- bring benefits to your host organisation
- add value to the design sector and the UK economy

Projects can last between six months and 36 months and can be full or part-time, or hybrid (a combination of part-time and full-time).

Award: Up to £200,000 funded at 100% for eligible salary, travel and subsistence costs.

Deadline: 30 April 2024

Research Facilitation Contact: [Dr Anna Cieslik](#)

AHRC Catalyst Awards

Summary: Catalyst awards support researchers without prior experience of leading a significant research project to accelerate their trajectory as independent researchers, unlocking their potential and building leadership and convenor experience through the delivery of ambitious or complex projects.

The scheme takes a people-centred approach with funding available to support the development of researchers and their research ideas. It is flexible, and applications are welcomed from teams, networks and solo researchers.

Development is at the core of this scheme; projects must clearly articulate how the funding will contribute to the development of all those involved through the way that the project has been designed and will be managed, with appropriate support structures in place.

Award: Between £100,000 and £300,000 funded at 80% fEC.

Deadline: 30 April 2024

Research Facilitation Contact: [Dr Anna Cieslik](#)

AHRC Curiosity Award

Summary: Curiosity awards support early-stage ambitious and novel fundamental research which has the potential to act as a springboard towards new and exciting research agendas.

The funding opportunity celebrates the full diversity of the arts and humanities. It is flexible, and applications are welcomed from teams, networks, and solo researchers.

Projects can be single discipline, interdisciplinary, multidisciplinary, and transdisciplinary. The majority of the disciplinary focus of the project must fall within our subject remit; see section seven of the [AHRC research funding guide](#) for our remit coverage. Practice-based and practice-led research is supported by this funding opportunity.

Award: Up to £100,000 funded at 80% fEC.

Deadline: 30 April 2024

Research Facilitation Contact: [Dr Anna Cieslik](#)

Amazon +10 Initiative: research expeditions to the Amazon

Summary: The funding opportunity aims to support research and technological development in Legal Amazonia, focusing on a deeper understanding of nature-society interactions for sustainable and inclusive development in the region.

We welcome multidisciplinary applications that span the remits of NERC and AHRC though it is not a requirement for funding. Details of the topics we cover can be found on the [NERC](#) and [AHRC](#) websites.

We invite applications that address the following funding opportunity objectives:

- support the organisation of scientific expeditions aimed at expanding our knowledge about biodiversity or socio-cultural diversity in the Amazon
- build institutional research partnerships between organisations in the Amazon and outside the region, and connect researchers with different affiliations
- foster the strengthening of local research infrastructure and training of professionals in taxonomy, systematics, museology and ethnobiology, under the coordination of teams based in the Amazon
- encourage scientific research in remote and understudied parts of the Amazon
- encourage scientific research that proposes ways to surmount the challenges of studying less well-known and less studied taxonomic groups
- encourage co-creation of applications with traditional knowledge holders from local indigenous peoples, quilombolas, and riparian communities
- promote activities involving education, popularisation and scientific diffusion to different kinds of audience in all sectors of society, and involving specialists, groups and institutions engaged in formal and non-formal education (for example schools, extension units, museums, science centres, zoos, botanic gardens, aquariums, conservation unit visitor centres and non-governmental organisations)

Award: Up to £1 million for the UKRI component of collaborative projects with Brazilian partners. We will fund 80% of the full economic cost for UK organisation costs. We encourage applications of different sizes. The duration of this award is up to three years. Projects must start by 1 November 2024.

Deadline: 30 April 2024

[ADR UK research fellowships](#)

Summary: ADR UK (Administrative Data Research UK) invites applications for Research Fellowships to conduct research and analysis demonstrating the policy impact potential of [ADR England flagship datasets](#). These datasets are held within the Office for National Statistics (ONS) Secure Research Service or other ADR UK trusted research environments

We are looking for fellowship proposals that meet the following four objectives:

- useful research: proposals that will act as 'pathfinders' for conducting research and deriving insights from the dataset, and which showcase the potential for policy impact and public benefit
- useful data: proposals that will develop the data as a useful research resource for future users
- useful engagement: proposals that will foster opportunities between academia, government, the voluntary and community sector, and the public to allow fresh thinking to flourish and maintain public acceptance of the use of data for research purposes
- community building: proposals that will greatly boost the applicant's development as a research leader in their field and include activities promoting the development of a wider community around a particular dataset or theme

Award: Up to £200,000 funded at 80% fEC. Fellowship can last up to 18 months in duration and must begin by 15 October 2024.

Deadline: 30 April 2024

Research Facilitation Contact: [Dr Anna Cieslik](#)

[UKRI NSF-SBE Lead Agency, round 2](#)

Summary: We're looking for individual researchers with proposals for well-defined collaborative research projects. However, you may include elements of individual research if you can show how this will add value.

Collaborations can involve:

- a single institution or a combination of institutions
- researchers working in different research areas
- disciplines within the arts and humanities, or between an arts and humanities discipline and another subject area. In such collaborations the arts and humanities element of the project should lead in shaping the research questions, methods and so on
- researchers working in other sectors
- researchers based abroad

The proposed collaboration should be appropriate for the specific needs of the research project.

We expect the project lead and any project co-leads to devote an average of at least four hours per week to the project.

Award: Between £300,000 and £1.5 million fEC for the UK hosted element of the project. AHRC will fund 80% fEC. The maximum duration of this award is five years.

Deadline: 27 June 2024

Research Facilitation Contact: [Dr Elizabeth Penner](#)

[Collaborate with researchers in Luxembourg, round 2](#)

Summary: This funding opportunity funds work with researchers in Luxembourg. Collaborative work is governed by an agreement between UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) and Fonds National de la Recherche (FNR).

You can submit collaborative research proposals in any area of arts and humanities within the remit of both Arts and Humanities Research Council (AHRC) and FNR.

Award: Between £300,000 and £1.5 million fEC for the UK hosted element of the project. AHRC will fund 80% fEC. The maximum duration of this award is five years.

Deadline: 27 June 2024

Research Facilitation Contact: [Dr Elizabeth Penner](#)

[Working with Brazilian Researchers, round 2](#)

Summary: You can apply to work with overseas researchers in the State of São Paulo, Brazil.

Collaborative work is governed by an agreement between UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) and State of São Paulo Research Foundation (FAPESP).

Submit a collaborative research proposal in any area of the arts and humanities within the remit of Arts and Humanities Research Council (AHRC) and FAPESP.

Award: Between £300,000 and £1.5 million fEC for the UK hosted element of the project. AHRC will fund 80% fEC. The maximum duration of this award is five years.

Deadline: 27 June 2024

Research Facilitation Contact: [Dr Elizabeth Penner](#)

Horizon Europe Update: UK Eligibility Update

Horizon Europe Work Programme 2023 (and previous years)

Successful UK applicants to calls under the Horizon Europe Work Programme 2023 (and previous years) will be funded under the [UKRI Guarantee Funding](#). This Guarantee Funding has recently been extended to cover successful applications made by UK-based businesses and researchers to calls under the Horizon Europe 2021, 2022 or 2023 work programmes.

Horizon Europe 2024 Work Programme Calls

Successful UK applicants will be funded by the EU, under the Horizon Europe Programme.

Updates on Association: Please visit the Research Operation Office's [EU pages](#).

Horizon Europe Main Work Programme

[This PDF](#) offers further details on calls relevant to SAHSS. This list is not exhaustive so please refer the Horizon Europe Portal for full details. UKRO also have some very useful [Factsheets](#) that outline the thematic clusters that make up the three pillars of research support offered.

Research Facilitation Contact: [Dr Elizabeth Penner](#)

Highlighted notices:

[Radicalisation and gender](#)

[HORIZON-CL3-2024-FCT-01-04](#)

Deadline: 20 November 2024

[Combating hate speech online and offline](#)

[HORIZON-CL3-2024-FCT-01-05](#)

Deadline: 20 November 2024

[Digital solutions to foster participative design, planning and management of buildings, neighbourhoods and urban districts \(Built4People Partnership\)](#)

[HORIZON-CL5-2024-D4-02-05](#)

Deadline: 21 January 2025

Proof of Concept Grant

Summary: The ERC Proof of Concept Grants aim at facilitating exploration of the commercial and social innovation potential of ERC funded research, by funding further work (i.e. activities which were not scheduled to be funded by the original ERC frontier research grant) to verify the innovation potential of ideas arising from ERC funded projects. Proof of Concept Grants are therefore on offer only to Principal Investigators whose proposals draw substantially on their ERC funded research.

Award: up to € 150,000 for a period of 18 months.

Deadline: 17 September 2024 (tentative deadline)

Research Facilitation Contact: [Dr Elizabeth Penner](#)

ERC Advanced Grant

Summary: The ERC Advanced Grant is for established research leaders with a recognised track record of research achievements in the last 10 years. PIs should be exceptional leaders in terms of originality and significance of their research contributions.

Award: € 2.5 million for a period of 5 years. An additional € 1 million can be requested to cover start-up costs, the purchase of major equipment and/or access to large facilities.

Deadline: 29 August 2024, tentative deadline

Research Facilitation Contact: [Dr Elizabeth Penner](#)

ERC Starting Grant

Summary: ERC grants support projects carried out by an **individual researcher** who can employ researchers of any nationality as team members. It is also possible to have one or more team members located in a non-European country. Researchers of any nationality with 2-7 years of experience since completion of PhD, a scientific track record showing great promise and an excellent research proposal can apply.

Award: € 1.5 million for a period of 5 years (pro-rata for project of shorter duration). An additional € 1 million can be requested to cover start-up costs, the purchase of major equipment and/or access to large facilities.

Deadline: TBA November 2024, tentative deadline

Research Facilitation Contact: [Dr Elizabeth Penner](#)

British Academy ODA Challenge-Oriented Research Grants 2024

Summary: The British Academy is inviting proposals on specific global challenges from researchers

based in the UK, Brazil, Egypt, Indonesia, Jordan, Kenya, Malaysia, Philippines, South Africa, Turkey, Thailand, Vietnam and/or [Least Developed Countries](#).

The aim of this call is to support ODA-eligible international research collaborations between humanities and social sciences researchers in the UK and researchers in Brazil, Egypt, Indonesia, Jordan, Kenya, Malaysia, Philippines, South Africa, Turkey, Thailand, Vietnam and/or [Least Developed Countries](#) on the following themes:

- [Antimicrobial Resistance](#)
- [Culture, Heritage and Climate Action](#)
- [Environmental Resilience and Climate Action](#)
- [Pandemic Preparedness](#)
- [Power and Voice in Climate Action](#)
- [Societal Challenges and Approaches to Responsible Technologies](#)
- [Social Determinants of Health](#)
- [Women and Climate Action](#)

The Academy wishes to support diverse policy-relevant thinking related to these challenges. The Academy does not have any pre-determined ideas regarding the exact type of project, outputs, and dissemination of the research other than that it must be policy-relevant.

Applications must demonstrate a dedicated focus on Brazil, Egypt, Indonesia, Jordan, Kenya, Malaysia, Philippines, South Africa, Turkey, Thailand, Vietnam and/or [Least Developed Countries](#).

Award: Up to £200,000 for 18 months in duration with Full Economic Costing (FEC) at 80%.

Deadline: 10 April 2024

Facilitation Contact: [Dr Elizabeth Penner](#)

[Wellcome Trust Career Development Awards](#)

Summary: This scheme provides funding for mid-career researchers from any discipline who have the potential to be international research leaders. They will develop their research capabilities, drive innovative programmes of work and deliver significant shifts in understanding that could improve human life, health and wellbeing.

Award: Provides a salary for the grantholder (if required) and research expenses. Please request for level and duration of funding that's justifiable for your proposed research.

Deadline: 11 April 2024

Research Facilitation Contact: [Dr Anna Cieslik](#)

[Wellcome Trust Discovery Awards](#)

Summary: This scheme provides funding for established researchers and teams from any discipline who want to pursue bold and creative research ideas to deliver significant shifts in understanding that could improve human life, health and wellbeing. The award usually lasts for 8 years, but may be less for some disciplines, such as humanities and social science.

Award: Limit not specified. It is expected that the PI requests an amount that is appropriate to the project.

Deadline: 16 April 2024

Research Facilitation Contact: [Dr Anna Cieslik](#)

[British Council International Collaboration Grant](#)

Summary: Our International Collaboration Grants encourage new bilateral and multilateral partnerships, providing funding to enable organisations to make and develop creative artwork with their international peers, and help individual artists find innovative ways of collaborating.

Applications must demonstrate genuine international collaboration and deliver explicit benefit to participating UK artists and organisations and their international partners. Projects can address any theme and we ask applicants to share their approach to diversity, inclusion and environmental sustainability in the delivery of their project.

Each project should include at least one UK-based organisation and one organisation based in the countries listed below as part of the partnership.

Albania, Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Brazil, Mainland China, Colombia, Cuba, Egypt, Ethiopia, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kosovo, Lebanon, Libya, Malaysia, Montenegro, Mexico, Morocco, Myanmar, Nepal, Nigeria, North Macedonia, Occupied Palestinian Territories, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Serbia, Senegal, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Syria, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkey, Uganda, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Venezuela, Vietnam, Yemen and Zimbabwe.

Award: Between £25,000 and £75,000.

Deadline: 30 April 2024

Research Facilitation Contact: [Dr Elizabeth Penner](#)

[Leverhulme Visiting Professorship](#)

Summary: For UK institutions to invite an eminent senior professor from overseas, to bring genuinely novel expertise and enhance the skills and knowledge of academic staff and students in an underrepresented area in the UK. Priority will be given to new or recent collaborations and visits with a

variety of activities beyond research.

Award: Applications are invited for a minimum of £10,000 and a maximum of £150,000.

Deadline: 02 May 2024

Research Facilitation Contact: [Dr Anna Cieslik](#)

Leverhulme Major Research Fellowship

Summary: For well-established, distinguished researchers in the humanities and social sciences to complete a piece of original research

Fellowships are particularly aimed at those who are or have been prevented by routine duties from completing a programme of original research.

Award: Replacement salary costs for duration of fellowship.

Deadline: 10 May 2024

Research Facilitation Contact: [Dr Anna Cieslik](#)

British Academy Small Grants

Summary: All applications should demonstrate that Academy funds are sought for a clearly defined, discrete piece of research, which will have an identifiable outcome on completion of the Academy-funded component of the research.

Award: Up to £10,000 for projects between 1 and 24 months in duration.

Deadline: 05 June 2024

Research Facilitation Contact: [Dr Anna Cieslik](#)

Leverhulme Trust Research Centres

Summary: For UK universities to set up a Leverhulme Research Centre for outstanding original research aspiring to achieve a step-change in scholarship

The Trust aims to encourage new approaches that may establish or reshape a field of study and so transform our understanding of a significant contemporary topic.

Given the Trust's commitment to multiple existing research centres at Cambridge, the Trust is excluding Cambridge as a lead institution in the upcoming round of competition. ***Cambridge may still partner in applications led by other universities.**

Award: Up to £10,000,000 for 10 years.

Deadline: 07 June 2024

Research Facilitation Contact: [Dr Anna Cieslik](#)

Large Grant Contribution Fund

Summary: Research grant applications for funding over £1 million for AHSS subject areas can request financial contributions from this fund. Funding may be requested for activities that are complementary to the external funding and contributions from Departments / Schools / Non-school institutions. Activities that add value in the following areas are particularly encouraged: widening participation and inclusion; improving partnerships locally / nationally / internationally; capacity and capability building; working with less advantaged partners. Leveraging funding for existing grant awards is not in the remit of this fund. All applications must include one or more external partners and only applications led by Cambridge PIs are eligible.

Award: Up to 10% of the award value. PI buyout and equipment are **not** eligible costs for request.

Deadline: Minimum 4 weeks before funder deadline.

Research Facilitation Contact: [Dr Anna Cieslik](#) and Rpc@admin.cam.ac.uk

REF Impact Funding

Summary: Internal funding is available from the Research Strategy Office to support the development of the University's REF impact submission. It is expected that successful applications will fund impact activities that may feed into potential impact case studies only where no other monies are available. Applications will be reviewed by the Impact and Knowledge Exchange Team.

Submissions may include (but are not restricted to):

- Support for gathering feedback from public engagement activities
- Economic health monitoring
- Surveying/engaging with research users to evaluate impact
- Independent evaluation of impacts
- Resource to collate citations in policy documents

Award: Up to £10,000.

Deadline: Rolling basis

Research Facilitation Contact: [Please contact your relevant member of the Impact and Knowledge Exchange Team.](#)

All-Council Rapid Response Impact Acceleration Account Call

Summary: The All-Council Rapid Response Impact Acceleration Account Call is now open to support a wide range of impact activities when researchers are confronted by time-sensitive opportunities or need to test new ideas quickly. This call supports interdisciplinary projects, open to PIs and ECRs with PIs as co-applicants.

Proposed projects must support 'on the ground' impact and knowledge exchange activities, which enable researchers at all levels to engage with the public, private and third sectors, and provides a sustainable support structure within the University to promote wider and more effective engagement with external non-academic organisations. Project can be up to three months in duration.

Award: Up to £15,000 per application.

Deadline: Rolling basis

Research Facilitation Contact: [Dr Lucy Sheerman](#)

AHRC IAA Knowledge Exchange Fellowship Scheme

Summary: The AHRC IAA Knowledge Exchange Fellowship Scheme promotes strategic partnerships with non-HEI organisations across the arts and humanities at the University of Cambridge. The fund supports partnership building with specific organisations such as (but not limited to) museums, theatres, social enterprises, NGOs, and government departments. Funds are available for a range of activities including teaching replacement costs, costs for incoming fellowships from the partner organisation, postdoctoral or administrative support, travel and subsistence expenses, and workshops. The scheme aims to allow researchers to create new partnerships with external entities more generally, collaboratively shape research agendas, contribute to future research funding applications (including match-funding for studentships in the DTPs), and further facilitate impact generating activities.

Award: Up to £20,000 cover 100% of directly incurred costs.

Deadline: Rolling basis

Research Facilitation Contact: [Dr Lucy Sheerman](#)

Cambridge Humanities Research Grants

Summary: The Cambridge Humanities Research Grants scheme (CHRG) supports research in the arts, humanities and social sciences across the University. The scheme welcomes applications from any independent researcher holding a current contract of employment at the point of application.

The Scheme is designed to enable researchers to conduct small-scale research activities, of the highest quality, that will enable them to bid successfully for larger-scale funding from external sponsors, and/or to generate publications, and/or to contribute materially in other ways towards the research objectives of their home institution.

Applications may be made at any time in the year, for the next available gathered field, with outcomes known approximately six weeks later.

Award: varies depending on scheme between £1,500 and £20,000

Deadline: 25 March 2024

Contact: AHSS Research Strategy at: AHSSresearchstrategy@admin.cam.ac.uk

Returning Carers' Scheme

Summary: The latest round of the University's Returning Carers' Scheme is now open for applications until 4 April 2024. The fund provides grants of up to £10,000 to support employees who have taken a career break or a period of leave for caring responsibilities. Full details, including the eligibility criteria, examples of what the grant can be used for and how to apply can be found on the [HR website](#).

Award: Up to £10,000

Deadline: 04 April 2024

Contact: returningcarers@admin.cam.ac.uk

RD Enhanced Funding

Summary: The applications for this term's **RD Enhanced Funding** are now open. This fund is intended to enable Schools, Faculties and Departments to deliver Researcher Development events and programmes for their PhD students and postdocs.

The application round for this Term is now open and can be found here: [Enhanced Funding Application](#). Applications will be accepted until midnight on Monday 8 April.

You can read more about the RD Enhanced Funding scheme, guidance, and application process on our [website](#).

Please note:

- A copy of the application questions can be viewed on our [website](#)
- The deadline for receipt of applications is **midnight on the 8 April**

- Successful applicants will have 12 months to spend awarded funds.
- Individual researchers are **not** eligible to apply for Enhanced Funding
- A short evaluation will be requested from all successful applicants (more information and evaluation form you can find on the website).

Award: varies

Deadline: 08 April 2024

Contact: researcher.development@admin.cam.ac.uk

[Registrations for European Research and Innovation Week 2024](#)

registration open

event dates: 18 to 21 March 2024, Brussels

Registrations are now open for the EC's annual flagship Research and Innovation event which will take place between 18th – 21st March 2024 in Belgium. This event brings together policymakers, researchers and entrepreneurs for debates, workshops and networking opportunities. For further details including the programme and registration, please go to the [European Commission website](#).

[Towards a National Collection: Designing and Co-Designing Experiences for Digital Collections](#)

06 March 2024, 2:00-3:30pm

Online

This [Towards a National Collection](#) (TaNC) webinar provides a platform for researchers from our [Unpath'd Waters](#) and [Our Heritage, Our Stories](#) Discovery Projects to share unique insights into co-designing virtual reality environments, transcribing co-design, working with community generated digital content (CGDC) and more.

- **Jonathan Combey**, Royal Museums Greenwich: *To err is human: Transcription accuracy in co-design*
 - **Ashleigh Hawkins**, The National Archives: *The UK General Data Protection Regulation and the re-use of community generated digital content (CGDC): Capturing the people of today in the cultural heritage data of tomorrow*
 - **Scott Carballo**, Glasgow School of Art: *Unpath'd Waters: The co-design of the [Unpath Navigator](#)*
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[Ideas Incubator Final Event](#)

08 March 2024, 15:45 - 18:30

Hauser Forum, 3 Charles Babbage Road, Cambridge CB3 0GT

To conclude our second edition of the [CRoSS](#) Ideas Incubator, we invite you to "Pitch In!" as part of a welcoming and constructive audience for our outstanding teams.

Our Ideas Incubator programme focuses on research-based social innovations from the University of Cambridge. It has been invigorating to support 13 exciting teams from across the social sciences as they ramp up their ambitions, design and refine their plans, develop entrepreneurial skills and make meaningful connections to the Cambridge ecosystem.

Will you join us to give these teams a boost as they enter Cambridge's wider innovation community?

We are asking our audience to join us in the spirit of "Pitching In" – whether through your feedback, introductions, support, mentoring, funding or encouragement. Help us to transform these ideas into high-impact products, services and ventures.

Any questions?

If you have any questions about this event, please contact ahss@enterprise.cam.ac.uk.

[Register](#)

[Towards a National Collection: Language & Access. Machine Learning for Digital Collections](#)

13 March 2024, 2:00 - 3:30pm

Online

This [Towards a National Collection](#) (TaNC) webinar will explore how machine learning technologies may enhance discoverability of digital collection content and contribute to a better understanding of biased language, bringing together researchers from two of our Discovery Projects, [Our Heritage, Our Stories](#) and [Transforming Collections](#).

- [Tehmina Goskar](#), Decolonising Arts Institute, UAL: *Learning the biased languages of benevolence, equity and the machine*
- [Youcef Benkhedda](#), University of Manchester: *Unlocking community-generated digital content: enhancing discoverability with advanced NLP and knowledge graphs*

The webinar will begin with Tehmina Goskar, discussing her collaboration with the Creative Computing Institute to experiment with machine learning to better understand biased languages of benevolence and equity in organisational texts of public art collections, and how this might inform long-standing and systemic concerns about bias and discrimination. Youcef Benkhedda will talk about cutting-edge natural language processing (NLP) techniques and how they may be used to enhance the discoverability of community-generated digital content (CGDC) in digital collections. There will then be an open Q&A session.

[Towards a National Collection Project Webinar: Heritage Data Practices & Decentralisation](#)

19 March 2024, 2:00 - 3:30pm

Online

This [Towards a National Collection \(TaNC\)](#) webinar will focus on navigating responsible data practices and decentralization in digital cultural heritage, bringing together researchers from two of our Discovery Projects, [The Congruence Engine](#) and [The Sloane Lab](#).

- [Foteini Valeonti](#), University College London: *Decentralising Digital Humanities*
- [Anna-Maria Sichani](#), University of London: *From collections-as-data to responsible data: data-driven approaches and ethics in digital cultural heritage*

The webinar will begin with Foteini Valeonti, discussing a synthesis of web3-related technologies for digital humanities infrastructures, exploring opportunities of decentralisation and open access data storage, as well as associated risks and challenges. Anna-Maria Sichani will talk about data-related infrastructure requirements in cultural heritage institutions, exploring data-specific issues, from legacy and inconsistent datasets' descriptions, resistance to standardisation to hidden bias and positionality in various data-related processes.




[Ideas to reality - Spring 2024 Programme](#)

26 March – 13 June 2024

If you are an academic, researcher or PhD student based within the University of Cambridge, and would like to learn more about how to commercialise the outcome of your research or how to use your existing skills and resources to make an impact, this is the place to start!

The programme focuses on the different routes to commercialisation open to you, including using your expertise as a consultant, collaborating with external companies, and creating a new company or social enterprise.

More information available via the links below:

-  [@CamAHSSResearch](#)
-  [Previous Bulletin Issues](#)
-  [External Funding Deadline Calendar](#)

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