**LSSI International Strategic Research Partnership Funding**

As part of Leeds Social Sciences Institute’s (LSSI) development of strategic partnerships with the Instituto de Investigaciones Gino Germani (IIGG) at the University of Buenos Aires, teams with at least one researcher in each of the 2 institutions are invited to apply for up to £6,000 to pump prime collaborative research activities. Larger awards can be considered in exceptional circumstances and judged on their merits.

The pump prime research award is intended to support collaborative small-scale proof of concept/pilot research projects (data generation/analysis) where the activity will either catalyse the development of collaborative research proposals to be submitted to funders (national and international), generate collaborative research outputs, or support the collaborative delivery of impact related activities from previous research projects.

The funding can also support the development of networks and collaborations across the University of Leeds and the University of Buenos Aires (for example through hosting a conference or workshop) where this activity will result in the submission of funding applications and/or joint publications.

Eligible costs include [*academic staff time and overheads are* ***not*** *eligible*]:

* cost of travel and accommodation for field visits
* data collection or analysis
* translation services
* facilitation services
* temporary (UG/PGT) research support and activity to develop research collaborations
* international mobility

Projects can start from 3rd January 2023. Projects must be completed and claimed for by 31 July 2023.

Funds may only be used to support the activities detailed in the application and should not duplicate projects already supported by other schemes. At the end of the project, you will be required to complete a final report detailing your achievements and next steps no later than one month after the end date.

**Deadline for applications:**

Applications submitted before **17.00 (GMT) on Friday 2nd December 2022** will be considered by the Panel. Applications received after this deadline will not be considered.

**Where to send your application:**

Please send your completed form to [lssi@leeds.ac.uk](mailto:lssi@leeds.ac.uk).

**Application format:**

Your application should be no longer than one-side of A4 (size 11 font, normal or moderate margins); plus a second page for your financial table.

**Process for selecting projects:**

All applications will be evaluated by a Panel (including academics and staff from Research and Innovation Service) for the quality of the research idea (in terms of originality, significance, rigour, and reach), potential to enhance collaboration between staff at the University of Leeds and the University of Buenos Aires, plans for subsequent work and overall value for money. Decisions will be circulated by Friday 16th December 2022.

**LSSI International Strategic Research Partnership Funding Application Form**

**Application form to be no longer than 2 pages in total (form 1 page max, plus an additional financial table).** Please use font size 11 and do not amend margins throughout the application

**Please return completed applications to** [**lssi@leeds.ac.uk**](mailto:lssi@leeds.ac.uk) **by 17.00 GMT on 2 December 2022**

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| Project Title |  |
| Lead PI [Lead PI name] |  |
| Co-applicants [Co-applicant names and institution] |  |
| Budget Holder [Insert Faculty responsible for budget] |  |
| Requested Budget [amount in £] |  |
| 1. *(You may remove explanatory text in italics to create space) Briefly outline your work plan and show how this aligns with the criteria described above. You may find it useful to outline your proposed project against the following headings, but you do not have to use them:*  *· Project aims*  *· Project activities and link to strategic priorities (including dates; projects completed by 31 July 2023)*  *· Project partners and how they will be involved*  *· Outputs, outcomes, and planned future work* | |
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Please complete the financial table below, delete unnecessary rows:

*N.B. - We encourage consideration of the Fairer Futures for All commitment when considering staffing*

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| Items | Costs £ |
| Travel and Subsistence: please itemise each journey, state the number of days and rate claimed for each location and identify who the costs relate to |  |
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| Consumables: please state item and number |  |
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| Directly Incurred (DI): Staff costs |  |
| Other costs: please specify |  |
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Total funds sought: £\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

I will ensure that all spending and claims are completed by 31 July 2023 ☐

Applicant signature: …………………………………… Date ………………………

Faculty Finance Manager signature: …………………………………… Date ………………………