



About UKIERI

The UK India Education and Research Initiative (UKIERI) started in April 2006 with the aim of enhancing educational links between India and the UK. In the last five years, UKIERI has played a pivotal role in establishing a step change in the educational relations between the two countries. In recognition of the substantial achievements and building on the success of this initiative, the programme has been extended for 5 years from 2011 to 2016. The extension was announced by the UK Prime Minister Mr. David Cameron and Indian Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh in July 2010.

Both governments have confirmed funding for UKIERI and the programme aims to now deliver systemic change by reaching out to larger numbers. The second phase of UKIERI is comprised of four strands covering:

1. Leadership Development
2. Innovation Partnerships
3. Skill Development
4. Enhancing Mobility

Call for Bids

UKIERI is now accepting proposals for the following strand activities:

Strand 2: Innovation Partnerships

a) UGC UKIERI Thematic Partnerships

Proposals invited in partnership with University Grants Commission to develop mutually beneficial research partnerships between Indian and UK Higher Education Institutions (recognised under the Section 2(f) and 12 B of the UGC Act)

b) DST-UKIERI Thematic Partnerships

Proposals invited in partnership with Department of Science and Technology to develop mutually beneficial research partnerships between Indian and UK Higher Education Institutions in the 5 key subject areas:

1. Stem Cell Research and Animal Biotechnology
2. Next Generation Networks in Telecommunication
3. Advanced Materials including Nanotechnology
4. Weather Science and Climate Change
5. New Energy Technologies including Hydrogen

c) Trilateral Research In Partnership

Proposals are invited to support the development of mutually beneficial partnerships between higher education institutions in the UK, US and India for developing joint proposals on innovation in research

Strand 3: Skills Development

a) Sector Skills Collaboration

Proposals invited from consortia of TVET organisations/institutions including partners within relevant industries in India and the UK to contribute to the development of key infrastructure elements in the area of skills development and capacity building, with a particular focus on strengthening Sector Skills bodies

b) Institutional Capacity Building

Proposals invited from Further Education Institutions, TVET organisations and SME's from both India and the UK to develop partnerships on capacity building and towards supporting the vocational education institutions and schools through training and development of teaching/training staff

c) Skills Travel Grant

Proposals invited from Skill development organisation/institutions from both India and UK to undertake visits for finding suitable partners and developing business models for submitting the full grant application in the above mentioned areas (a & b)

Strand 4: Enhancing Mobility

a) UKIERI India- UK Staff Exchange Programme

Proposals invited from Higher Education Institutions /Schools/Further Education institutions to promote staff exchanges between India and the UK for sharing and delivering best practices on curriculum and pedagogy and learning from each others' systems.

b) UKIERI India- UK Study Missions

Proposals invited from the UK and Indian Higher Education/Further Education institution to develop partnerships for enhancing student mobility through developing, facilitating and managing study tours for students at undergraduate and post graduate level in 5 identified themes:

- Social work
- Fashion design
- Architecture
- Creative Arts & Media
- History
- Economy

c) Study India Programme

Applications to tender are invited from UK universities and businesses interested in developing and managing the UKIERI Study India Programme for undergraduates from the UK

How to Apply

UKIERI is now accepting proposals for the following strand activities:

| Strand | Activity & Mode of Application | Deadline for Submission | Who can apply? |
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| Strand 2 Innovation Partnerships | UGC Thematic Partnerships <i>Apply through the Joint Application form</i> | 15 March 2012 | HEI and Research based organisations |
| | DST Thematic Partnerships <i>Apply through the Joint Application form</i> | 15 March 2012 | HEI and Research based organisations |
| | Trilateral Research In Partnership <i>Apply through the Joint Application form</i> | 13 April 2012 | HEI and Research based organisations from UK, India and US |
| Strand 3 Skills Development | Sector Skills Collaboration <i>Apply through the Joint Application form</i> | 15 March 2012 | FEI, TVET organisation, Certification & Awarding bodies and SMEs |
| | Institutional Capacity Building <i>Apply through the Joint Application form</i> | 15 March 2012 | FEI, TVET organisation, Certification & Awarding bodies and SMEs |
| | Skills Travel Grant <i>Apply through the Joint Application form</i> | 15 March 2012 | FEI, TVET organisation, Certification & Awarding bodies and SMEs |
| Strand 4 Enhancing Mobility | India -UK Staff Exchange Programme <i>Apply as per the form provided.</i> | 15 March 2012 | HEI, FEI and Schools |
| | India- UK Study Missions <i>Apply as per the form provided</i> | 15 March 2012 | HEI and FEI |

HEI – Higher Education Institutions

FEI – Further Education Institutions

TVET – Technical and Vocational Education & Training

SME – Small and Medium Enterprises

Pre Bid **Workshops**

UKIERI is organising pre bid workshops to help potential applicants understand the application process for the current call announced under UKIERI. The workshop is open to all Higher and Further Education institutions, Technical and Vocational Education institutions & schools from India and the UK. These workshops are aimed at individuals/institutions that are new to UKIERI.

| India Workshops | | |
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| Date | Timing | Venue* |
| 13 February | 10:00- 13:00 Hrs | British Council Mumbai |
| 13 February | 14:00- 17:00 Hrs | British Council Kolkata |
| 14 February | 14:00- 17:00 Hrs | British Council Delhi |
| UK Workshops | | |
| 17th February | 10:00 -13:00 hrs | British Council Belfast |
| 23rd February | 10:00 -13:00 hrs | British Council Manchester |
| 28th February | 10:00 -13:00 hrs | British Council London |
| 29th February | 10:00 -13:00 hrs | British Council Cardiff |
| 1st March | 10:00 -13:00 hrs | British Council Edinburgh |

* Workshop location to be confirmed on UKIERI website

Please visit http://www.ukieri.com/call_for_bids.html to get information about guidelines, application form and registration for Pre Bid Workshops



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