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**NEW FOUNDATIONS 2025 INDICATIVE APPLICATION FORM**

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| Programme Name | New Foundations 2025 |
| Application Deadline | 17th of July 2025 at 4:00pm (Irish time) |
| Project ID | The OLS will generate this ID |

**Project title**

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| (100 words) |

**Irish Research Body:**

Dropdown list of eligible HEIs and RPOs

**APPLICANT DETAILS**

**Name:**

**Email address:**

**Please select the gender you identify with:**

**What is your nationality i.e., your passport-issuing country?**

**ORCID identifier**

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**Do you currently hold, or have you previously held, a Taighde Éireann - Research Ireland Award (formerly Irish Research Council Award)?**

Yes

No

**Position in Eligible Research Body**

Dropdown list:

* Post-Doctoral Researcher
* Lecturer/Assistant Professor
* Associate Professor
* Professor
* Other

**If ‘Other’, please enter your position title/position**

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| (max 255 characters) |

**Please specify your PhD graduation date.**

If you have not yet graduated, YOU MUST have all the requirements for the award of a doctoral degree, including the submission of the hardbound corrected thesis. Please indicate the year of submission above.

**Submission year**

XX/XX/XXXX

**Strand being applied for**

* **Strand 1a**: Enhancing Civic Society (max €12,000)
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* **Strand 17:** The Heritage Council New Foundations Award (max €10,000)
* **Strand 18:** Fostering democratic engagement amongst communities experiencing barriers and disengagement, in partnership with An Coimisiún Toghcháin (The Electoral Commission) (max €15,000)

**Project Title**

**Abbreviation of proposed title**

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| (max 12 characters) |

This short title or acronym will be used to identify your proposal in this call. It should be no more than 12 characters.

For further information and definitions of the research categories, see Taighde Éireann - Research Ireland Research Categorisation Publication: [here](https://irishresearch.smartsimple.ie/files/318532/f93110/Research_Categorisation.pdf).

**Primary Area:**

Dropdown list of research disciplines/categories

**Discipline:**

Dropdown list of disciplines within the chosen primary area/discipline

**Keywords describing proposed research (<10 words)**

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| (max 10 words) |

We would recommend that you use keywords to describe the technology, science, sector, content or nature of result and potential uses of your result. (Tip: put yourself in the shoes of fellow researchers. Which keywords would you search for to find a project/finding like yours?)

**Lay Proposal Abstract**

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| (max 100 words) |

The lay abstract should provide a clear understanding of the objectives of the proposal and how they will be achieved. Please be advised that the lay abstract will be used by Taighde Éireann - Research Ireland for dissemination purposes and therefore please be mindful to use accessible language to engage all audiences. It will be used as the short description of the proposal in the assessment process. It must not contain confidential information.  
  
Confidential information is personal data including, but not limited to: email address, date of birth, personal details of other participants, nationality. See: [Research Ireland Privacy Notice here](https://www.researchireland.ie/privacy-policy/)

**Has a Steering Group or Advisory Committee for this project been identified?**

Yes

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| Please provide details (max 300 words) |

No

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| Are there plans to develop a Steering Group or Advisory Committee? Please provide details. (max 300 words) |

**If you selected ‘Strand 1a’ under ‘Strand being applied for’**

**How is your proposal relevant to the aims of Strand 1a: Engaging Civic Society?**

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| (max 500 words) |

**Name of the proposed civic society partner for Strand 1a applications**

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| (max 15 words) |

**CHY number of the civic society partner for Strand 1a applications**

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**How will the civic society partner for Strand 1a applications be incorporated into the project?**

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| (max 250 words) |

**Signed and scanned endorsement form of civic society partner for Strand 1a applications**

To be uploaded as one single PDF document. The Strand 1a Civic Society Partner endorsement template is available [here](https://www.researchireland.ie/funding/new-foundations/).

**If you selected ‘Strand 1c’ under ‘Strand being applied for’**

**How is your proposal relevant to the aims of ‘Strand 1c: Interdisciplinary Research Networking Awards’. Can you please outline how your research will tackle societal challenges, and how the research relies upon interdisciplinary knowledge and methodologies.**

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| 500 words max |

**If you selected ‘Strand 4b’ under ‘Strand being applied for’**

**How is your proposal relevant to Strand 4b: Education for Global Citizenship and Sustainable Development New Foundations Awards in partnership with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Irish Aid), the Department of Education and Youth, and the Department of Children, Disability, and Equality?**

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**If you selected ‘Strand 10’ under ‘Strand being applied for’**

**How is your proposal relevant to Strand 10 - Exploring Policing and Community Safety New Foundations Award in partnership with the Policing and Community Authority?**

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| (max 500 words) |

**If you selected ‘Strand 11’ under ‘Strand being applied for’**

**How is your proposal relevant to Strand 11 - Valuing Volunteering, in partnership with the Department of Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht (max €25,000)?**

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| (max 500 words) |

**If you selected ‘Strand 15’ under ‘Strand being applied for’**

**How is your proposal relevant to Strand 15: Social Enterprise Impact, Green Transition and Legal Form, New Foundations Award with the Department of Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht (max €20,000)?**

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| (max 500 words) |

**If you selected ‘Strand 17’ under ‘Strand being applied for’**

**How is your proposal relevant to Strand 17 - The Heritage Council New Foundations Award, in partnership with the Heritage Council (max €10,000)?**

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**If you selected ‘Strand 18’ under ‘Strand being applied for’**

**How is your proposal related to the aims of Strand 18: Fostering democratic engagement amongst communities experiencing barriers and disengagement, in partnership with The Electoral Commission (An Coimisiún Toghcháin)?**

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| (max 500 words) |

**Name of the proposed civic society partner for Strand 18 applications**

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| (max 15 words) |

**CHY number of the civic society partner for Strand 18 applications**

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| (max 10 characters) |

**How will the civic society partner for Strand 18 applications be incorporated into the project?**

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| (max 250 words) |

**Signed and scanned endorsement form of civic society partner for Strand 18 applications**

To be uploaded as one single PDF document. The Strand 1a Civic Society Partner endorsement template is available [here](https://www.researchireland.ie/funding/new-foundations/).

**PROJECT DETAILS**

**Detailed Proposal Description**

This detailed proposal description should include a clear description of the proposal implementation plan; timeline; and project partner’s involvement in the project.

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| (max 1,000 words) |

**Identify any project partners**

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**Aims and Objectives**

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| (max 100 words) |

**Expected Outputs and Outcomes**

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| (max 100 words) |

**Expected Impact**

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The potential impacts and benefits of the proposal. The outputs are clearly identified as the planned activities based on the allocation of resources. Outcomes are the anticipated short-term results of the research project and its outputs. Please see The Campus Engage guide ['Engaged Research Planning for Impact’](http://www.campusengage.ie/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Campus_Engage_Impact_Framework_May_2018_Web.pdf).

**References**

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| (max 300 words) |

Use this section to list references that you may have cited in your proposal description, if necessary.

**If you selected ‘Strand 1c’ under ‘Strand being applied for’**

**Name the Co-PI**

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**Co-PI HEI/RPO**

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**Letter of Endorsement from Co-PIs Host Institution**

**ETHICAL STATEMENT**

**Does your proposed project require ethical approval?**

Yes/No

Where a grant recipient research proposal requires approval by the Host Institution Ethics Committee or equivalent, written evidence of such ethical approval is required by Taighde Éireann-Research Ireland within three months of the commencement date of the grant.  
  
Applicants are advised to consult the Guidance for Applicants on Ethical and Scientific Issues (see New Foundations 2025 Call Document) before completing the ethics self-assessment.

**Please provide details of the ethical implications and how they will be addressed:**

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**SEX AND GENDER DIMENSION**

In accordance with the [Research Ireland External Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) Strategy](https://www.sfi.ie/funding/sfi-policies-and-guidance/gender/), all applicants must complete a statement articulating the consideration of biological sex and/or social gender variables in their research programme.

Please consult the [Guidance for Applicants on Ethical and Scientific Issues](https://www.sfi.ie/funding/sfi-policies-and-guidance/ethical-and-scientific-issues/) for resources on how to address the sex and/or gender dimension of research in your grant.  
Do not include information on how you have addressed gender equality, diversity, and inclusion in your research team/environment; this should be addressed in the body of the proposal, as appropriate.  
  
To complete this section, please consider the following questions:

* Is sex as a biological variable taken into account in the research design, methods, analysis and interpretation, and/or dissemination of findings?
* Is gender as a socio-cultural factor taken into account in the research design, methods, analysis and interpretation, and/or dissemination of findings?

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**PROJECT BUDGET**

Please ensure that the total amount requested is correct. Changes will not be accepted after submission. Please ensure that you have not requested more than the maximum amount available for your chosen strand (see maximum per strand below).

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**Eligible costs:**

* Travel
* Materials and Consumables (maximum of 1,000)
* Training
* Dissemination
* Staff
* Other
* Total

**OUTPUTS**

**Applicant Research Outputs, including Publications:**

In the following boxes, please provide information for up to 5 selected research outputs, which may include publications. This selection may be a list of the applicant's most recent outputs or a selection of the outputs that are most relevant to the aims of the selected New Foundations Strand.  
  
Research Ireland is a signatory of the San Francisco Declaration on Research Assessment (DORA) and, as such, is aligning its review and evaluation processes with DORA principles.  Research Ireland has reinforced its commitment to the core principles by joining DORA as a member. To this end, all types of research output are recognised, and Research Ireland is committed to assessing the quality and impact of research through means other than journal-based indicators/metrics and research performance-based indicators/metrics such as impact factors and H-index. In the spirit of supporting open research and as a signatory to Ireland’s National Action Plan for Open Research 2022-2030 and a signatory of Plan S, Research Ireland will also consider a commitment to making data and other types of research open and accessible. To complement these activities and further reinforce Research Ireland’s commitment to the overarching objectives of the Narrative CV, Research Ireland is a signatory to the Agreement on Reforming Research Assessment and is a member of the Coalition for Advancing Research Assessment (CoARA).

**Output Type**

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**Relevance/significance of the output**

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Please provide a summary of other relevant research-related achievements to date. This can include but is not limited to previous awards won, conferences organised, contributions to teaching & learning, public-engagement activities, etc.

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| (max 500 words) |

**PLEASE DO NOT INCLUDE YOUR NAME, COLLABORATORS NAMES, GENDER or SPECIAL CATEGORY DATA. Taighde Éireann - Research Ireland will never request you to disclose Special Category Data, as defined under Article 9 of the GDPR including health-related information.**

**APPLICANT DECLARATIONS**

**Would you like Taighde Éireann - Research Ireland to make your application available to other Funding Agencies and/or Enterprise Partners for funding consideration?**

Yes/No

**I confirm that the information supplied in this application is correct (NOTE: Should it become apparent that any of the information provided in the application is inaccurate or is not verifiable with appropriate documentation, it will result in the application automatically being deemed ineligible)**

* I Agree

**I hereby declare that the above particulars are correct and understand that the circulated Taighde Éireann - Research Ireland ‘Terms & Conditions’ apply. I accept that failure to abide by the ‘Terms and Conditions’ may disqualify me from this Scheme. I also authorise Taighde Éireann - Research Ireland to verify, if necessary, any of the information supplied in this application.**

Note: Please refer to the Call Document and General Terms and Conditions on the Taighde Éireann - Research Ireland website.

* I Agree

**I agree that if I disclose Special Category Personal Data, I give explicit consent for this data to be processed and stored by Taighde Éireann - Research Ireland with the Taighde Éireann - Research Ireland Data Protection Notice and Retention Policy.**

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* I Agree