

**This document compiles ALL answers to clarification questions received through our email [Kenya@ukpact.co.uk](mailto:Kenya@ukpact.co.uk) in relation to the live Energy sector call for proposal.**

### Project-specific questions relating to Thematic Areas: Clean Cooking, Integrated National Energy Planning & Off-grid solutions

<p>Geographic target areas were mentioned in project 3 - Are these the only landscapes where projects will be supported under all 5 projects?</p> <p>Is it possible to add another County, say Homabay County? It is among the counties that have not CEP but very promising.</p>	<p>We do welcome proposal in other counties provided there is a clear link to the requirements of the terms of reference with justification on how the new county has high mitigation potential, provide good value for money and the initiatives proposed are transformative.</p>
<p>Will the County Governments be considered as key institutions for capacity building on off-grid and mini grids</p>	<p>Yes, County Governments are potential key beneficiaries and any other key institutions under the Ministry of Energy.</p>
<p>Could you please elaborate on what technical assistance means?</p>	<p>Technical assistance means providing technical expertise to the targeted beneficiaries as per the terms of reference. This includes but not limited to strengthen implementation capacity, capacity building to enhance skills and knowledge, provide technical inputs and expert opinion on policy, capability to conduct feasibility studies and research to inform decision makers, development and application of new tools and technologies.</p>
<p>Can ideas that revolve around green hydrogen fall under integrated national energy planning?</p> <p>Would the project consider metering of electric cooking devices for data collection, community education/demonstrations?</p> <p>Is it allowable for such a call be responded to by institution that would like to leverage on energy transition to support some of their nature-based solution</p>	<p>Your proposal must be responding to a specific demand as per the terms of reference shared along with this CFP.</p> <p>Each of these projects has a number of specific expected outputs and interventions. We welcome creativity, expansion and additional suggestions from the market, but ask that applicants ensure that their applications cover the stated interventions as a minimum to ensure eligibility of their proposals.</p>
<p>Would institutional cooking solutions be eligible? Or only focused on domestic cooking?</p>	<p>Yes, institutional cooking solutions will be eligible.</p>
<p>Are NbS Projects encouraged or (as i understand it) this is very Energy Focused and not NbS?</p>	<p>This is an energy focused call. The NbS call will be launched early next year.</p> <p>Kindly check updates here: <a href="https://www.ukpact.co.uk/country-programme/kenya">https://www.ukpact.co.uk/country-programme/kenya</a></p>

<p>The off-grid energy solutions highlighted in the TOR (background section) included solar home systems and mini-grids. Are these solutions a minimum requirement? Is there a preferred or priority technology scope? Are there ineligible off-grid energy solutions?</p>	<p>Solar home systems and mini-grids have simply been mentioned as illustrative options, and there are no ineligible off-grid energy solutions for consideration. However, solutions that can be feasibly replicated and scaled up are preferred, as part of sustainability and long-term impact outlook for the proposed interventions.</p>
<p>On Entrepreneurship, the key activities in the TOR refer to clean energy/renewable energy technologies. In this context, is there a priority category or specific definition of entrepreneurship? For instance, does this include technicians, installers, and sales agents formally employed by the technology companies? Does this include technology users who are also using the technologies to enhance economic activities?</p>	<p>Entrepreneurship within the framework of UK PACT is considered to encompass all activities and actors along the value chain of the clean energy sector, as well as the application of clean energy technologies for income generation. Therefore, this includes technology companies, and all the people engaged in their operations e.g., innovators, technicians, installers, sales agents and customers / end users.</p>
<p>Could you please clarify the flexibility in the project scope for applicants? If an applicant applies for the full scope of the project, are they allowed to focus on specific elements, or are they encouraged to incorporate additional relevant aspects that may impact the project area?</p>	<p>At a minimum, your proposal must be responding to the specific areas outlines in the Terms of Reference. We welcome creativity, expansion and additional suggestions from the market, but ask that applicants ensure that their applications cover the stated interventions as a minimum to ensure eligibility of their proposals.</p>
<p>Can the applicants select which 5 counties they are proposing for CEP development, or must they include (all or some of) the four counties mentioned in the webinar (Siaya, Tharaka Nithi, Uasin Githu Marsabit)?</p> <p>Are the implementation strategies, resource mobilisation plans and investment prospectus outputs only for additional counties, not linked to the 5 which will be supported to finalize CEPs?</p> <p>Do the outputs in (2) have to focus on the six counties mentioned in the webinar (Meru, Kericho, Kajiado, Nakuru, Machakos, Bomet)? And are we expected to produce the outputs for all these counties or a selection.</p>	<p>Applicants are free to propose any target counties for CEP development, with justification of their viability for this activity, and an illustration of county government commitment to take up the planning process and implementation thereafter. There should be a clear link to the requirements of the terms of reference with justification on how the new county has high mitigation potential and provide good value for money.</p> <p>The implementation strategies, resource mobilisation plans and investment prospectus can be for the same counties proposed for CEP development, or for other counties that already have complete CEPs in place. Rationale for selection of counties is required and should include an illustration of county government commitment to take up the development processes and implementation.</p> <p>Applicants are free to propose any target counties with justification of their viability for this activity, and an illustration of county government commitment to take up the planning process and implementation thereafter.</p> <p>It is expected that the outputs will focus on the main aims and objective of the project. While not all outputs have to be included, preference will be given to proposals that demonstrate coherent outputs that are achievable and capable of contributing to the realisation of tangible outcomes and impact as envisioned in the Terms of Reference.</p> <p>Please refer to our Theory of Change document <a href="#">here</a> to align project outputs with the expected outcomes and impact for the specific project.</p>

<p>If the proposed methodology could also support outputs under Project 2, should we mention this?</p>	<p>Yes, applicants may mention methodologies that could support outputs under a different project, especially if there is a high potential for synergy. There will be an opportunity to refine and clarify proposed approaches during the co-creation and inception phases of the project.</p>
<p><b>Project 1</b></p> <p>In line with Project 1 of your call, Enhancing local manufacturing and energy crop cultivation for clean cooking supply chains, it is unclear whether you will be supporting organizations such as Giraffe Bioenergy to provide technical assistance and capacity-building to support clean energy transition to the government and partners or if you would be supporting such organizations to strengthen their own capacity as local manufacturers in the clean cooking sector to design, produce, and meet quality standards for clean cooking to meet both domestic and international market demands.</p>	<p>Support for projects under this theme is expected to focus on strengthening the capacity of local manufacturers in the clean cooking sector in line with government ambitions as set out in the Kenya National Clean Transition Strategy (KNCTS) and other related policies and strategies.</p>
<p><b>Project 3</b></p> <p>Please clarify on the 5 county names for which county energy plans have to be developed.</p>	<p>Applicants are free to propose any target counties for CEP development, with justification of their viability for this activity, and an illustration of county government commitment to take up the planning process and implementation thereafter. There should be a clear link to the requirements of the terms of reference with justification on how the new county has high mitigation potential and provide good value for money.</p>
<p><b>Project 3</b></p> <p>Kenya national IEP framework details the county energy plan contents. Please clarify whether the resources assessments to be done and data to be collected shall be facilitated by MoE and other energy service providers as mentioned in the framework. We understand that the resource assessment briefs provided by MoE alone is sufficient to inform the relevant write ups in county energy plans. Please confirm.</p>	<p>The INEP framework outlines the parameters for resource assessments in Chapter 2 of the County Energy Plan (CEP). The consultant is expected to take the lead in collecting all necessary data to meet the requirements of this chapter including data from County Governments and relevant stakeholders. Additionally, the consultant should collaborate closely with the Ministry of Energy and Petroleum (MoEP) to access any information that falls under the National Government's purview.</p>
<p>Energy resource assessment if to be done by the consultant shall not be mandatorily undertaken through any proprietary tools/software. Any national/county level exercise done and available with stakeholders can be used. Please confirm.</p>	<p>The resource assessment will require a hybrid approach, considering the variety of resources that need to be evaluated. While proprietary tools or software are not mandatory, the consultant is encouraged to leverage available national and/or county-level data and exercises conducted by stakeholders to complement the assessment process</p>

<p><b>Project 4</b></p> <p>Will the call explore partnerships with other projects implemented in targeted Geographical areas, i.e., Kosap?</p>	<p>UK PACT is cognizant of work being carried out in the Energy sector by government and other development partners. Applicants are expected to demonstrate how their proposed interventions fit into the larger landscape of projects and provide additional benefits rather than duplicate efforts, with synergies encouraged where possible.</p>
<p><b>Project 4</b></p> <p>Can we target beneficiaries already working in ODA projects in the area? If yes, What methodology will be used to discount the attribution of results?</p>	<p>Proposed interventions can target areas with other ODA live projects, provided they have strong demonstrated value addition in terms of outcomes, rather than replicating ongoing work. For programme level indicators, UK PACT follows the International Climate Finance guidance on additionality and attribution: <a href="https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1139387/Supplementary-Guidance-to-ICF-Results-Methodology-Notes-Additionality-and-Attribution.pdf">https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1139387/Supplementary-Guidance-to-ICF-Results-Methodology-Notes-Additionality-and-Attribution.pdf</a>. Note that for TA KPIs a contribution approach is used rather than trying to calculate attribution.</p>
<p><b>Project 4</b></p> <p>Of the Underserved counties, which core counties are the donors keen on?</p>	<p>Applicants are free to propose any target counties for this intervention, with justification of their viability for this activity, and an illustration of county government commitment to take up the planning process and implementation thereafter. There should be a clear link to the requirements of the terms of reference with justification on how the new county has high mitigation potential and provide good value for money.</p>
<p><b>Project 4</b></p> <p>The project targets last-mile entrepreneurs in marginalized communities. Will they be expected to demonstrate the capacity to sell renewable energy products and report products sold during the period scope.</p>	<p>This will depend on the proposed success indicators for the project. The indicators proposed to monitor and measure progress against each of the output, intermediate outcome, outcome and impact results may include capacity to sell or finance leveraged to scale their businesses.</p> <p>During the co-creation phase, these indicators may be refined to ensure they align with the UK PACT results framework.</p>
<p><b>Project 4</b></p> <p>How will beneficiaries (e.g., women, youth, persons with disabilities) be identified and selected? Is this left for the applicant to choose? And the minimum number of beneficiaries per target group.</p>	<p>Identification and number of beneficiaries is to be determined by applicants. It is expected that this will be representative, taking into account gender, age and disability status, and will present value for money in terms of the scope of intervention against the number of beneficiaries reached.</p>
<p><b>Project 4</b></p> <p>How will the workshops and training sessions be structured (duration, frequency, delivery method)? Is this left for the applicant to decide?</p>	<p>Structuring of workshops and training sessions is to be determined by applicants. It is important that the proposed activities present value for money in terms of the scope and anticipated outcomes as outlined in the terms of reference.</p>

<p><b>Project 4</b></p> <p>Are there specific partners identified for developing or delivering the training curriculum and the standards to be followed, i.e., NITA Approvals, Engineering Board of Kenya, EPRA regulations on technicians licensing?</p>	<p>Identification and engagement with partners related to the training curriculum is determined by applicants.</p>
<p><b>Project 4</b></p> <p>What role will local governments, NGOs, and private sector actors play in the project?</p>	<p>The local governments are key our counterparts in project delivery. Counterparts play a critical role in project implementation, often serving as local champions who bring essential context, insights, and connections. They work alongside the project teams to achieve shared goals, such as policy development, capacity building, skills enhanced, etc. ensuring that projects are effectively adapted to local conditions and needs.</p> <p>NGO's and Private Sector actors are our key stakeholders. They can include those who are directly involved, those who can influence the outputs and outcomes, and those who are impacted by the results of the project. Effective stakeholder engagement involves identifying, prioritizing, and engaging with these groups to ensure that their views are considered in decision-making processes.</p>
<p><b>Project 4</b></p> <p>Are there any partnerships with financial institutions to provide micro-loans or grants? Or is AECF expected to leverage its network to achieve the linkages?</p>	<p>Applicants are encouraged to leverage their networks to avail linkages with financial institutions for provision of financing to project target beneficiaries.</p>
<p><b>Project 4</b></p> <p>What metrics will be used to evaluate success (e.g., energy adoption rates, number of jobs created due to business growth)?</p>	<p>The project will be evaluated against the proposed relevant performance indicators. The indicators proposed to monitor and measure progress against each of the output, intermediate outcome, outcome and impact results may include energy adoption rates, number of jobs created etc.</p> <p>During the co-creation phase, these indicators may be refined to ensure they align with the UK PACT results framework.</p>
<p><b>Project 5</b></p> <p>As we know that Project 5: Accelerating Rural and Urban electrification with innovative energy technologies has two components i.e, Component-1: National Government Support and Component -2: County and community level support, seeking clarification on following points: Whether the firm can submit two separate proposals for both the said components? OR Firm has to submit a single proposal including two stages, one for business model development and second to extend the support to county and community in baseline and capacity building/ knowledge transfer.</p>	<p>We expect a single proposal for Project 5 covering both components.</p>

<p><b>Project 5</b></p> <p>Please indicate if the program has any preferred/ targeted counties/ communities for implementation of Project 5, if so, please share the list for further strategies our planning in proposal.</p>	<p>Applicants are free to propose any target counties for this intervention, with justification of their viability for this activity, and an illustration of county government commitment to take up the planning process and implementation thereafter. There should be a clear link to the requirements of the terms of reference with justification on how the new county has high mitigation potential and provide good value for money.</p>
<p><b>Project 5</b></p> <p>We understand that local country / community / government department shall be responsible for inviting the participants to the proposed workshops, considering their local geographical presence. Please clarify whether our understanding is correct? If not, please provide suitable clarification.</p>	<p>Identification, engagement and invitation to workshop participation is the responsibility of the implementing partner. We expect the IP to work collaboratively with relevant counterparts and key stakeholders.</p>
<p><b>Project 5</b></p> <p>Please clarify whether the consultant/ project team would be required to design the Feed-in-Tariff (FiT) for all such off-grid project components also please clarify whether assistance of consultant is also required towards formulating the tariff regulations, which will thereby result in designing and implementing of FiT.</p>	<p>The responsibility for designing the Feed-in-Tariff (FiT) system for off-grid project components primarily rests with the Ministry of Energy, typically carried out upon recommendation from the relevant agencies, ie the Energy and Petroleum Regulatory Authority (EPRA). The Ministry makes regulations necessary for administering and implementing the FiT system. These regulations may include technical and operational requirements for grid connection, the duration of FiT approval, the tariff rates, and priority purchasing by distribution licensees. This project involves working closely with the Ministry of Energy and EPRA to ensure compliance with any established guidelines, capacity building and/or to propose recommendations, especially if there are particular site-specific considerations and propose a review of the existing policies and regulations through stakeholder engagement.</p>
<p><b>Project 5</b></p> <p>Whether there will be any limitation on the number of participants to be considered/ counted, if so, what would be the minimum number?</p>	<p>There is no limitation on the number of participants (assuming participants for a workshop). It is important that the participants for workshops are critical and will provide rich insights into the project activities. The workshop cost should also represent value for money.</p>
<p><b>Project 5</b></p> <p>We understand that there is no limitation on number of resources including their qualification and experience to be proposed in each project. But we equally understand that resources should be compatible with qualification and experience to implement the project successful on ground. Please clarify whether our understanding is correct? If not please indicate if you have any preferred number of experts, their qualification and years of experience and any other details?</p>	<p>The preferred number of experts, their qualification and years of experience will be determined by the applicant.</p> <p>Value for money is a large part of the assessment criteria for UK PACT projects. There will be an expectation for organisations to be transparent in the way they have constructed budgets and to be able to demonstrate how they are offering good value for money. UK PACT will expect that day rates are benchmarked and that this benchmarking can be evidenced to determine that day rates are in line with market rates and are competitive. UK PACT also carries out benchmarking exercises internally to assess whether the rates included for personnel are reasonable and offer good value for money for a particular organisation type, sector or location.</p>

<p><b>Project 5</b></p> <p>We understand that business model development is pertaining to the market business development, which will enable communities to have wider, economical and sustainable market linkages? Please clarify whether our understanding is correct? If not, please provide further clarification.</p>	<p>Business model development is wide (Value proposition, identifying customer base, cost structure and market business development can be part of the proposed training.</p> <p>We expect the consultants to develop a comprehensive methodology for achieving key aspects of business model development, ensuring that the training program equips participants with the practical tools and knowledge to successfully establish and grow their renewable energy enterprises</p>
<p>We are currently finalising a proposal for Project 2: Accelerating clean cooking adoption: A data-driven approach and capacity building. As part of the project, key activities have been outlined under the three phases, and we would be grateful for clarification on whether proposed project proposals are required to include all the listed activities or if these activities are intended as guidelines that can be adjusted according to an organization's specific focus areas.</p>	<p>At a minimum, your proposal must be responding to the specific areas outlines in the Terms of Reference. We welcome creativity, expansion and additional suggestions from the market, but ask that applicants ensure that their applications cover the stated interventions as a minimum to ensure eligibility of their proposals</p> <p>During the co-creation phase, these indicators may be refined to ensure they align with the UK PACT results framework.</p>
<p><b>Eligibility criteria</b></p>	
<p>Are US based academic institutions with regional office in Kenya allowed to apply for this funding?</p> <p>Are UN bodies working in Kenya eligible to apply?</p> <p>Can a global organization operating locally apply or only local organizations?</p> <p>Can private sector organisations only be included on proposals led by non-for-profits?</p> <p>Some Universities e.g. University of Nairobi, are research institutions. Do we qualify to apply?</p> <p>For eligibility: How about national research institutions?</p> <p>Can a university lead the project?</p> <p>Are CBOs or charitable trusts qualify?</p>	<p>Yes.</p> <p>We invite all organisations with relevant experience in delivering technical assistance and capacity-building projects. This could be think-tanks, consultancies, academic institutions, community organisations, NGOs, professional associations, or any similar organisations that have the knowledge, skills and experience to deliver an eligible project.</p> <p>While applicants can be registered outside Kenya, they must demonstrate a strong understanding of Kenya priorities and delivery context, as well as bringing relevant expertise required. We encourage consortia to include at least one local partner. Additional consideration will be given to consortia which include local organisations, women-owned entities, youth-owned entities, and entities owned by people with disabilities</p> <p>Government agencies, institutions, parastatals and/ or departments are not eligible to apply either as a lead organisation, or as a partner organisation within a consortium but can be listed as a beneficiary of the project.</p> <p>For-profit organisations can participate, either as the lead or through consortium. However, profit is not an eligible cost in UK PACT budgets, either as a direct cost or within overheads. Proposals must be submitted on a not-for profit basis.</p>
<p>Are funds eligible to be used as sub-grants/hybrid loans to enterprises to grow their businesses? As part of</p>	<p>No, Lead partners of consortia can have downstream partners that are essentially viewed as sub-grantees. However, they should be contributing to the project activities and deliverables as set out in the work plan and associated budget.</p>



<p>a broader program (Project 4)? If yes – what kind of expenses would be eligible for the supported entrepreneurs?</p>	<p>We welcome creativity, innovation, expansion and additional suggestions from the market, but ask that applicants ensure that their applications cover the stated interventions as a minimum to ensure eligibility of their proposals.</p>
<p>Do you fund salaries of project staff during project period?</p>	<p>UK PACT funding cannot be used to fund profit. Some of the eligible cost include:</p> <p>Consultancy and/or staff time required to deliver activities. Personnel costs as described below as an example of the not-for-profit requirement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Daily rates for personnel should be the actual cost to the business of employing the personnel (cost to company), with no overheads, profit or contingency. For internal staff or fixed term staff this might include salary remuneration and any benefits including superannuation (pension) and taxes.</li> <li>• For sub-contractors, the daily fee rate will be the exact total invoiced to your organisation that is chargeable to the project.</li> <li>• Due to the vast variety of types of organisations that will be applying to UK PACT, we have provided indicative ranges for personnel rates with caps on the upper limit. The ranges can be found on the 'Eligible Costs' tab in the Budget and Workplan template.</li> </ul> <p>The grant makes allowance for organisational overheads, which are costed on a separate tab in the UK PACT Budget and Workplan template provided. The amount of overhead that can be funded by UK PACT should be an 'appropriate apportionment' and is calculated as the percentage of core costs necessary to support your organisation's ongoing business or activities. This is described in detail in the Applicant Handbook.</p> <p>Reasonable travel and subsistence costs for receipted actual expenditures only.</p> <p>Other costs directly related to project activities and outputs (workshops, seminars, production of reports, translation etc.)</p> <p><b>UK PACT does not fund infrastructure, construction or capital expenditure (CAPEX) projects. We cannot award funding for tangible assets or capex e.g. Laptops, cars, machinery, solar panels</b></p> <p>As a prospective grantee on a UK government funded programme, we are obliged to carry out due diligence on your organisation and those that control the organisation. Applicants who ultimately do not pass the due diligence process will not be awarded a grant.</p>
<p>Is there any priority for related projects that have reached a pre-feasibility stage already?</p>	<p>Yes, UK PACT does support development and piloting or application of new tools, technologies and practices. Even so, your proposal must be responding to a specific demand as per the terms of reference shared along with this CfP.</p>
<p>Can multiple individuals at the same organisation apply for the same project?</p>	<p>You can apply to multiple projects but cannot apply more than once to the same project.</p> <p>Organisations may apply to multiple projects, whether as a lead or a consortium member.</p> <p>Consortium partners and subcontractors may form part of multiple proposals to the same project.</p>
<p>Can a new non-for-profit include in the budget for capacity building for the institution and its partners (beneficiaries e.g. youth)</p>	<p>No, you need to have the institutional capacity to deliver the technical assistance to key beneficiaries as per the terms of reference.</p>
<p>Can you provide a link to the partner eligibility criteria?</p>	<p>We do not have a partner eligible criterion. The lead partner and consortium partners must be able to meet minimum programme delivery requirements as per the applicant handbook.</p> <p>Locally led consortia are encouraged, and we encourage that all consortia have at least one local partner.</p>
<p>I would like to know if it is permissible to submit multiple applications covering different</p>	<p>You can apply to multiple projects but cannot apply more than once to the same project.</p>



<p>topics or sectors, each in partnership with different organizations.</p> <p>For example, could we apply twice, for more than one topic, where each application focuses on a distinct sector and involves a unique set of partners?</p>	<p>Applicants may submit proposals for more than one project, noting that each project is distinct, and that each proposal should address only one project. Each proposal will be assessed independently.</p>
<p>For eligibility and consortium requirements, what are the weighting factors across different thematic areas?</p>	<p>Project will be evaluated as per the eligibility checker and how it responds to the strategic priorities outlined in the terms of reference. Where a consortium is proposed, a lead organisation must be nominated. The lead organisation will form the main point of contact for the project and will hold the grant agreement with UK PACT. We will consider the strengths and capability of the consortium partners to meet project deliverables as per the received proposal.</p> <p>We welcome applications from consortia consisting of eligible organisations only.</p>

**Application guidance: proposal, workplan, budget, theory of change, and risk register**

<p>What is the ticket size range?</p>	<p>Project budget could range from £400,000 - £1,500,000 with up to a maximum budget of £500,000 per project per financial year (1<sup>st</sup> April – 31<sup>st</sup> March).</p> <p>Projects stretching over multiple financial years may exceed £500,000 in their total value, however, within the budget, no single financial year should exceed the amount of £500,000. For example, a project running from April 2025-March 2027 would be eligible for up to £1,000,000 in funding; however, the total project budget for April 2025 – March 2026 may not exceed £500,000 (and similarly for the other financial years found within this period).</p>
<p>For trainings that require travelling to different country for skills gaining are they eligible to include flight cost?</p>	<p>Yes, flights cost is eligible cost. Any air travel funded by UK PACT must be economy class by default.</p>
<p>What are the documents that as a NGO should have?</p>	<p>Registration number, compliance documents, audited reports, and adequate policies to meet FCDO and Palladium code of conducts.</p> <p>As a prospective grantee on a UK government funded programme, we are obliged to carry out due diligence on your organisation and those that control the organisation. Applicants who ultimately do not pass the due diligence process will not be awarded a grant.</p>
<p>Question on overhead calculation for UK academic organizations: I notice on the spreadsheet tab "Alt overheads calculation" there is a comment "If you cannot use the methodology below because you are an academic organisation or similar, please contact the UK PACT team at the email address listed in the terms of reference.</p> <p>OK for our University finance team to use their normal method for calculating overheads (TRAC <a href="https://www.trac.ac.uk/about/">https://www.trac.ac.uk/about/</a>), and include the details in the notes section?</p>	<p>Yes, the university can use TRAC to calculate overheads and provide details in the notes sections.</p>

Could you confirm that staff costs should be entered into the Project Budget and Workplan sheet using daily rates?

A daily rate should be included in the budget and workplan template for all proposed project staff. The value of a daily rate should be the actual cost to the business of employing the personnel, with no overheads, profit or contingency.

Please refer to our [Applicant handbook](#) section 3 for more details on designing a UK PACT Country Fund Project.

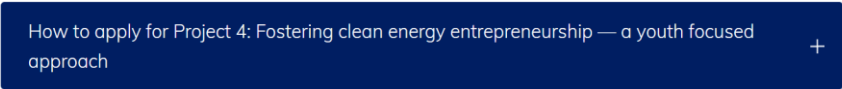
kindly request that you may advise on if there is a standard template for drafting the first submission.

All applications templates can be downloaded from our website [Kenya-UK PACT Call for Proposals: Clean Energy Transition](#).

I would like to apply for an energy Support Grant kindly send me an Application Template.

Each project has the below "How to apply for project x" section where you will find more details about the application process, timelines and templates.

The website mentions the application pack, but I can't find a link to where this can be downloaded from?



I am reaching out to check whether it would be possible to make the forms (Kenya Fund December 2024: Energy (Page 1 of 19)) required ahead to submit the application pack available offline to facilitate the submission process. That would ensure we are able to gather any relevant information ahead of time.

You will need to have completed your application pack which will be the source of the information required to complete the form. The application pack for each project can be found on the "How to apply for project x" section.

Section 2. of the proposal 'intervention area'. It requests we select with an 'X' the area(s) of intervention that best align with our project (image below). But there are no options to put an X next to. Am I right in assuming this section is simply asking the thematic/project area we are applying to (i.e. project 1 or project 2 etc.)?

Under this call for proposal, we have 5 Intervention/Thematic areas below. Please specify which Intervention/Thematic area your project is responding to:

**2. Intervention area**

Select with an X the area(s) of intervention that best align with your project.


1. Project 1-Enhancing local manufacturing and energy crop cultivation for clean cooking supply chains -Thematic area-Clean cooking
2. Project 2-Accelerating clean cooking adoption: A data-driven approach and capacity building -Thematic area-Clean cooking
3. Project 3-Technical Support for Integrated Energy Planning-Thematic area-Integrated national energy planning
4. Project 4-Fostering clean energy entrepreneurship: A youth focused approach-Thematic area-Off-grid solutions
5. Project 5-Accelerating Rural and Urban electrification with innovative energy technologies-Thematic area-Off grid solutions

What qualifies as "exceptional circumstances" for budgets exceeding the stated limit of £500,000 per financial year or £1,500,000 for the entire project duration?

UK PACT is funded by UK taxpayers through the UK's Official Development Assistance (ODA) budget and there is therefore an extremely strong focus on value for money. Proposals will be assessed on the extent to which there are strong plans in place to deliver the project results efficiently, effectively and equitably.

Are there any restrictions on subcontracting to third parties?

Subcontractors need to meet minimum Due Diligence Requirements. Refer to the Applicants handbook for more information.

<p>Can the grant be used for goods purchase to subsidise the cost of the assets for entrepreneurs?</p> <p>Are there specific guidelines on tangible assets or capital expenditure allowed, and does this include equipment leasing?</p>	<p>This is a technical assistance programme and does not invest in capital expenditure. Therefore, these costs are ineligible.</p> <p>Please refer to the <a href="#">Applicants handbook here</a> for more information on ineligible cost.</p>
<p>Can the grant be used to fund WHH to deliver support services for entrepreneurs and monitoring, evaluation and learning activities?</p>	<p>Yes, this cost is eligible.</p>
<p>How often will progress reports be required, and what format should they follow?</p>	<p>During delivery, reporting on and submitting of evidence for completed/ achieved outputs, intermediate outcomes and outcomes will be done on a quarterly basis, using the UK PACT templates to be provided at the inception phase.</p>
<p>What will the Grant disbursement schedule be?</p>	<p>Disbursement is made as per the Disbursement schedule developed during co-creation stage. The Disbursement schedule will be embedded in the grant agreement. Disbursements will be made in GBP (£). Applicants should ensure they are able to receive payment in GBP.</p>
<p>I am assisting a team at the University of Oxford in an application to the Clean energy transition call. As an academic institution we are unable to use the methodology provided in the application Project Budget and Workplan template to calculate overheads. Can you please advise on an appropriate alternative method of calculating overheads for academic institutions.</p>	<p>Universities can use TRAC method to calculate overheads and provide details in the note sections</p>
<p>Confirm whether the rates given per resource in “Eligible Cost Guidance” sheet of Budget and workplan is the ceiling limit (man-day rate).</p>	<p>Yes. Due to the vast variety of types of organisations that will be applying to UK PACT, we have provided indicative ranges for personnel rates with caps on the upper limit. The ranges can be found on the 'Eligible Costs' tab in the Budget and Workplan template.</p>
<p>Confirm whether supporting documents to prove the man day rates for proposed resources are to be submitted. Please clarify on the nature of such documents if required.</p>	<p>At the application stage, we will not require any supporting documents to prove daily rates. However, value for money is a large part of the assessment criteria for UK PACT projects. There will be an expectation for organisations to be transparent in the way they have constructed budgets and to be able to demonstrate how they are offering good value for money. UK PACT will expect that day rates are benchmarked and that this benchmarking can be evidenced to determine that day rates are in line with market rates and are competitive. UK PACT also carries out benchmarking exercises internally to assess whether the rates included for personnel are reasonable and offer good value for money for a particular organisation type, sector or location.</p>
<p>Please confirm whether there is a restriction on the number of partners in the consortium.</p>	<p>It is up to the lead organisation to select suitable number of partners in a consortium.</p> <p>Lead organisations will be expected to have appropriate consortium agreements in place with any consortium partners at the start of the project and this will be a key condition for grant signing to proceed. The consortium agreement must detail the requirements and liabilities of the consortium partner(s) and should reflect the terms of the lead organisation’s Grant Agreement with UK PACT</p>

Are there expectations for co-financing or private-sector investment?	Co-financing is welcome but not mandatory for this application. If any co-financing is included in the proposed intervention, it is necessary to be clear on which elements of the activities will be funded by UK PACT.
Will there be a mechanism for monitoring and evaluating the project's impact beyond its initial implementation? Can AECF add a monitoring and evaluation framework?  How long will the post-monitoring period be?	Applicants are encouraged to include a monitoring and evaluation framework in line with the project Theory of Change. UK PACT as a programme makes efforts to continue post-implementation monitoring of outcomes and impact to support learning and programmatic results reporting, including through the commissioning of external evaluations.

### Timelines, communication and contacts

On the possible duration of projects. You mentioned 24 months but the website indicates 36 months. Can you please clarify?	The duration of each project will be up to 24 months, potential project starts date of April/May 2025 and an end date March 2027.
How many projects will be selected and funded? How many awards per project area are you aiming to make?	We are aiming for 4-5 projects, this may change depending on the quality of proposals we receive.
Would a recording of today's webinar be uploaded anywhere else later? Youtube or LinkedIn?	Yes, the recording of the webinar will be available on the UK PACT website here.  <a href="https://www.ukpact.co.uk/country-programme/kenya">https://www.ukpact.co.uk/country-programme/kenya</a>
Any indication regarding the next window for South Africa?  When is the next window for South Africa? Any information on whether you fund regional programmes in Africa?	South Africa opportunities can be accessed here: <a href="https://www.ukpact.co.uk/country-programme/south-africa">https://www.ukpact.co.uk/country-programme/south-africa</a> .  No, we do not have regional funds. We do have specific country funds for Kenya, South Africa and Nigeria.
When the Call will be released?	11 <sup>th</sup> December 2025
Could I also confirm whether projects must start in April 2025? I can see in the Budget template that the financial year column begins April 2025.	All projects are assumed to have a start date in May 2025. Our Financial year starts from 1 <sup>st</sup> April to 31 <sup>st</sup> March which is the period captured in our budgets and financial reports.
It is also requested to kindly grant an extension of at least 20 working days for the submission of proposal.	The deadline for application cannot be extended.

### Consortia and consortium-building

Can consortia have institutions outside the country/continent?	Yes.  While applicants can be registered outside Kenya, they must demonstrate a strong understanding of Kenya priorities and delivery context, as well as bringing relevant expertise required. We encourage consortia to include at least one local partner. Additional consideration will be given to consortia which include local organisations, women-owned entities, youth-owned entities, and entities owned by people with disabilities
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