

**Contract no: IND/CONT/G/21-22/45**

**The British Council:** **THE BRITISH COUNCIL**, incorporated by Royal Charter and registered as a charity (under number 209131 in England & Wales and number SC037733 in Scotland), with its principal office at 1 Redman Place, Stratford, London E20 1JQ operating through its local office at 17, Kasturba Gandhi Marg, New Delhi 110 001, India

**The Recipient:** **Aston University,  
Aston Triangle, Birmingham,  
West Midlands B4 7ET, England, United Kingdom**

**Application ID** **877775303**

**Date:**

This Agreement is made on the date set out above subject to the terms set out in the schedules listed below which both the British Council and the Recipient undertake to observe in the performance of this Agreement.

The British Council shall award the Grant to the Recipient for the purposes of funding the Project described in Schedule 1 on the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

The Recipient acknowledges that, where it will carry out the Project in partnership and/or collaboration with, and will pass some or all of the Grant to, any other organisation(s) (such organisation(s) not being a party to this Agreement (“**Sub-Grantee**”)), it will ensure that it enters into formal, legally binding agreements with each Sub-Contractor on terms which reflect and are no less onerous than the terms of this Agreement and that it shall remain wholly liable and responsible for all acts and omissions (howsoever arising) of each Sub-Grantee.

### Schedules

<b>Schedule 1</b>	Special Terms
<b>Schedule 2</b>	Project Proposal
<b>Schedule 3</b>	Standard Terms
<b>Schedule 4</b>	Project Summary Budget
<b>Schedule 5</b>	Guidelines for Applicants
<b>Schedule 6</b>	Reporting Requirements
<b>Schedule 7</b>	Bank Details form
<b>Schedule 8</b>	Brand Identity Guidelines

This Agreement shall only become binding on the British Council upon its signature by an authorised signatory of the British Council subsequent to signature by or on behalf of the Recipient.

**IN WITNESS** whereof the parties or their duly authorised representatives have entered into this Agreement on the date set out above.

**Signed by the duly authorised representative of THE BRITISH COUNCIL**

Name:	Rowan Kennedy	Signature:	
Position:	Deputy Director, India	Date:	

**Signed by the duly authorised representative of Aston University**

Name:		Signature:	
Position:		Date:	

## Schedule 1

### Special Terms

Terms defined in this Schedule 1 shall have the same meanings when used throughout this Agreement.

In the event of any conflict between the terms set out in the various Schedules, the Schedules shall prevail in the order in which they appear in the Agreement.

For the purposes of the Project and the Grant, the terms of this Agreement shall prevail over any other terms and conditions issued by the British Council (whether on a purchase order or otherwise).

#### **1 The Project**

- 1.1 The British Council awards the Grant for the purposes of the Going Global Partnerships, Collaborative Grant between the **Aston University, UK and Gandhi Institute of Technology and Management, India** more fully described in the Project Proposal (Schedule 2). The Project Title is **“Pilot for Masters in Circular Economy”** (the **“Project”**).
- 1.2 The Recipient will carry out the Project in collaboration with **Gandhi Institute of Technology and Management, Pandit Deendayal Energy University, Gandhinagar, K J Somaiya Institute of Management, Mumbai, Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur and Jadavpur University, Kolkata, India** to whom the recipient will pass some or all of the grant under a separate agreement, for the purpose of implementing the Project, as detailed in the Project Proposal (Schedule 2).
- 1.3 The Recipient will deliver the Project and manage the Grant, including where relevant, disbursing the Grant to Sub-Grantees in accordance with the Project Proposal detailed in Schedule 2 of this Agreement.

#### **2 Commencement and Duration**

- 2.1 This Agreement shall come into force on **10 December 2021 and shall continue in full force and effect until 10 March 2023** (the **“Term”**).
- 2.2 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary elsewhere in this Agreement, the British Council shall be entitled to terminate this Agreement by serving not less than 30 days’ written notice on the Recipient.

#### **3 The Grant**

- 3.1 The amount of the grant awarded to the Recipient is **£89,905 (GBP Eighty Nine Thousand Nine Hundred and Five Only)** (the **“Grant”**).
- 3.2 In consideration of the Recipient’s delivery of the Project, the Grant shall be paid by the British Council to the Recipient by BACS transfer in accordance with the payment schedule below, subject to the Recipient’s satisfactory compliance with the terms of this Agreement:

<b>Payment</b>	<b>Amount (GBP)</b>	<b>Key Dates</b>
1	71,924 (80% of the total grant)	In December 2021, on signing of Grant Agreement

2	17,981 (20% of the total grant)	In March 2022, on submission of interim report
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Full Grant to be spend till 31 December 2022

- 3.3 Notwithstanding any other provisions in this Agreement, the Recipient will return any unspent Grant to the British Council within 30 days of the expiry or termination of this Agreement for whatever reason.

#### 4 **Eligibility Criteria**

- 4.1 The Recipient must comply with the eligibility criteria and requirements detailed in Schedule 5 Guidelines for Applicants (“**Eligibility Criteria**”) in order to qualify for the Grant:
- 4.2 The Recipient warrants that it will continue to comply with the Eligibility Criteria throughout the Term.

#### 5 **Funder**

- 5.1 Not applicable

#### 6 **Service of notices**

- 6.1 For the purposes of clause 27 of Schedule 3, notices are to be sent to the following addresses:

To the British Council	To the Recipient
The British Council 17, Kasturba Gandhi Marg, New Delhi 110 001, India	Aston University, Aston Triangle, Birmingham, West Midlands B4 7ET, England
Attention: Rowan Kennedy, Deputy Director, British Council, India	Attention: Office of the General Counsel Legal Representative
<b>Email: <a href="mailto:rowan.kennedy@britishcouncil.in">rowan.kennedy@britishcouncil.in</a></b>	<b>Email: <a href="mailto:ogc@aston.ac.uk">ogc@aston.ac.uk</a></b>

#### 7 **Insurance Requirements**

- 7.1 The Recipient shall take out and maintain during the Term with a reputable insurance company the following cover types with the following indemnity limits:

<b>Insurance Cover</b>	<b>Indemnity Limit</b>
Employer’s liability	£5,000,000 per claim
Public liability	£2,000,000 per occurrence and in the aggregate (annual total of all losses)

Professional indemnity            £2,000,000 per occurrence and in the aggregate (annual total of all losses)

Medical and travel                as needed and as advised by the relevant insurance provider

or such other insurance cover types and indemnity limits as may be agreed between the parties in writing from time to time.

## **8        Locations**

8.1        The Project will be carried out in India and United Kingdom (“**Location**”) or such other locations as may be agreed between the parties in writing from time to time.

## **9        Publicity**

9.1        Where the Recipient is responsible for the preparation of Project materials or materials promoting the Project, in addition to the publicity obligations in clause 12 at Schedule 3 the Recipient shall:

9.1.1        ensure all materials are prepared in accordance with the Brand Identity Guidelines at Schedule 8;

9.1.2        [acknowledge partner organisation as the organisation providing match funding for the Project] Not applicable

9.2        For the avoidance of doubt, the Recipient and the British Council agree that nothing in the Agreement shall prevent the Recipient from publishing the results of the Project in academic publications to ensure knowledge dissemination, provided always that the Recipient acts in accordance with this clause 9 and the Publicity requirements in clause 12 at Schedule 3.

## **10       Safeguarding and Protecting Children and Vulnerable Adults**

10.1        The Recipient warrants that, in relation to all activities in connection with the Project, where any of the Location(s) are in England or Wales, it will comply with all legislation, codes of practice and statutory guidance relevant at any time in such Location(s) to the safeguarding and protection of children and vulnerable adults (including the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child and the Children Act 1989), and with the British Council’s Safeguarding Policy and Adults at Risk Policy, as may be amended from time to time.

10.2        Where the Location(s) is/are outside of England or Wales, the Recipient warrants that, in relation to all activities in connection with the Project, it will comply with all legislation, codes of practice, and statutory guidance relevant at any time in the Location(s) to the safeguarding and protection of children and vulnerable adults, and with the detail and principles of the Children Act 1989 and the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (to the extent that such legislation is not directly applicable in the Location(s)), and with the British Council’s Safeguarding Policy and Adults at Risk Policy, as may be amended from time to time.

- 10.3 The Recipient acknowledges that, for the purposes of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006<sup>1</sup>, and any regulations made thereunder, as amended from time to time (the “**SVGA**”), and where any of the Location(s) are in England or Wales, it is the “**Regulated Activity Provider**” in respect of any “**Regulated Activity**” (both as defined in the SVGA) carried out in connection with the Project and that it will comply in all respects with the SVGA and any regulations or orders made thereunder. Equivalent provisions in equivalent legislation applicable in any Location(s) other than England and Wales shall apply in those Location(s).
- 10.4 The Recipient shall ensure that:
- 10.4.1 it is (and that any individual engaged by it to carry out activities with children, vulnerable adults and/or Regulated Activity in connection with the Project is) subject to a valid enhanced disclosure check undertaken through the UK Disclosure & Barring Service, or the equivalent local check (as set out in clause 10.5 below), including a check against the adults' barred list<sup>2</sup> or the children's barred list<sup>3</sup>, as appropriate; and
- 10.4.2 where applicable, the Recipient shall monitor the level and validity of the checks under this clause 10.4 for each member of the Recipient's Team, Relevant Persons, or other individual engaged by it to carry out activities with children, vulnerable adults and/or Regulated Activity in connection with the Project.
- 10.5 Pursuant to clause 10.4.1 above, equivalent local checks, include, but are not limited to, the ACRO Criminal Records Office, 'International Child Protection Certificate' online criminal records checks and Code of Good Conduct' or any other services as detailed at the following link: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/criminal-records-checks-for-overseas-applicants>.
- 10.6 The Recipient must provide to the British Council, documentary evidence of the relevant disclosure and/or criminal records checks carried out pursuant to this clause in advance of undertaking any activities involving children and/or vulnerable adults in connection with the Project.
- 10.7 The Recipient warrants that at all times during the Term, it is not, and has no reason to believe that any person who is or will be employed or engaged by the Recipient in connection with the Project is, barred from carrying out such employment or engagement.
- 10.8 The Recipient shall immediately notify the British Council of any information that the British Council reasonably requests to enable the British Council to be satisfied that the obligations of this clause 10 have been met.

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<sup>1</sup> “Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006” means the UK Act, the purpose of which is to make provision in connection with the protection of children and vulnerable adults by preventing those deemed unsuitable to work with children and vulnerable adults (adults at risk), from gaining access through work (whether paid or unpaid).

<sup>2</sup> References to the “adults' barred list” means the list maintained by the Disclosure and Barring Service of individuals who are not permitted to work with vulnerable adults in a Regulated Activity if advanced checks reveal information which could potentially make the individual eligible to be on one of the barred list.

<sup>3</sup> References to the “children's barred list”, means the list maintained by the Disclosure and Barring Service of individuals who are not permitted to work in a Regulated Activity with children.

- 10.9 The Recipient shall refer information about any person employed or engaged by it to carry out activities with children, vulnerable adults and/or Regulated Activity in connection with the Project to the UK Disclosure & Barring Service, or the equivalent local service as set out in clause 10.5, where it removes permission for such person to carry out the Regulated Activity (or would or might have, if such person had not otherwise ceased to engage in the Regulated Activity) because, in its opinion, such person has harmed or poses a risk of harm to children and/or vulnerable adults.
- 10.10 The Recipient shall not employ or use the services of any person who is barred from, or whose previous conduct or records indicate that they would not be suitable to carry out activities with children, vulnerable adults and/or Regulated Activity or who may otherwise present a risk to children or vulnerable adults.
- 10.11 The Recipient shall immediately contact the British Council to report any credible suspicions of, or actual incidents of activity related to the Project which contravene the obligations contained in this clause 10.
- 10.12 Pursuant to clause 10.11 above, the Recipient shall cooperate fully with investigations into such events, whether led by British Council, the Funder (if any) and/or their agents or representatives.

## **11 Delay Event**

- 11.1 In the event that either party's operations and/or its ability to fulfil obligations under this Agreement are impacted due to an epidemic or pandemic (including COVID-19 or any subsequent strains thereof), either as a result of:
- 11.1.1 any applicable government implemented advice, rule, order or legislation and/or capacity restrictions; or
  - 11.1.2 a decision or request by the Funder (if any), and/or as a result of the Funder Agreement (if any) being impacted, due to the epidemic or pandemic; or
  - 11.1.3 reasonable measures taken by the British Council, the Recipient and/or the Recipient's Team to protect the health and safety interests of its personnel; or
  - 11.1.4 otherwise;

### **(a "Delay Event")**

the impacted party shall notify the other party of the Delay Event as soon as practicable of the effect this may have upon its obligations hereunder. The parties will negotiate in good faith to vary the Agreement to provide and agree revisions to and/or alternative ways of delivering the activities detailed in the Project Proposal in an appropriate manner. This may include modifications with respect to the Grant, the Project activities and timelines where appropriate.

- 11.2 In the event the parties cannot within a reasonable period agree upon the terms for the continuation of the Project (with or without modification) while the Delay Event continues to have an impact on either party, the British Council may:

- 11.2.1 suspend the Project for 30 days by giving written notice to the Recipient (the “**Suspension Period**”). The Suspension Period may be extended by the British Council for a further 30 days. In the event of such suspension, the British Council shall pay to the Recipient the instalment or element of the Grant that is due as at the start date of the Suspension Period and in respect of which the relevant Project activity has been completed; and/or
- 11.2.2 notwithstanding the provisions of clause 11 at any time, (including, if there has been a Suspension Period as provided in clause 11.2.1 above, during or at the end of that Suspension Period) terminate this Agreement without liability, with immediate effect.

11.3 The British Council shall not be liable for:

- 11.3.1 any of the Grant that would otherwise have been payable; or
- 11.3.2 any other costs incurred by the Recipient

in each case, during the Suspension Period or on termination pursuant to clause 11.2.2 above.

11.4 For the avoidance of doubt, the COVID-19 pandemic and the effects of any variant strain of the COVID-19 virus shall not be considered to be a Force Majeure Event as defined in this Agreement.

## **12 Health and Safety**

12.1 Where the Recipient delivers any face-to-face activities as part of the Project, the Recipient will carry out all appropriate risk assessments and implement all appropriate safety measures, in addition to compliance with all applicable legislation and Government instruction and/or advice in relation to COVID-19.

## **13 Recipient Responsibilities**

13.1 The Recipient shall:

- 13.1.1 use the Grant only for eligible costs detailed in Project Summary Budget at Schedule 4 and Guidelines for Applicants at Schedule 5 and disburse the Grant in accordance with the terms of this Agreement;
- 13.1.2 complete and submit interim and final reports to the British Council in accordance with the Reporting Requirements at Schedule 6. The final report must be submitted to the British Council within 30 days of completion of the Project and shall also include a summary statement of expenses relating to the Grant, together with supporting documentation; failure to submit interim and final reports will result in the recovery of all or part of the Grant;
- 13.1.3 complete British Council monitoring and evaluation surveys, including impact surveys after the end of the Project as outlined in the Reporting Requirements at Schedule 6;



- 13.1.4 comply with the specific guidelines governing the Project provided by the British Council at Schedule 5 of this Agreement and any other reasonable requirements notified to the Recipient from time to time by the British Council and;
- 13.1.5 complete and return the Bank Details Form at Schedule 7 to the British Council upon signature of this Agreement.

## Schedule 2

### Project Proposal

The application form submitted by recipient is the "Project Proposal" which is shared as part of this Grant agreement by the British Council through email.

Below is the detailed budget submitted by the recipient.

<b>Collaboration Grant 2021 Budget Sheet</b>				
<b>Proposal Title</b>				
<b>Partnering Institutions (Please mention name of all Institutions applying for the grant)</b>				
<b>Total value of Grant claimed (in £)</b>		<b>89,905</b>		
<b>Proposal Details</b>				
<b>Sr. No</b>	<b>Budget Heads</b>	<b>Number of Units / pax</b>	<b>Per Unit Cost (in £)</b>	<b>Total (in £)</b>
<b>A</b>	<b>International Travel and Accommodation (For Lead and co-applicants)</b>			
	<i>Maximum 10% of the total budget can be quoted</i>			
	<b>International airfare and accommodation (India to UK) ( include Fare+ Visa fees + Medical insurance + accommodation) (below categories are indicative).</b>			
1	<i>International Fare (Economy Class only) [5 persons will visit for a week to deliver the pilot course]</i>	5	600	3,000
2	<i>Visa Fees [for 5 people]</i>	5	100	500
3	<i>Overseas Medical Insurance for visit duration [for 5 people]</i>	5	25	125
4	<i>Accommodation [ @£50 per day per head for 7 days]</i>	35	50	1,750
5	<i>Local Travel (from nearest airport + field work, if any) [air port to accommodation to and fro]</i>	5	50	250
6	<i>Any other, please specify (subsistences) [ @£30 per day for 5 people for 7 days]</i>	35	30	1,050
	<b>Total</b>			<b>6,675</b>
	<b>International airfare and accommodation (UK to India) ( include Fare+ Visa fees + Medical insurance + accommodation) (below categories are indicative)</b>			
1	<i>International Fare (Economy Class only) [2 persons will visit for 7 days]</i>	2	600	1,200
2	<i>Visa Fees</i>			

3	Overseas Medical Insurance for visit duration				
4	Accommodation [ @£50 per day per head for 7 days]	14	50	700	
5	Local Travel (from nearest airport + field work, if any)	2	30	60	
6	Any other, please specify (subsistence @£30)	14	30	420	
	<b>Total</b>			2380	
<b>B</b>	<b>Bursary (Students Scholarship)</b>				
	<b>Maximum 50% of the available budget can be quoted</b>				
1	Students joining the course digitally				
2	Students joining course in person at the UK Institution (it covers - travel, visa, insurance, accommodation, subsistence allowance ) [15 students will visit for 4 weeks] @£80 per day for 28 days for 15 students + (£600 travel+ £100 visa + £50 insurance)]	15	2990	44850	
3	Any other, please specify (website development)				
	<b>Total</b>			44850	
<b>C</b>	<b>Professional Consultancy Fees and Project Activity</b>				
	<b>Maximum 35% of the total budget can be quoted</b>				
	<b>Below Categories are indicative</b>				
1	Professional Fees for officials - This can include Fees+Allowances+Subsistence etc (Market research)			3,500	
2	Consultation Fees for UK sector experts like QAA, ENIC etc.			3000	
3	Project Activity				
	a) Marketing, Promotion and Dissemination (2 workshops in India and 1 workshop in the UK)	3	5,000	15000	
	b) Consumables, please specify				
4	Any other, please specify (website development)			10000	
	<b>Total</b>			31,500	
<b>D</b>	<b>Staff Time and Other Delivery Costs</b>				
	<b>Maximum 5% of the total budget can be quoted</b>				
	<b>(Below categories are indicative) Please note that purchase of assets like laptops, computers, software, books, equipments, machinery etc. cannot be requested.</b>				

1	Manpower Cost hired for project (casual workers for admin for 225 hrs @ £20 per hr.)			4,500	
2	Miscellaneous, please specify				
3	Contingency, please specify				
4	Institutional overhead, if any, (upto 12% of this head)				
5	Any other, please specify				
	<b>Total</b>			<b>4,500</b>	
	<b>Total value of Grant Request</b>			<b>89,905</b>	
<b>E</b>	<b>In-Kind Contribution from partnering institutions (over and above maximum limits specified in the Call Guidelines)</b>	<b>Description</b>		<b>Approx. Amount (in £)</b>	
1	Nature and value of contribution in-kind, from Indian Partners, for e.g % staff time of faculty working as project leads; accommodation on campus not charged for; software licences; resources; assessment fees of students not charged to project but absorbed by university etc.	From each University 3 researchers will be involved through out the project and will spend 10% of their time (av annual salary £50,000 per person): total salary cost $5*3*50000*0.1=75,000$ . Overhead (@10000 for each university)		125,000	
2	Nature and value of In-Kind Contribution of UK Partners, for e.g % staff time, accommodation on campus not charged for, software licences, resources, assessment fees of students not charged to project but absorbed by university etc.	Salary for 5 researchers aligned with their percentage engagement with the project (£80,000) + instituional overhead (£10,000) + Facilities for lectures and workshop / meetings (£10,000)		100,000	
3	Source and Value of other funds leveraged to support the project from Indian applicants.				
4	Source and Value of other funds leveraged to support the project from UK applicants.				
	<b>Total</b>			<b>225,000</b>	
	<b>Overall Value of the Project</b>			<b>314,905</b>	

### **Schedule 3**

#### **Standard Terms**

## **1 Interpretation**

### 1.1 In this Agreement:

**“British Council Entities”** means the subsidiary companies and other organisations Controlled by the British Council from time to time, and any organisation which Controls the British Council (the **“Controlling Entity”**) as well as any other organisations Controlled by the Controlling Entity from time to time;

**“British Council Requirements”** means the instructions, requirements, policies, codes of conduct, guidelines, forms and other documents notified to the Recipient in writing or set out on the British Council’s website at <https://www.britishcouncil.org/partner/international-development/jobs/policies-consultants> or such other web address as may be notified to the Recipient from time to time (as such documents may be amended, updated or supplemented from time to time during the Term);

**“Brand Identity Guidelines”** means the visual identity and branding guidelines and instructions applicable to all Project activity as detailed in Schedule 8;

**“Code”** means the Department of Constitutional Affairs’ Code of Practice on the discharge of public authorities’ functions under Part 1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (issued under section 45 of that Act) (November 2004) as may be updated or re-issued from time to time and any other relevant codes of practice published by the Department of Constitutional Affairs or its successor bodies;

**“Confidential Information”** means any information which has been designated as confidential by either party in writing or that ought to be considered as confidential (however it is conveyed or on whatever media it is stored) including information which relates to the business, affairs, finances, properties, assets, trading practices, developments, trade secrets, Intellectual Property Rights, know-how, personnel, and customers of the British Council or the Recipient (as the case may be) and all personal data and special categories of personal data within the meaning of the Data Protection Legislation;

**“Control”** means the ability to direct the affairs of another party whether by virtue of the ownership of shares, contract or otherwise (and **“Controlled”** shall be construed accordingly);

**“Environmental Information Regulations”** means the Environmental Information Regulations 2004;

**“Equality Legislation”** means any and all legislation, applicable guidance and statutory codes of practice relating to diversity, equality, non-discrimination and human rights as may be in force from time to time in England and Wales or in any other territory in which, or in respect of which, the Project relates;

**“FOIA”** means the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and any subordinate legislation made under that Act from time to time together with any guidance and/or codes of practice issued by the Information Commissioner in relation to such legislation;

**“Force Majeure Event”** means an act, event, omission or accident beyond the reasonable control of the affected party which was not reasonably foreseeable and which is not attributable to any wilful act, neglect or failure to take reasonable preventative action by that party, including (insofar as beyond such control but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing expression) strikes, lock-outs or other industrial disputes, failure of a utility service or transport network, act of God, war, riot, civil commotion, malicious damage, volcanic ash, earthquake, explosion, terrorist act, epidemic, pandemic or other spread of infectious disease or the imposition of any measures to prevent the spread of disease, nuclear, chemical or biological contamination, compliance with any law or governmental order, rule, regulation or direction, accident, breakdown of plant or machinery, fire, flood or storm;

**“Funder Agreement”** means the agreement (if any) between the Funder (if any) and the British Council relating to the provision of the funding out of which the Grant is made;

**“Funder Requirements”** means the specific requirements of the Funder (if any), including the terms of the Funder Agreement, notified to the Recipient in writing (including, without limitation, by means of email or any website or extranet);

**“Information Disclosure Requirements”** means the requirements to disclose information under:

- (a) the Code;
- (b) the FOIA; and
- (c) the Environmental Information Regulations;

**“Intellectual Property Rights”** means any copyright and related rights, patents, rights to inventions, registered designs, database rights, design rights, topography rights, trade marks, service marks, trade names and domain names, trade secrets, rights in unpatented know-how, rights of confidence and any other intellectual or industrial property rights of any nature including all applications (or rights to apply) for, and renewals or extensions of such rights and all similar or equivalent rights or forms of protection which subsist or will subsist now or in the future in any part of the world;

**“Recipient’s Team”** means the Recipient and, where applicable, any Relevant Person, and all other employees, consultants, agents and sub-contractors and any other person, organisation, company, or other third-party representatives which the Recipient engages in any way in relation to the Project;

**“Relevant Person”** means any individual employed or engaged by the Recipient and involved in the Project, or any agent or contractor or sub-contractor of the Recipient who is involved in the Project; and

**“Request for Information”** means a request for information (as defined in FOIA) relating to or connected with this Agreement or the British Council more generally or any apparent request for such information under the Information Disclosure Requirements.

## 1.2 In this Agreement:

- 1.2.1 any headings in this Agreement shall not affect the interpretation of this Agreement;
- 1.2.2 a reference to a statute or statutory provision is (unless otherwise stated) a reference to the applicable UK statute as it is in force for the time being, taking account of any amendment, extension, or re-enactment and includes any subordinate legislation for the time being in force made under it;
- 1.2.3 where the words “include(s)” or “including” are used in this Agreement, they are deemed to have the words “without limitation” following them, and are illustrative and shall not limit the sense of the words preceding them;
- 1.2.4 without prejudice to clause 1.2.5, except where the context requires otherwise, references to:
- (i) services being provided to, or other activities being provided for, the British Council;
  - (ii) any benefits, warranties, indemnities, rights and/or licences granted or provided to the British Council; and
  - (iii) the business, operations, customers, assets, Intellectual Property Rights, agreements or other property of the British Council,
- shall be deemed to be references to such services, activities, benefits, warranties, indemnities, rights and/or licences being provided to, or property belonging to, each of the British Council and the British Council Entities and this Agreement is intended to be enforceable by each of the British Council Entities; and
- 1.2.5 obligations of the British Council shall not be interpreted as obligations of any of the British Council Entities.

## **2 Recipient's obligations**

- 2.1 The Recipient warrants that the information given to the British Council in connection with the Project Proposal is true and acknowledges that the British Council awards the Grant on this basis.
- 2.2 The Recipient shall apply the Grant solely and exclusively for the purposes of funding the Project and will not use the Grant to fund any activity that may be party-political in intention use or presentation or to propagate a particular religion. The Recipient agrees to reimburse the British Council in full if the Grant is not used for this purpose.
- 2.3 The Recipient confirms that the Project and the award of the Grant to it shall not breach any applicable State subsidy control rules.
- 2.4 The Recipient shall notify the British Council in writing of any amount of other funding including other public sector funding (if any) and/or guarantees secured by or offered to it for any purpose whatsoever as soon as it is approved.

- 2.5 The Recipient shall deliver the Project with (i) reasonable skill and care and to the highest professional standards (ii) in compliance at all times with the terms of this Agreement (and, in particular, the Special Terms (Schedule 1) and the Project Proposal (Schedule 2)), the reasonable instructions of the British Council and all applicable regulations and legislation in force from time to time. The Recipient shall allocate sufficient resources to enable it to comply with its obligations under this Agreement.
- 2.6 The Recipient shall comply with, and complete and return any forms or reports from time to time required by, the British Council Requirements and/or the Eligibility Criteria.
- 2.7 The Recipient shall comply with the Funder Requirements (if any) and shall do nothing to put the British Council in breach of the Funder Requirements (if any).
- 2.8 The Recipient shall not at any time do or say anything which damages or which could reasonably be expected to damage the interests or reputation of the British Council or the Funder (if any) or their respective officers, employees, agents or contractors.
- 2.9 The Recipient shall keep full and proper accounts and records of income and expenditure with regard to the Project and the British Council shall be entitled to receive copies of all information reasonably required on request (including, without limitation, bank statements, receipts and vouchers for expenditure incurred) and to audit the administration by the Recipient of the Grant and the Project.
- 2.10 Where the British Council and/or the Funder requires more information or considers that any report and/or other documentation is not acceptable, or where the British Council and/or the Funder believes that the performance of the activity undertaken is not in accordance with this Agreement, the British Council shall provide sufficient details to the Recipient to enable it to rectify the situation. The British Council reserves the right to suspend or terminate (as the case may be) the Project and the Agreement in the event that the Recipient is not able to rectify the situation to the satisfaction of the British Council (and/or the Funder).
- 2.11 The Recipient undertakes to work with the British Council to monitor and evaluate progress made towards achieving the Project through regular communication, face to face meetings if required and progress reports and agrees to provide any relevant information related to the activities detailed in the Project Proposal as and when requested.
- 2.12 The Recipient shall comply with all applicable legislation and codes of practice relating to child protection and the promotion of the welfare of children in force in England and Wales and any other territory in which the Project takes place or to which the Project relates.
- 2.13 The Recipient shall use its reasonable endeavours to ensure that it does not become involved in any conflict of interests between the interests of the British Council and/or the Funder and the interests of the Recipient itself or any client of the Recipient. The Recipient shall notify the British Council in writing as soon as is practically possible of any potential conflict of interests and shall follow the British Council's reasonable instructions to avoid, or bring to an end, any conflict of interests. In the event that a conflict of interests does arise, the British Council shall be entitled to terminate this Agreement on immediate written notice.



### **3 Capital Assets**

- 3.1 A “**Capital Asset**” means any item of equipment or other asset costing £500 (five hundred pounds) (excluding VAT) or more which, on the date of purchase, has a useful life of more than one year and is purchased wholly or partly out of the Grant.
- 3.2 The Recipient shall obtain the prior written consent of the British Council (and, where applicable, the Funder) before purchasing any Capital Asset.
- 3.3 Subject to clause 3.2, the Recipient shall advise the British Council in writing of the purchase of any Capital Asset and shall advise the British Council of its date of purchase, its purchase price (excluding VAT), its location and details of anyone else having an interest in the Capital Asset.
- 3.4 The Recipient shall not dispose of any Capital Asset without the British Council’s prior written consent. The British Council may require the sale of any Capital Asset at open market value and may also require payment to the British Council of a share of the net proceeds of sale in proportion to the amount of Grant contributed to its purchase.

### **4 Withholding, Reduction and Repayment of the Grant**

- 4.1 The British Council may (and may be obliged by the Funder to) reduce, withhold or claim a repayment (in full or in part) of the Grant if:
- 4.1.1 the Recipient fails to comply with the terms of this Agreement;
  - 4.1.2 the Recipient breaches the warranty in clause 4.2 of Schedule 1;
  - 4.1.3 the Recipient makes a change to the Project which the British Council and/or the Funder has not approved;
  - 4.1.4 the Recipient attempts to dispose of a Capital Asset without the British Council’s prior written consent;
  - 4.1.5 there is any financial irregularity or fraud in the operation of the Project;
  - 4.1.6 there has been any overpayment of the Grant; or
  - 4.1.7 the Funder reduces the amount of funding available, withdraws funding or demands repayment of any part of the Grant.
- 4.2 The British Council will notify the Recipient in writing of any decision it (or the Funder) takes to reduce, withhold or claim a repayment of the Grant or any part of it and will, if appropriate, arrange a meeting with the Recipient to discuss the consequences of such decision.
- 4.3 If the British Council demands repayment of the Grant or any part of it, the Recipient shall make repayment within 30 days.
- 4.4 The Grant is fully inclusive of any and all taxes that may be payable in connection with the award, receipt or use of the Grant. The Recipient will deduct any such taxes out of the Grant and in no circumstances shall the British Council be required to pay any additional sums in respect of such taxes. In the event that the British Council is required by the laws or regulations of any applicable jurisdiction to deduct any withholding tax or similar taxes from the Grant, the British Council shall deduct and account for such taxes before paying the remainder of the Grant to the Recipient and shall notify the Recipient in writing of all such sums properly deducted.

## **5 Change Control**

- 5.1 If the Recipient wishes to change the scope of the Project, it shall submit details of the requested change to the British Council in writing and such change shall only be implemented if agreed in accordance with the remainder of this clause.
- 5.2 If the Recipient requests a change to the scope of the Project, it shall send such request to the British Council in writing, accompanied by a written statement of the following matters:
- 5.2.1 the likely time required to implement the change;
  - 5.2.2 any foreseeable impact that the proposed change may have on the Recipient's compliance with the Eligibility Criteria;
  - 5.2.3 any other impact of the proposed change on the terms of this Agreement;  
and

the British Council shall withhold or give its consent to such change in its sole discretion. If the British Council allows the Recipient to proceed with the change, the Recipient shall do so, following a variation of this Agreement in writing reflecting the agreed change in accordance with clause 21.

## **6 Intellectual Property Rights**

- 6.1 All Intellectual Property Rights shall remain the exclusive property of the party owning it. It is the responsibility of the Recipient, and all Sub-Grantees involved in the Project, between them to agree, in good faith negotiations on the ownership of jointly developed intellectual property (IP) rights.
- 6.2 Where any Intellectual Property Rights owned or licensed by the British Council are required to be used in connection with the delivery of the Project, the Recipient acknowledges that it shall have no right to use the same except to the extent necessary for the delivery of the Project and subject to such consents and restrictions as may be specified by the British Council.
- 6.3 The Recipient warrants that the delivery of the Project does not and will not infringe any third party's Intellectual Property Rights.
- 6.4 The Recipient hereby grants to the British Council an irrevocable, royalty-free, non-exclusive, worldwide right and licence to use any information, data, reports, documents, or other materials obtained, created or developed in the course of the Project for non-commercial purposes to publicise and report on the activities of the British Council in connection with the award of the Grant and the delivery of the Project.

## **7 Liability and Indemnity**

- 7.1 Nothing in this Agreement shall exclude or restrict the liability of either party to the other for death or personal injury resulting from negligence or for fraudulent misrepresentation or in any other circumstances where liability may not be limited under any applicable law.
- 7.2 Subject to clauses 7.1, the British Council's total liability to the Recipient in respect of all other losses arising under or in connection with this Agreement, whether in contract, tort, breach of statutory duty, or otherwise, shall not exceed the amount of the Grant.

- 7.3 Provided that the British Council has paid the Grant to the Recipient in accordance with this Agreement, the Recipient shall be responsible for all claims, costs, expenses, losses and liabilities howsoever arising in connection with the Project and the receipt and use of the Grant and the Recipient shall indemnify and hold the British Council harmless from and against all such claims, costs, expenses, losses and liabilities.
- 7.4 The provisions of this clause 7 shall survive termination of this Agreement, however arising.

## **8 Confidentiality**

- 8.1 For the purposes of this clause 8:
- 8.1.1 the “**Disclosing Party**” is the party which discloses Confidential Information to, or in respect of which Confidential Information comes to the knowledge of, the other party; and
  - 8.1.2 the “**Receiving Party**” is the party which receives Confidential Information relating to the other party.
- 8.2 The Receiving Party shall take all necessary precautions to ensure that all Confidential Information it receives under or in connection with this Agreement:
- 8.2.1 is given only to such of its staff and professional advisors or consultants engaged to advise it in connection with this Agreement as is strictly necessary for the performance of this Agreement and only to the extent necessary for the performance of this Agreement; and
  - 8.2.2 is treated as confidential and not disclosed (without the prior written consent of the Disclosing Party) or used by the Receiving Party or any member of its staff or its professional advisors or consultants otherwise than for the purposes of this Agreement.
- 8.3 The provisions of clause 8.2 shall not apply to any Confidential Information which:
- 8.3.1 is or becomes public knowledge (otherwise than by breach of this clause 8);
  - 8.3.2 was in the possession of the Receiving Party, without restriction as to its disclosure, before receiving it from the Disclosing Party;
  - 8.3.3 is received from a third party who lawfully acquired it and who is under no obligation restricting its disclosure;
  - 8.3.4 is independently developed without access to the Confidential Information; or
  - 8.3.5 must be disclosed pursuant to a statutory, legal or parliamentary obligation placed upon the Receiving Party.
- 8.4 Nothing in this clause 8 shall prevent the Recipient from using any techniques, ideas or know-how gained during the performance of this Agreement in the course of its normal business, to the extent that it does not result in a disclosure of Confidential Information or an infringement of Intellectual Property Rights.

- 8.5 In the event that the Recipient fails to comply with this clause 8, the British Council reserves the right to terminate this Agreement by notice in writing with immediate effect.
- 8.6 The provisions under this clause 8 are without prejudice to the application of the Official Secrets Act 1911 to 1989 to any Confidential Information.
- 8.7 The Recipient acknowledges that the British Council is subject to the Information Disclosure Requirements and shall assist and co-operate with the British Council to enable the British Council to comply with those requirements.
- 8.8 Where the British Council receives a Request for Information in relation to information that the Recipient or any of its sub-contractors is holding on behalf of the British Council and which the British Council does not hold itself, the British Council shall, as soon as reasonably practicable after receipt, forward the Request for Information to the Recipient and the Recipient shall:
- 8.8.1 provide the British Council with a copy of all such information in the form that the British Council requires as soon as practicable and in any event within 10 calendar days (or such other period as the British Council acting reasonably may specify) of the British Council's request; and
  - 8.8.2 provide all necessary assistance as reasonably requested by the British Council to enable the British Council to respond to the Request for Information within the time for compliance set out in section 10 of the FOIA or regulation 5 of the Environmental Information Regulations, as applicable.
- 8.9 The Recipient acknowledges that any lists or schedules provided by it outlining Confidential Information are of indicative value only and that the British Council may nevertheless be obliged to disclose the Recipient's Confidential Information in accordance with the Information Disclosure Requirements:
- 8.9.1 in certain circumstances without consulting the Recipient; or
  - 8.9.2 following consultation with the Recipient and having taken its views into account,

provided always that where clause 8.9.1 above applies, the British Council shall, in accordance with the recommendations of the Code, take reasonable steps to draw this to the attention of the Recipient after any such disclosure.

- 8.10 The provisions of this clause 8 shall survive the termination of this Agreement, however arising.

## **9 Termination**

- 9.1 Without prejudice to any other rights or remedies which the British Council may have, the British Council may terminate this Agreement without liability to the Recipient immediately on giving notice to the Recipient if:
- 9.1.1 the Recipient uses the Grant or any part of it other than for the Project;
  - 9.1.2 the Funder Agreement is terminated for any reason;
  - 9.1.3 there is a change of Control of the Recipient; or

9.1.4 the funding for the Grant is otherwise withdrawn or ceases.

9.2 Either party may give notice in writing to the other terminating this Agreement with immediate effect if:

9.2.1 the other party commits any material breach of any of the terms of this Agreement and that breach (if capable of remedy) is not remedied within 30 days of notice being given requiring it to be remedied (and where such breach is not capable of remedy, the terminating party shall be entitled to terminate the Agreement with immediate effect);

9.2.2 an order is made or a resolution is passed for the winding-up of the other party or an administrator is appointed by order of the court or by other means to manage the affairs, business and property of the other party or a receiver and/or manager or administrative receiver is validly appointed in respect of all or any of the other party's assets or undertaking or circumstances arise which entitle the Court or a creditor to appoint a receiver and/ or manage or administrative receiver or which entitle the Court to make a winding-up or bankruptcy order or the other party takes or suffers any similar or analogous action (in any jurisdiction) in consequence of debt; or

9.2.3 the other party ceases, or threatens to cease, to carry on business.

9.3 In any circumstances where the British Council has the right to terminate this Agreement it may instead, by serving written notice on the Recipient, suspend the Project for a reasonable period.

9.4 Termination of this Agreement, however it arises, shall not affect or prejudice the accrued rights of the parties as at termination or the continuation of any provision expressly stated to survive, or implicitly surviving, termination.

## 10 **Data Processing**

10.1 In this clause:

10.1.1 "**Data Protection Legislation**" shall mean any applicable law relating to the processing, privacy and use of Personal Data, as applicable to either party or the Project under this Agreement, including the DPA and/or the GDPR, and/or any corresponding or equivalent national laws or regulations; and any laws which implement any such laws; and any laws that replace, extend, re-enact, consolidate or amend any of the foregoing; all guidance, guidelines, codes of practice and codes of conduct issued by any relevant regulator, authority or body responsible for administering Data Protection Legislation (in each case whether or not legally binding);

10.1.2 "**DPA**" means the UK Data Protection Act 2018;

10.1.3 "**GDPR**" means, as applicable, the General Data Protection Regulation (EU) 2016/679 or the UK GDPR as defined in the DPA (as amended); and

10.1.4 "**Personal Data**" means "personal data" (as defined in the Data Protection Legislation) that are processed under this Agreement.

10.2 The Recipient shall not breach the Data Protection Legislation and warrants that in carrying out its obligations under this Agreement it will not breach the Data Protection Legislation or do or omit to do anything that might cause the British Council to be in breach of the Data Protection Legislation.

## **11 Audit**

11.1 The Recipient will fully co-operate with and assist the British Council in meeting its audit and regulatory requirements by providing access for the British Council, its internal auditors (which shall include, for the purposes of this Agreement the British Council's internal, audit, security, safeguarding and operational risk functions), its external auditors or any agents appointed by the British Council or their regulators (or any person appointed by such body) to conduct appropriate reviews and inspections of the activities and records of the Recipient (and to take copies of records and documents and interview members of the Recipient's staff). The Recipient shall maintain all records relating to this Agreement (including the implementation of the Project and the receipt and expenditure of all Grant funds) for a period of seven (7) years following the year in which the provision of the Project is completed or such longer period as the British Council may notify to the Recipient in writing from time to time.

11.2 The Recipient shall bear its own cost in relation to any reasonable number of audits carried out by the British Council and/or the Funder. Where any audit reveals any breach or non-compliance by the Recipient, the Recipient shall also bear the costs of the British Council and/or the Funder carrying out such audit.

## **12 Publicity**

12.1 The provisions of this clause 12 shall apply unless specifically varied by the British Council Requirements or the Funder Requirements.

12.2 The Recipient shall:

12.2.1 obtain the British Council's prior written consent to all promotional activity, public statements or press releases issued by the Recipient or on the Recipient's behalf in relation to the Project or any aspect of it;

12.2.2 where requested to do so by the British Council, acknowledge the award of the Grant by the British Council (and, where applicable, the Funder) in any publicity about the Project; and

12.2.3 incorporate the British Council's logo in all marketing materials in accordance with the British Council's visual identity guidelines for the Project (being such guidelines as shall be notified in advance to the Recipient) and will not use the British Council's logo for any other purpose whatsoever.

## **13 Employees**

13.1 The Recipient agrees that it will not, without the prior written consent of the British Council, whether directly or indirectly, and whether alone or in conjunction with, or on behalf of, any other person during the Term or for a period of 6 (six) months following termination, solicit or entice,

or endeavour to solicit or entice away from the British Council any person employed by the British Council and involved directly in the award of the Grant.

#### **14 Anti-Corruption, Anti-Collusion and Tax Evasion**

14.1 The Recipient undertakes and warrants that it has not offered, given or agreed to give (and that it will not offer, give or agree to give) to any person any gift or consideration of any kind as an inducement or reward for doing or forbearing to do anything in relation to the obtaining of this Agreement or the performance by the Recipient of its obligations under this Agreement.

14.2 The Recipient warrants that it, and any Relevant Person, has and will retain in place, and undertakes that it, and any Relevant Person, will at all times comply with, policies and procedures to avoid the risk of bribery (as set out in the Bribery Act 2010), tax evasion (as set out in the Criminal Finances Act 2017) and fraud within its organisation and in connection with its dealings with other parties, whether in the UK or overseas.

14.3 The Recipient warrants that:

14.3.1 it, and any Relevant Person, has not colluded, and undertakes that it will not at any time collude, with any third party in any way in connection with this Agreement (including in respect of pricing under this Agreement); and

14.3.2 it, and any Relevant Person, has not engaged, and will not at any time engage, in any activity, practice or conduct which would constitute either:

14.3.3 a UK tax evasion facilitation offence under section 45 of the Criminal Finances Act 2017; or

14.3.4 a foreign tax evasion facilitation offence under section 46 of the Criminal Finances Act 2017.

Nothing under this clause 14.3 is intended to prevent the Recipient from discussing the terms of this Agreement with the Recipient's professional advisors.

14.4 The Recipient acknowledges and agrees that British Council may, at any point during the Term and on any number of occasions, carry out searches of relevant third party screening databases (each a "**Screening Database**") to ensure that neither the Recipient, the Recipient's Team nor any of the Recipient's Team's directors or shareholders (where applicable), is or have been listed:

14.4.1 as an individual or entity with whom national or supranational bodies have decreed organisations should not have financial dealings;

14.4.2 as being wanted by Interpol or any national law enforcement body in connection with crime;

14.4.3 as being subject to regulatory action by a national or international enforcement body;

14.4.4 as being subject to export, trade or procurement controls or (in the case of an individual) as being disqualified from being a company director; and/or

14.4.5 as being a heightened risk individual or organisation, or (in the case of an individual) a politically exposed person,

(together the "**Prohibited Entities**").

- 14.5 The Recipient warrants that it will not make payment to, transfer property to, or otherwise have dealings with, any Prohibited Entity.
- 14.6 If any of the Recipient, the Recipient's Team or the Recipient's Team's directors or shareholders (where applicable) is:
- 14.6.1 listed in a Screening Database for any of the reasons set out in clause 14.4, or
  - 14.6.2 breaches any of its obligations set out in clauses 14.1, 14.2, 14.3 or 14.5;
- then the Recipient shall promptly notify the British Council of any such breach(es) and the British Council shall be entitled to take the steps set out at clause 14.7 below.
- 14.7 In the circumstances described at clause 14.6.1 and/or 14.6.2, and without prejudice to any other rights or remedies which the British Council may have, the British Council may:
- 14.7.1 terminate this Agreement without liability to the Recipient immediately on giving notice to the Recipient; and/or
  - 14.7.2 require the Recipient to take any steps the British Council reasonably considers necessary to manage the risk to the British Council of contracting with the Recipient (and the Recipient shall take all such steps and shall provide evidence of its compliance if required); and/or
  - 14.7.3 reduce, withhold or claim a repayment (in full or in part) of the charges payable under this Agreement; and/or
  - 14.7.4 share such information with third parties.
- 14.8 The Recipient shall provide the British Council with all information reasonably requested by the British Council to complete the screening searches described in clause 14.4.
- 14.9 Without limitation to clauses 14.1, 14.2, 14.3, 14.4, 14.5, 14.6, 14.7 and 14.8 above, the Recipient shall:
- 14.9.1 ensure that all Relevant Persons involved in the Project or with this Agreement have been vetted and that due diligence is undertaken on a regular continuing basis to such standard or level of assurance as is reasonably necessary in relation to a person in that position in the relevant circumstances; and
  - 14.9.2 maintain accurate and up to date records of:
    - (i) any requests to facilitate any UK tax evasion offence or any foreign tax evasion offence made to the Recipient or any Relevant Person in connection with the Project or with this Agreement either in the United Kingdom or elsewhere;



- (ii) any action taken by the Recipient or any Relevant Person to inform the relevant enforcement bodies or regulatory authorities that the Recipient or any Relevant Person has been requested to facilitate a UK tax evasion offence or a foreign tax evasion offence (except to the extent that the Recipient or any Relevant Person is prevented by law from doing so);
  - (iii) its compliance with its obligations under this clause 14 and all training and guidance provided to Relevant Persons in respect of the obligations under this clause and applicable laws for the prevention of tax evasion;
  - (iv) the Recipient's monitoring of compliance by Relevant Persons with applicable policies and procedures;
  - (v) the measures that the Recipient has taken in response to any incidence of suspected or actual tax evasion or facilitation of tax evasion or breach of this clause 14; and
- 14.9.3 maintain and provide such access to the records or information referred to in clause 14.9.2; and
- 14.9.4 ensure that all Relevant Persons involved in performing services in connection with this Agreement are subject to and at all times comply with equivalent obligations to the Recipient under this clause 14.

14.10 For the purposes of this clause 14, the expression “**Relevant Person**” shall mean all or any of the following: (a) Relevant Persons; and (b) any Relevant Person employed or engaged by a Relevant Person.

## **15 Safeguarding and Protecting Children and Vulnerable Adults**

- 15.1 The Recipient will comply with all applicable legislation and codes of practice, including, where applicable, all legislation and statutory guidance relevant to the safeguarding and protection of children and vulnerable adults and with the British Council's Safeguarding Policy and Adults at Risk Policy included in the British Council Requirements as amended from time to time, which the Supplier acknowledges may include submitting checks by the UK Disclosure & Barring Service (DBS) and/or equivalent local checks<sup>4</sup>.
- 15.2 The Recipient must provide to the British Council, documentary evidence of the relevant disclosure and/or the criminal records checks in advance of undertaking any activities involving children and/or vulnerable adults in connection with the Project under this Agreement.
- 15.3 In addition, the Recipient will ensure that, where it engages any other party in connection with the Project under this Agreement, that party will also comply with the same requirements as if they were a party to this Agreement.

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<sup>4</sup> Equivalent local checks include, but are not limited to, the ACRO Criminal Records Office, 'International Child Protection Certificate' online criminal records checks and Code of Good Conduct' or any other services as detailed at the following link: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/criminal-records-checks-for-overseas-applicants> (when/if link does not work contact the British Council Project manager)

## **16 Anti-slavery and human trafficking**

16.1 The Recipient shall:

- 16.1.1 ensure that slavery and human trafficking is not taking place in any part of its business or in any part of its supply chain;
- 16.1.2 implement due diligence procedures for its own suppliers, subcontractors and other participants in its supply chains, to ensure that there is no slavery or human trafficking in its supply chains;
- 16.1.3 respond promptly to all slavery and human trafficking due diligence questionnaires issued to it by the British Council from time to time and ensure that its responses to all such questionnaires are complete and accurate; and
- 16.1.4 notify the British Council as soon as it becomes aware of any actual or suspected slavery or human trafficking in any part of its business or in a supply chain which has a connection with this Agreement.

16.2 If the Recipient fails to comply with any of its obligations under clause 16.1, without prejudice to any other rights or remedies which the British Council may have, the British Council shall be entitled to:

- 16.2.1 terminate this Agreement without liability to the Recipient immediately on giving notice to the Recipient; and/or
- 16.2.2 require the Recipient to take any steps the British Council reasonably considers necessary to manage the risk to the British Council of contracting with the Recipient (and the Recipient shall take all such steps); and/or
- 16.2.3 reduce, withhold or claim a repayment (in full or in part) of the Grant; and/or
- 16.2.4 share with third parties information about such non-compliance.

## **17 Equality, Diversity and Inclusion**

17.1 The Recipient shall ensure that it does not, whether as an employer or provider of services and/or goods, discriminate within the meaning of the Equality Legislation.

17.2 The Recipient shall comply with any equality or diversity policies or guidelines included in the British Council Requirements.

## **18 Assignment**

18.1 The Recipient shall not, without the prior written consent of the British Council, assign, transfer, charge, create a trust in, or deal in any other manner with all or any of its rights or obligations under this Agreement.

18.2 The British Council may assign or novate this Agreement to: (i) any separate entity Controlled by the British Council; (ii) any body or department which succeeds to those functions of the British Council to which this Agreement relates; or (iii) any provider of outsourcing or third party services that is employed under a service contract to provide services to the British Council. The Recipient warrants and represents that it will (at the British Council's reasonable expense)

execute all such documents and carry out all such acts, as reasonably required to give effect to this clause 18.2.

## **19 Waiver**

19.1 A waiver of any right under this Agreement is only effective if it is in writing and it applies only to the party to whom the waiver is addressed and the circumstances for which it is given.

## **20 Entire agreement**

20.1 This Agreement and any documents referred to in it constitute the entire agreement and understanding between the parties with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement and supersede, cancel and replace all prior agreements, licences, negotiations and discussions between the parties relating to it. Each party confirms and acknowledges that it has not been induced to enter into this Agreement by, and shall have no remedy in respect of, any statement, representation, warranty or undertaking (whether negligently or innocently made) not expressly incorporated into it. However, nothing in this Agreement purports to exclude liability for any fraudulent statement or act.

## **21 Variation**

21.1 No variation of this Agreement shall be valid unless it is in writing and signed by or on behalf of each of the parties.

## **22 Severance**

22.1 If any provision of this Agreement (or part of any provision) is found by any court or other authority of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, that provision or part-provision shall, to the extent required, be deemed not to form part of the Agreement, and the validity and enforceability of the other provisions of the Agreement shall not be affected.

## **23 Counterparts**

23.1 This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which when executed shall constitute a duplicate original, but all counterparts shall together constitute one agreement. Where this Agreement is executed in counterparts, following execution each party must promptly deliver the counterpart it has executed to the other party. Transmission of an executed counterpart of this Agreement by email in PDF, JPEG or other agreed format shall take effect as delivery of an executed counterpart of this Agreement.

## **24 Third party rights**

24.1 Subject to clause 1.2.4, this Agreement does not create any rights or benefits enforceable by any person not a party to it except that a person who under clause 18 is a permitted successor or assignee of the rights or benefits of a party may enforce such rights or benefits.

24.2 The parties agree that no consent from the British Council Entities or the persons referred to in this clause is required for the parties to vary or rescind this Agreement (whether or not in a way that varies or extinguishes rights or benefits in favour of such third parties).

## **25 No partnership or agency**

- 25.1 Nothing in this Agreement is intended to, or shall operate to, create a partnership between the parties, or to authorise either party to act as agent for the other, and neither party shall have authority to act in the name or on behalf of or otherwise to bind the other in any way (including the making of any representation or warranty, the assumption of any obligation or liability and the exercise of any right or power) and neither party shall incur any expenditure in the name of or for the account of the other.

## **26 Force Majeure**

- 26.1 Subject to clauses 26.2 and 26.3, neither party shall be in breach of this Agreement if it is prevented from or delayed in carrying on its business and/or material obligations hereunder by a Force Majeure Event.
- 26.2 A party that is subject to a Force Majeure Event shall not be in breach of this Agreement provided that:
- 26.2.1 it promptly notifies the other party in writing of the nature and extent of the Force Majeure Event causing its failure or delay in performance;
  - 26.2.2 it could not have avoided the effect of the Force Majeure Event by taking precautions which, having regard to all the matters known to it before the Force Majeure Event, it ought reasonably to have taken, but did not; and
  - 26.2.3 it has used all reasonable endeavours to mitigate the effect of the Force Majeure Event, to carry out its obligations under this Agreement in any way that is reasonably practicable and to resume the performance of its obligations as soon as reasonably possible.
- 26.3 Nothing in this clause 26 shall excuse a party for non-performance (or other breach) of this Agreement if such non-performance (or other breach) results from the acts or omissions of any of that party's consultants and/or sub-contractors (except where such acts or omissions are caused by a Force Majeure Event).

## **27 Notice**

- 27.1 Notice given under this Agreement shall be in writing, sent for the attention of the person signing this Agreement on behalf of the recipient party and to the address given on the front page of this Agreement (or such other address or person as the relevant party may notify to the other party), or by email, and shall be delivered:
- 27.1.1 personally, in which case the notice will be deemed to have been received at the time of delivery;
  - 27.1.2 by pre-paid, first-class post if the notice is being sent to an address within the country of posting, in which case the notice will be deemed to have been received at 09:00 in the country of receipt on the second (2nd) normal Working Day in the country specified in the recipient's address for notices after the date of posting;
  - 27.1.3 by international standard post if being sent to an address outside the country of posting, in which case the notice will be deemed to have been received at 09:00 in the country of receipt on the seventh (7th) normal

working Day in the country specified in the recipient's address for notices after the date of posting; or

27.1.4 by email to the relevant email address specified in clause 6.1 of Schedule 1 (or such other email address as the relevant party may notify to the other party), in which case, the notice will be deemed to have been received at the time of transmission, or if this time falls outside of normal working hours in the United Kingdom (or such other country as has been specified by the receiving party), when normal working hours resume, in each case provided that no out of office auto-reply or error message is received by the sender in response within one hour after transmission of the notice. If an out of office auto-reply or error message is received by the sender in response within one hour after transmission of the notice, then no valid notice has been delivered and the notice must be sent by one of the alternative methods listed above.

27.2 To prove service of notice under clauses 27.1.1 to 27.1.3 above, it is sufficient to prove that the envelope containing the notice was properly addressed and posted or handed to the courier.

## **28 Governing Law and Dispute Resolution Procedure**

28.1 This Agreement and any dispute or claim (including any non-contractual dispute or claim) arising out of or in connection with it or its subject matter, shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of England and Wales.

28.2 Subject to the remainder of this clause 28, the parties irrevocably agree that the courts of England and Wales shall have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute or claim (including any non-contractual dispute or claim) that arises out of or in connection with this Agreement or its subject matter.

28.3 In the event that any claim or dispute arises out of or in connection with this Agreement, the parties shall, following service of written notice by one party on the other, attempt to resolve amicably by way of good faith negotiations and discussions any such dispute or claim as soon as reasonably practicable (and in any event within 14 calendar days after such notice or by such later date as the parties may otherwise agree in writing). If the parties are unable to resolve the dispute or claim in accordance with this clause 28.3, either party may commence proceedings in accordance with clause 28.2.

28.4 Nothing in this clause 28 shall prevent either party from applying at any time to the court for injunctive relief on the grounds of infringement, or threatened infringement, of the other party's obligations of confidentiality contained in this Agreement or infringement, or threatened infringement, of the applicant's Intellectual Property Rights.

#### **Schedule 4**

##### **Project Summary Budget**

<b>Budget Item</b>	<b>Amount</b>
International Travel and Accommodation	£ 9,055
Bursary	£ 44,850
Professional Consultancy Fees and Project activity	£ 31,500
Staff time and other delivery cost	£ 4,500
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 89,905</b>

The grant recipient should manage the expenses within the above-mentioned budget for each budget category. Any change in the above should be agreed with British Council.

Detailed Budget is part of the project proposal as included in Schedule 2.

## **Schedule 5**

### **Guidelines for Applicants**

**In addition to the call guidelines, the following guidelines will also apply:**

- The grant cannot be seen as approval to change any regulation in place by the Government of India with regard to Transnational Education (TNE). The UK lead applicant will be responsible for adhering to applicable UK higher education rules and regulations and the Indian lead co-applicant will be responsible for adhering to applicable Indian higher education rules and regulations.
- Grant Recipients are advised to not use terms like joint degree or dual degree program/modules as this has not been approved by Government of India. Instead, these arrangements can be termed as “twinning arrangement”.

**Below are the Call Guidelines for Collaborative Grant under the Going Global Partnerships Programme to be adhered by all applicants.**

#### **1 Background**

India adopted the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 with a strong focus on internationalisation. It has the ambition of increasing enrolment in the tertiary education sector from 26 per cent to 50 per cent which will mean an additional 80 million places in Higher Education. This may be achieved in many ways including international cooperation and reliance on digital technology for innovative collaboration in teaching and learning between UK and Indian Universities.

The Going Global Partnerships Collaborative Grant is a part of the Going Global Partnerships programme that has been initiated by the British Council to promote collaboration and innovation in teaching and learning and Transnational Education in Higher Education Institutions between India and the UK.

The UK considers India a priority country and is committed to supporting activities that aims to improve collaboration between the UK and Indian Higher Education institutions. Last year it is estimated that 56,000 students went to the UK to study but research by the British Council shows that a lot of students with lesser economic means could not find the opportunity to experience international education.

The overarching aim of the Going Global Collaborative Partnerships Grant is to catalyse new teaching and learning partnerships that will allow more Indian students to experience UK education system and global learning approaches.

This document outlines the context, purpose, process of **Going Global Partnerships Collaborative Grant**.

#### **2 Objectives**

The objective of the Going Global Partnerships Collaborative Grants is to develop a joint programme of study possible under existing regulations including the following:

- Creation of common frameworks of content, quality, delivery and assessment at par with global standards.
- Focus on specific thematic areas of common interest of partnering universities or consortium of multiple UK and Indian Universities.
- Share knowledge and understanding for collaboration in teaching through different innovative TNE (Transnational Education) models.
- Learn from students' experiences and incorporate features to enhance their experience.
- Create feasible plans to showcase the possibilities of high-quality learning experience and skill acquisition through innovative TNE models.

### 3 **Outcomes**

The grant aims to build stronger, more inclusive, internationally connected higher education systems that support global development impacts.

**Goal: More UK and Indian Universities collaborate in teaching and learning and students are able to easily access each other's courses and qualifications.**

The overall expected outcomes of the programme:

- **Enabling research and increased mobility:** supporting research, knowledge, and innovation collaboration to address local and global challenges and promote inclusive growth. Increased mobility to and from the UK by students, graduates, and staff of Higher Education Institutions.
- **Internationalising higher education:** creating an enabling environment while supporting institutions and individuals to benefit from internationalisation. Increased scale and effectiveness of joint teaching programmes including virtual delivery and collaborative teaching, semester abroad, development of shared understanding of assessments and curriculum development that will allow more students with lesser economic means to experience international education.
- **Strengthening higher education systems:** improving the quality and efficiency of institutions and systems. Contributions to wider reform processes through creating greater awareness of quality assurance, compliance, relevant tools, evaluative frameworks and access.
- **Enhancing student outcomes:** improving the qualities of global graduates (e.g., soft skills, employability, community outcomes). Students, graduates and academicians develop an international perspective through shared experience of international education as a part of their course towards their qualification.

### 4 **Overview of the Funding Opportunity**

Going Global Partnerships offers you vital international opportunities – a chance to build relationships, to share ideas and good practice, to access grant funding for collaborative partnerships and more.



You can see current and upcoming Going Global Partnerships opportunities on our website: <https://www.britishcouncil.org/education/he-science/going-global-partnerships/connect-collaborate>. We have many opportunities being launched at this time, so please check this page regularly.

This document refers to the following opportunity: **Going Global Collaborative Grant**

These grants will be awarded to pre-existing partnerships that will be able to use it for expanding the scope of their existing work to include joint and collaborative teaching at the undergraduate as well as graduate level.

Like the Exploratory Grants, the key objective of Collaborative Grant will be the development of any model of teaching collaboration within the University Grants Commission's (UGC) regulations and the development of a course module that contributes towards a UK and Indian Bachelors or Masters qualification where credits and outputs are clearly defined. The partnerships will be able to secure consultancy services for this from UK sector service providers such as ENIC, QAA and others if needed. They will additionally be able to earmark a part of the grant to give TNE bursaries or scholarships to students enrolled in Indian institutions to enable them to experience UK education.

Any consortium or cluster of HEI's are eligible but if the consortium is supported by any State Government in India, they will be given a preference. A plan for implementation of learning within the state system will be a desirable criterion. It could be through incentive schemes, modification of regulations or any other support that the State will provide to enable students to experience UK education and qualification including micro-credentials most easily. This intention should be expressed through a letter of support from competent authority in the State.

In the 2021-22 financial year there will be an award of two to three grants between the value of £30,000 to £100,000 each.

Each proposal will have a lead applicant from a UK university and minimum one co-applicant from Indian University. If there are more than two institutions in the consortia, there needs to be one co-applicant from India and one each from other participating institutions. Lead Applicant from the UK will be considered as the principal applicant for the proposal, as their university will receive the funding.

All applicants will be required to focus either on a specific teaching-learning area or on an interdisciplinary theme of mutual relevance.

## **5 Relevance to Global Development**

In order to be considered for funding under the Going Global Partnerships Collaborative Grant, all course development proposals must clearly demonstrate a primary focus on development and articulate a plausible route to positive impact on development, within a short to medium term timeframe (within 8-10 years). Applications which do not meet this criterion cannot receive support under the Going Global Partnerships programme.

In some disciplines, development relevance can be long term and less direct than in other areas. In all cases, it is the responsibility of the applicant to articulate within the application how the proposed course will meet these criteria.

Applicants must complete the global development impact compliance section of the application form and should not expect reviewers to make assumptions about development impact, if it is not clearly described within the statement.

**Failure to demonstrate eligibility, will render your application ineligible, regardless of other success criteria. Please make sure you consider development relevance of your application.**

In order to show development relevance within the context of their proposed course, applicants are advised to include within their application reference to any local, national or international consultation, links to government policies, and existing links with government institutions and must clearly articulate the importance to relevant national and global challenges.

Agreements for ownership and exploitation of intellectual property generated through the course development must be consistent with the primary aim of addressing global development issues. For example, creating learning and employability opportunities for young people in India or improving access for young people to avail high quality higher education in emerging fields of study that have employability and development relevance.

## **6 Transparency and reporting**

As a part of the government's commitment to transparency and in line with DFID's reporting requirements, there is a requirement to publish information about grants including project titles and summaries via the International Aid Transparency Initiative (IATI) registry and DFID's national statistics.

The purpose of publishing information via the IATI registry is to make information regarding development related projects easily accessible to governments, stakeholders and other relevant groups in beneficiary countries. All funded projects from this programme will be published in this way. Please, therefore, write your project title and summary in such a way that they are meaningful and accessible to non-specialist audiences, following publication.

It is expected that the project title and summary are written in plain English and avoid use of jargon, acronyms, puns and plays on words.

**Please also make clear in your proposal title and summary how your proposed course is relevant to global development.** For example, explain how the course is aimed at creating learning and employability opportunities for young people in India, as a development challenge being addressed.

## **7 Gender Equality Statement**

Equality, diversity and inclusion (EDI) is at the heart of the British Council's mission. We are also required, to comply with the International Development (Gender Equality) Act, 2014.

Hence, applicants must demonstrate how meaningful and proportionate consideration has been taken to promote gender equality in the proposal. This must be outlined in the Gender Equality Statement (GES) section of the application form.

GES is a qualifying criterion to move the application ahead for further assessment and hence must be completed.

Applicants are required to consider the impact the proposed course will have on improving gender equality. This should be evident in the course to be developed, specifically:

- the course outputs and outcomes;
- the composition of the project team;
- the profile of the participants, stakeholders and beneficiaries of the project;
- the processes followed throughout the development of the course.

Please note that it should not be a re-statement of your Institution's gender or EDI policy. While you may refer to the policy, you must be able to demonstrate how the policy will be implemented in the proposal. The Gender Equality Statement must address the below criteria, with an understanding that, depending on the nature of the intervention, not all questions will be applicable. If a question is not applicable, you are required to articulate the reasons for the same, instead of leaving it unaddressed.

- What approach would you take to measure gender equality aspects in the outcomes and outputs of the course?
- Have measures been put in place to ensure equal and meaningful opportunities for people of different genders to be involved throughout the proposed course development? This includes authors of the course, administrators and prospective students availing the course.
- Please articulate any expected impacts of the proposed course (benefits and losses) on people of different genders, both throughout the project and beyond.
- Please articulate if the proposed course would impact relations between people of different genders in terms of changing gender norms, roles and responsibilities in households, gender roles in society, economy, politics, power, etc.
- What risks and/or negative consequences on gender equality do you anticipate? How can these be mitigated? How will you monitor this?

British Council reserve the right to reject the application if no consideration has been given to gender equality or if the proposal is assessed to result in a negative impact on gender equality.

## 8 Eligibility

Applicants must jointly fill the online application form (Section 13: Application Process). The proposal must be a joint application, with **minimum four partnering institutions** with representation from both UK and India institutions. This composition must have at least one Lead Applicant based at a UK institution, at least one Co-applicant based at an Indian institution and the rest can be from either country. Maximum number of partnering institutions for this grant is, **up to eight institutions**, with clear roles in the consortium. Lead Applicant from the UK will be considered as the principal applicant for the proposal, as their institution will receive the funding.

Applications must have the support of all participating Indian and UK institutions, confirmed by supporting letters uploaded in the online application. In this round, only one application may be submitted per Lead Applicant, but there is no limit to the number of applications submitted per institution.

Proposals must fulfil the following criteria in order to be eligible for funding under this Programme:

- Must have existing successful collaboration with one or more Indian University for more than one year in any area such as joint collaboration for twinning arrangements etc.
- Must demonstrate the consent of Indian partner in setting up of teaching learning collaboration and demonstrate how the grant will be utilised to expand scope of the collaboration, if such collaboration already exists.
- Must be able to demonstrate resources and other funds being committed towards this collaboration and any value added to the grant will be desirable.
- Must have demonstrated international experience of setting up TNE collaborations and articulation agreements in other parts of the world which they could use to shape their Indian engagement within the provisions of UGC regulations.
- Preference will be given to partnerships within a consortium sponsored or approved by State governments in India and aligned to State priorities in Higher Education.
- All tertiary Higher Educational Institutions (public or private) that are recognised by the State government or Central government and its institutions like UGC (University Grants Commission) or AICTE (All India Council for Technical Education) in India, can apply. In case of doubt, please do check with British Council.
- Lead Applicant and Co-applicants must be permanent employees of their institution(s) (this means that emeritus and honorary professors may not apply as lead) and/or their contract end date must be later than the date of completion of this grant.

- Individual departments within a single institution can make multiple applications per call provided that the proposed activities are clearly distinct.
- Lead Applicant and Co-Applicants may only submit one Going Global Partnerships Collaborative Grant application per call.
- Lead Applicant and Co-applicants who have received grants from British Council or any other funding agency **in previous years** for course development, can submit further applications for Going Global Partnerships Collaborative Grant, provided the proposed course development is clearly distinct from the earlier one. Also, the proposed course or a teaching and learning activity should not already be funded through any other grant funded programme. In all cases, such assurance must be clearly articulated in the application form.

Organisations affiliated to Higher Education institutions in the UK or any other country and based in India (e.g., an overseas campus) are not eligible for awarded grants.

Eligibility checks will be applied to all applications on receipt.

## 9. **Funding**

### **Other conditions of Award of the Collaborative Grant**

- Each proposal can be budgeted between £30,000 to £100,000.
- Preference will be given if the themes for joint collaborative teaching learning development is in areas where there is a demonstratable strong market demand and/or for which there a gap in the current available opportunities for Indian students.
- The themes and subjects selected for the teaching learning modules should not be culturally insensitive, controversial or matters related to the internal security of India. Other than this requirement, it is open to all subject areas.
- The grant will be disbursed in two tranches, by December 2021 and March 2022. British Council will disburse 75 per cent grant in first tranche and the remaining 25 percent of the grant in second tranche.
- Grants will be disbursed to the UK University of the Lead Applicant and they will be responsible for the modalities of sharing the grants with their Indian and UK partner institutions for activities related to the project. There is no requirement for the split to be of a particular ratio, but it should be mutual and equitably address the goal of the partnership and in agreement will all partners in the consortium or partnership.
- It is expected that grant awardees will share an Interim report of the 70 per cent of the activities, particularly around creation of the course materials; consultancy for development of joint courses and credit mapping by 15 March 2022. The remaining 30 per cent activity entails completion of the Pilot module for actual teaching-learning delivery from April 2022 till December 2022. Therefore, grant utilisation period will be open till 31 December 2022 with Final Report submission by January 2023, after which British Council may seek refund for the unutilised part or whole of the grant as applicable, after this date.

- Lead Applicant and Co-applicants in the consortium will be asked to keep and submit receipts and invoices to demonstrate their grant utilisation until 31 December 2022. They are required to submit Full Grant Utilisation statement along with invoices or receipts for each category. Lead Applicant's UK University are required to keep all expenditure documents for a minimum of three years for audit purpose.
- Full checks of supporting documentation will be carried out on a proportion of the grants.
- Further monitoring and evaluation will also be carried out, that will be specified in the Grant Agreement to be signed between British Council and the UK University.
- There are three budget categories under which Applicants can plan their activities:
  - A. International Travel and Accommodation
  - B. Bursary for students taking the Pilot course(s)
  - C. Professional Consultancy Fees and Project Activity
  - D. Staff time and other Delivery costs

Please see Appendix 1 for maximum permissible percentages that can be budgeted for each budget category.

Format for budget submission will be part of the Application form, available in the 'Download' section of the web announcement. You may refer to Section 13, 'Application Process' in this document.

## 10. **Milestones**

**Key Milestones and their timelines to submit your grant application for Collaborative Grant are:**

<b>Key Milestones</b>	<b>Timelines</b>
Call for Application	6 September 2021
Last date for receipt of queries related to submission of application	16 September 2021
Call Closed	25 October 2021
Result Declaration (Tentative)	15 November 2021
Request for Feedback	18 November 2021 to 22 November 2021
Signing of Grant Agreement and 75% Grant Disbursement	By 31 December 2021
70% of activities to be delivered by Indian and UK Universities; Interim Report Submission	15 March 2022
Second tranche of 25% Grant disbursement	By 31 March 2022
Remaining 30% of activities to be completed with closure of finances; Final Report Submission	31 December 2022; By 31 January 2023
British Council to issue Project Closure Certificate	February 2023

**11. Reporting**

Lead Applicant from the UK University must submit an outcome report of the project before 30 days of the contract expiry, as a condition of the grant.

The final report template will be sent to successful Lead Applicant as a part of the grant agreement and will include financial and narrative sections.

Lead Applicant and Co-applicants may be asked to participate in a monitoring and evaluation exercise by a third party, for which they will be contacted separately.

**12. Diversity**

The British Council is committed to equal opportunities and diversity in all our activities. This includes avoidance of bias due to gender, disability, racial or ethnic origin, sexual orientation, or religious belief.

Lead Applicant and Co-applicants are encouraged to work towards as equal a gender balance as possible and promote diversity and must ensure that no applicants are excluded from participation on the basis of ethnicity, gender, religious belief, sexual orientation or disability.

Please contact us for further information on the British Council's approach, see our Equality Policy at: <https://www.britishcouncil.org/organisation/transparency/policies/equality-diversity-inclusion>.

## APPENDIX 1: GRANT RATES

### Budget heads

- A. **International travel and Accommodation:** include economy class return airfare, visa costs, travel insurance and local transport from the UK airport to the place of stay. It also includes accommodation.

**Maximum 10 per cent of the available budget can be allocated to this category.**

- B. **Bursary (Student Scholarships):** This can be used for subsidising or covering the cost of student's participation of a course being delivered transnationally. Bursary can be utilised as a course fees etc. to complete an online course for which there will be a face-to-face assessment. It could also cover any resource the student may need if it involves some research in research-oriented assignments.

**Maximum 50 per cent of the available budget can be allocated to this category.**

- C. **Professional Consultation Fees and Project Activity:** This includes professional fees for officials and Consultation Fees for UK sector experts like QAA, ENIC etc.

**Maximum 35 percent of the available budget can be allocated to this category.**

- D. **Staff time and other Delivery Cost:** This cost can be used in designing reports, workshops, printing and Communication, cost of running pilot modules/course etc.

**Maximum 5 percent of the available budget can be allocated to this category.**

Please note the maximum available budget in each budget head is summarised below.

#### Maximum available budget under each head

- International travel and Accommodation – 10%
- Bursary – 50%
- Professional Consultation Fees and Project Activity – 35%
- Staff time and other Delivery costs – 5%



## **Schedule 6**

### **Reporting Requirements**

The Recipient shall comply with, and complete and return any forms or reports from time to time required by, the British Council Requirements. British Council team will share the Interim and Final report templates for Recipient in due course, to submit as per below timelines:

**Interim Report – To be submitted by 10 March 2022**

**Final Report – To be submitted by 31 January 2023**

## Schedule 7

### Bank Details

The grant recipient should submit Bank Account Details in the below format for transfer of funds.

Text boxes will automatically expand as you type in the details. **Guidance notes on next page**

Organisation or applicant full name	
Organisation or applicant registered address	
Bank account holder's name	
Bank & Branch Name	
Bank Branch Address	
Bank Branch Postcode	
Account Number	
Sort code (UK)	
Swift/International BIC Code	
IBAN Number	
Fedwire/ABA Routing Number (for USA banks only)	
Registered VAT number (if applicable)	
Company registration number (if applicable)	
The British Council will pay in <b>payment currency agreed by BC</b>	
Confirm the account specified will accept payments in the currency above	<input type="checkbox"/> confirmed
<b>Routing Bank Information:</b> If the payment requires to be redirected via a routing bank please provide the routing information below. The following information must be provided if the IBAN / SWIFT numbers do not correspond with your bank account number and sort code details.	
<b>Routing bank &amp; branch name</b>	
<b>Routing Account number:</b>	
<b>Routing Bank &amp; Branch Code / Sort code (UK)</b>	
Routing IBAN Number	
Routing Swift/International BIC Code	
Other routing code	

### Your details

I confirm that the details provided above are full and accurate. Missing or incorrect information may result in attempted payments made by the British Council being returned from your bank as unsuccessful. The British Council will accept no responsibility for any delays or loss that occurs as a result.

Name	Position
Signature	Date

**Person to contact for payment queries and notification of payment**

Name	Position
Email address	Tel. no

Please ensure that you provide accurate information especially for payment made in other currency than GBP. Missing or incorrect information may result in attempted payments made by the British Council being returned from your bank as unsuccessful. The British Council will accept no responsibility for any delays or loss that occurs as a result.

## Schedule 8

### Brand Identity Guidelines

## **Communications and branding guidelines for Going Global Partnerships – Collaborative Grant recipients**

### **Introduction**

This document is for anyone working on a project / in a partnership that is receiving grant funding from the British Council's Going Global Partnerships-Collaborative Grant initiative.

Going Global Partnerships – Collaborative Grant is part of a wider British Council programme for higher education and TVET called [Going Global Partnerships](#).

In this document, you will find communications guidance to help you describe:

- Going Global Partnerships – Collaborative Grant
- Going Global Partnerships
- Your project / partnership's relationship to Collaborative grant and Going Global Partnerships.

You will also find standard messaging to use in your materials and communications, plus information about how to access and use the British Council's logo.

**Please contact [GoingGlobalPartnerships@britishcouncil.org](mailto:GoingGlobalPartnerships@britishcouncil.org) for sign-off before publishing messaging relating to Going Global Partnerships – Collaborative Grant and before using the British Council logo.**

### **Communications guidance and messaging**

Please use the following messaging to describe Collaborative Grant and Going Global Partnerships and your project / partnership's relationship to both, and to acknowledge the support you have received from the British Council. This text must be used on press releases and other announcements. Please ensure the text appears in the 'notes to editors' section of press releases.

**Please note that press releases and other communications must be shared with the British Council at least five working days before issue. Please contact [GoingGlobalPartnerships@britishcouncil.org](mailto:GoingGlobalPartnerships@britishcouncil.org) for press release sign off.**

Preferred version for communications:

[Name of your project / partnership] is supported by a Going Global Partnerships – Collaborative Grant from the British Council. The Going Global Partnerships – Collaborative Grant supports collaboration and innovation in teaching and learning and Transnational Education in Higher Education Institutions between India and the UK.

Going Global Partnerships – Collaborative Grant is part of a wider British Council programme called Going Global Partnerships, which builds stronger, more inclusive, internationally connected higher education and TVET systems.

For more information, please visit [www.britishcouncil.org/going-global-partnerships](http://www.britishcouncil.org/going-global-partnerships).

Shorter version for when space is limited:

[Name of your project / partnership] is supported by a Going Global Partnerships – Collaborative Grant from the British Council's [Going Global Partnerships](#) programme. The programme builds stronger, more inclusive, internationally connected higher education and TVET systems.

When talking about your project on social media, please use the hashtag #GoingGlobalPartnerships. You may also wish to include the British Council's higher education Twitter handle @HEGoingGlobal.

## Using the British Council logo

When communicating about your work as part of Going Global Partnerships – Collaborative Grant, please include the appropriate British Council descriptor logo to acknowledge the support you have received from the British Council.

Any logo use must be in accordance with British Council guidelines and must be signed off by the British Council's Brand Team via [GoingGlobalPartnerships@britishcouncil.org](mailto:GoingGlobalPartnerships@britishcouncil.org) prior to publication. Please allow five working days for sign-off.

The logo should be shown clearly across all relevant materials such as presentations, programme booklets, websites and posters.

There are different colour versions of the logo:

- The preferred version is indigo
- There is a white version for use on dark backgrounds
- There is a black version for when printing in black and white.

You can download the British Council logo you need and access usage guidelines from our [Brand Hub](#).

You need to register for the brand hub. When you do so, your British Council contact will have to confirm you are working on a British Council grant funded project, and they will direct you to the logo usage guidelines before access is granted. Further guidance on which descriptor logo to use, plus how to use the logo, will be provided from [GoingGlobalPartnerships@britishcouncil.org](mailto:GoingGlobalPartnerships@britishcouncil.org).