

Quantum Technologies for Fundamental Physics (QTFP) programme

Call for proposals

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Summary

STFC and EPSRC invite applications for research consortia to apply for funding as part of the Quantum Technologies for Fundamental Physics (QTFP) programme. The programme is a joint venture run by both STFC and EPSRC that intends to transform our approach to understanding the universe. The aim of this experimental programme is to demonstrate how the application of quantum technologies will advance the understanding of fundamental physics questions.

The programme has total funds of up to £40m. The majority of funding (c. £36m) will be allocated to this research call, which is looking to fund up to seven projects at upwards of £2m each (at 80% fEC). Applicants wishing to submit a proposal for a large award (>£5m) should discuss this with STFC (contact details below) ahead of the submission. A second research call for smaller grant awards to exploit new opportunities arising from the funded programme is also anticipated.

This research call is for research consortia, i.e. joint proposals with a common research programme from groups of researchers in more than one organisation. Successful applications will require interdisciplinary research teams comprising researchers from both the fundamental physics and quantum technology communities.

Applicants must complete an online Intention to Submit form prior to submission of a full proposal.

Grants will commence on 1 May 2020 and end no later than 30 September 2023. Successful projects will be expected to show tangible outcomes and results within the lifespan of the funding.

Successful applicants will be expected to form an internal oversight committee to which an STFC/EPSRC representative will be invited to attend and will meet on a quarterly basis. The Principal Investigator (PI) or a nominated representative will report to the QTFP Programme Management Board (PMB) no less than twice annually in addition to this.

Potential applicants are encouraged to read these guidance notes in conjunction with the STFC Research Grants Handbook (<https://stfc.ukri.org/research-grants-handbook/>).

Key Dates (please note all dates marked * are subject to change):

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| Call open | 30 September 2019 |
| Deadline for Intention to Submit | 31 October 2019 |
| Deadline for full proposals | 3 December 2019 |
| Full proposal postal peer review | December 2019 – January 2020* |
| Deadline for PI response | w/c 10 February 2020* |
| Panel meeting | March 2020* |
| Funding decision | April 2020* |
| Grant start date | 1 May 2020 |

Background

The National Quantum Technology Programme (NQTP) has made investments in foundational quantum technologies that, following rapid development, have reached a point at which applications in fundamental science areas are now possible. Recent community interactions, and international developments, have highlighted the requirement for a new interdisciplinary community bringing together STFC and EPSRC funded physicists/quantum scientists and quantum technologists to create an environment in which there is an opportunity for leaps in both knowledge and technology. Part of this ambition is to position the UK as a world leader in the exploitation of quantum technology for physics applications.

This programme represents an opportunity to build on the UK's current capabilities in physics and quantum technology and establish a network of practitioners working in this area. It is envisaged that the programme will widen the uptake of quantum science and quantum technology throughout the science research base further increasing the reach and utilisation of the advances made possible with this technology.

The stated objectives of the QTFP programme include:

- To establish a new community to exploit quantum technology for fundamental physics
- To generate research outputs deemed excellent by international peer review
- To become an active part of the National Quantum Technology Programme (NQTP)
- To create the opportunity in the UK for new patents, new products and start-up companies as a result of developing new or improved equipment that will be needed to support the scientific work programme

Equality, Diversity and Inclusion

The long term strength of the UK research base depends on harnessing all the available talent and the Research Councils have together developed the ambitious UK Research and Innovation Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Action Plan

<https://www.ukri.org/files/legacy/skills/action-plan-edi-2016/>

In line with the UK Research and Innovation Diversity Principles, STFC and EPSRC expect that equality and diversity is embedded at all levels and in all aspects of research practice. We are committed to supporting the research community in the diverse ways a research career can be built with our investments. This includes career breaks, support for people with caring responsibilities, flexible working and alternative working patterns. With this in mind, we welcome applications from academics who job share, have a part-time contract, need flexible working arrangements or those currently committed to other longer, large existing grants. Please see our Equality and Diversity webpages at <https://stfc.ukri.org/funding/promoting-equality-and-diversity/> for further information.

Remit of the Call

Eligible applications must apply quantum technologies to fundamental physics questions. Fundamental physics covers quantum science, astronomy, particle physics, particle astrophysics and nuclear physics. This includes topics such as, but not limited to:

- Search for Dark Matter
- Macroscopic quantum effects
- Quantum simulators

- Searches for violations of fundamental symmetries of nature
- Gravitational effects
- Quantum observatory
- Neutrino mass studies

It is expected that all funded projects will show how quantum technologies will enhance or enable their research area of interest. This may include technological development or use of existing quantum technologies. Applicants can apply for a UK contribution to an international project. Applicants are advised to contact STFC if they have any queries regarding the scope of the call before completing the Intention to Submit form.

Funding priority will be given to scientific experiments of the highest importance and impact using a range of different strategic technologies. No prioritisation will be given for proposals that focus on topics in the above list.

This research call is for research consortia. All funded projects will be expected to include researchers from both the fundamental physics and quantum technology communities. This is an experimental programme, but it is acceptable for research consortia to include participation from theoretical physicists.

It is anticipated funds will be available for up to seven successful consortia applications and the panel will look to fund a balanced portfolio of projects within the programme.

Eligibility

This opportunity is open to all individuals and organisations eligible for UKRI funding. Normal individual eligibility rules apply which can be found on the UKRI website <https://www.ukri.org/funding/how-to-apply/eligibility/>. Eligible institutions include approved UK higher education institutions (HEIs), approved research council institutes (RCIs), including the national laboratories and approved Independent Research Organisations (IROs). Full details of approved RCIs and IROs can be found on the UKRI website at the link above. Public Sector Research Establishments (PSREs) are asked to contact the office (see Contacts below) to check if they are eligible.

If organisations wish to apply to be eligible for UKRI funding, guidance and the application forms are available at the UKRI website above. The completed forms will be assessed by STFC and the UKRI Finance Assurance Team before final authorisation by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS). It is advised that applications are submitted well in advance of the call closing date due to the complex nature of this process. Such organisations are encouraged to contact the STFC office as soon as possible.

No funds are available for researchers or organisations based outside the UK. All normal funding levels (80% fEC) and matched capital resource apply to the programme (see equipment section).

Principal Investigators (PIs) can only lead on a maximum of one application but may be a named Co-Investigator on other applications. All Co-investigators should ensure that they are able to make a full and significant contribution, for example one day per week, to work packages to ensure successful delivery. All contributions should be fully justified as part of the application process and will be considered by the panel as part of peer review.

Potential applicants are encouraged to contact the STFC office (see Contacts) well in advance of the closing date if they have any queries regarding eligibility.

Governance Requirements

Each research consortium will be required to establish an internal oversight committee to manage the work of the consortium and ensure the scope and specific project objectives are delivered as planned. UKRI reserve the right to have a representative on these committees, however the management and running of these will be the responsibility of funded projects. Each committee must include external independent members and have plans in place for gathering any further independent advice or guidance. See Additional Grant Conditions – Governance for more information.

How to Apply – Intention to Submit Stage

Applicants must register for this call first by completing the Intention to Submit (ItS) online form that is located on the call webpage: <https://stfc.ukri.org/funding/research-grants/funding-opportunities/quantum-technologies-for-fundamental-physics/>. This must be submitted by 16.00 on 31 October 2019. **Applicants that do not register their intent to submit before the deadline will be ineligible for the call.**

The ItS will not be formally assessed. The ItS stage will allow STFC to evaluate fit to call scope and allow early consideration of potential reviewers and panel members. STFC will only provide feedback to those applicants where the ItS appears not to be in the scope of the call. Unless contacted by STFC, applicants should submit a full application by the full proposal deadline.

The ItS form includes the following required fields:

- Principal Investigator (PI) name
- PI contact email address
- Lead Research Organisation (RO)
- Names of any other partner UK ROs
- Project title
- Project summary (up to 2000 characters including spaces)
- Approximate level of funding to be requested (estimate only – this can change when the full proposal is submitted)

Applicants wishing to submit a proposal for a large award (>£5m) should discuss this with STFC (see Contacts below) ahead of the submission of the full application.

Submitting a Full Application

All applications should be made *via* the Joint Electronic Submissions (Je-S) platform. Applicants should leave enough time for their application to pass through their (and their collaborators where applicable) internal Je-S submission routes before the call closes at **16.00 on 3 December 2019**. It will not be possible to submit to the call after this time. Any application that is incomplete, or does not meet the published eligibility criteria or follow STFC's submission rules, will be office rejected and not be considered.

Each collaborating institution will fill in the JeS Proforma with individual costings (agreed as

part of the overall consortia funding envelope). The case for support and other supporting documents will be common for all collaborators within the consortia and therefore all consortia applications should be linked. Je-S functionality allows such proposals to be linked (as parent and child grants) and this linkage is supported by the grants system. Applicants are therefore expected to use the linking functionality. Please refer to the Je-S Helptext page for further help with this:

<https://je-s.rcuk.ac.uk/Handbook/pages/GuidanceonCompletingaStandardG/JointProposals.htm>

When adding a new proposal, you should select:

- Council: 'STFC'
- Document type: 'Standard Proposal'
- Scheme: Standard
- Call: 'Quantum Technologies for Fundamental Physics Dec 19'

The required documents (listed below) should be uploaded through Je-S, and labelled accordingly. If any documents not listed, such as results, list of publications etc. are included the application will be returned for removal and if not completed in time, not sent for review. The guidelines on writing applications below provide further details on requirements for each mandatory attachment type.

| Attachment type | Maximum Page length | Mandatory/Optional |
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| Case for Support inc track record and justification of resources | Ten pages | Mandatory |
| Pathways to Impact | Two pages | Mandatory |
| Gantt Chart and Management plan | Three pages | Mandatory |
| Data management plan | Two pages | Mandatory |
| Project Partner Letters of Support | Two pages per letter | Mandatory if relevant |
| Letters of support | Two pages per letter | Optional |
| Equipment quotes | No page limits | As required |
| Equipment business case | Two pages each | As required- for items or combined assets with a value above the OJEU limit (£164,176). |
| Cover letter | Two pages | Optional - not seen by panel or reviewers |
| Other | any | Optional - not seen by panel or reviewers |

Guidelines on Writing a Full Application

All documents should conform to the guidelines described in the [Je-S help text](#).

Case for Support

The case for support should be no longer than ten pages in total and conform to the font and margin guidelines in the [Je-S help text](#). It is the responsibility of the principal applicant to ensure that information is worded in such a way as to protect commercial, confidential, or sensitive data (see Data Protection below). The ten page Case of Support must include information under the following headings. Applications **WILL BE REJECTED** by the office for non-compliance with these directions.

Up to **six pages** of the application must include:

- Aims and background

Outline the main aims of the proposal and who will benefit from the project. Demonstrate how the project meets the stated aims of the QTFP programme with reference to the assessment criteria. Describe the current status of the scientific area and the relevance of the project in an international context. Please make clear the benefits to the UK of working in this area and any international links where relevant.

- Research programme and work plan

Describe the research programme with detail on specific work packages, assigning responsibility between partners. The summary should provide sufficient detail for referees to assess fully the technical aspects of the proposed project.

- Project deliverables

Identify what the direct outputs will be at the end of this grant (please be specific). Projects are expected to show the generation of results and/or use of quantum technologies within the lifespan of the project.

- Risk Analysis

Applicants should show that they have identified risks and developed alternative strategies to mitigate these. The applicants should consider both technical, programmatic and, where relevant, commercial risks

Up to two pages may be used for track records of the collaborators involved in the proposal. In particular previous experience of working in interdisciplinary teams should be noted.

The remaining **2 pages** of the application must be used for

- Justification of Resources

State the resources requested by all the project collaborators, and provide a full justification for them. Any cross-cutting items should clearly indicate which work packages they are tied to, and how the cost is to be split between the different projects. Projects are encouraged to ensure management and impact costs are included and justified in the application. Funding for a project/consortium manager will be an eligible cost.

The panel reserve the right to adjust proposed costings if they are not fully justified and do not represent good value for money. As noted in the Eligibility section, all Co-investigators should ensure that they are able to make a full and significant contribution, for example one day per week, to work packages to ensure successful delivery. Requests for small amounts of time for other staff categories will be scrutinised to ensure they are necessary to the project. Where deemed unnecessary the panel are empowered to cut such costs and revise the amount awarded accordingly.

Pathways to Impact

Successful applicants will be required to develop and execute a strategy for engaging with potential users of the research funded in the project. Any resources required for this should be included in the pathways to impact section and in the justification of resources in the case for support. This should include how the project will contribute to the stated aim of the QTFP programme to build a new community working in the combined areas of fundamental physics and quantum technology.

Up to two pages are available in the pathways to impact attachment to explain what will be done to ensure the potential beneficiaries have the opportunity to benefit. More details on what should be included in this document, and what resources could be sought, can be found on the UK Research and Innovation Pathways to Impact webpage (<https://www.ukri.org/innovation/excellence-with-impact/pathways-to-impact/>).

Gantt chart and Management plan

This must include a one page Gantt chart. The remaining two pages should include the strategy for using the flexibility of the resources (both staff and finance), and the day-to-day management strategy for ensuring individual research projects meet the overall vision for the programme. Provide a clear description of responsibilities and accountabilities throughout the project. Enough detail must be given to assure reviewers and panel members that projects will be properly managed and have set up systems to deal with the interdisciplinary nature of the projects that will be funded. Funding for a project/consortium manager will be an eligible cost.

Details of the strategy for seeking external advice, including plans for the internal oversight board and the monitoring strategy should also be included. This should include the major decision points and how this will be used to reassess the direction of the research in line with reporting requirements to the QTFP Programme Management Board.

Data Management Plan

It is anticipated that all applications will produce or collect data during the course of the proposed project. The development of a data management plan as an attachment to the Je-S pro forma is mandatory for all proposals to this call. The plan should be no longer than two pages of A4. The plan, together with any costs associated with it, will be considered and assessed by the normal peer review process. The data management plan should explain how the data will be managed over the lifetime of the project and, where appropriate, preserved for future re-use. Applications that do not have a data management plan will not be accepted. More information can be found in the [Research Grants Handbook](#).

Letters of Support (including project partner letters if relevant)

Project Partner letters of support must be included if part of the application. Other letters of support may be included from other relevant parties not directly involved in the project but who support the objectives, for example, potential end users. All letters should:

- Be dated within six months of the submission

- Be no more than two sides of A4 in length
- Detail their interest and involvement in the project in terms of specific objectives and desired outcomes together
- Where relevant, detail the projected market size, customers, and sales and how the company will commercialise the technology beyond the project
- Detail specific contributions to the project (either cash or in kind) with a justifiable monetary value where relevant. These contributions should be also be stated in the Case for Support

For more information please see the STFC [Research Grants Handbook](#).

Equipment

Applications for Capital equipment may be included. Individual items of equipment between £10,000 and £400,000 can be included on proposals if the equipment is essential to the proposed research and if no appropriate alternative provision can be accessed. Research organisations are expected to contribute about 50% of the cost of such equipment items. Additional justification of the requirement for individual items of equipment between £10,000 and £400,000, and details of the proposed contribution to the cost of the equipment, must be provided in the justification of resources. For equipment over £10k to be used for the purpose of instrument development, please see the guidelines at <https://www.ukri.org/files/funding/tcs/equipment-guidance-pdf/>.

For any items or combined assets with a value above £115k (£138k including VAT) a two-page Equipment Business Case must also be included with the application, outlining the strategic need for the equipment. A template is available for this (see equipment guidelines link below). For single items of equipment over £115k (£138k including VAT) three quotes should be attached. Where you believe that there are less than three potential suppliers for an item you should explain this in the justification of resources and upload two blank documents as equipment quotes.

Any items of equipment with a value in excess of £138,000 that are funded on research grants will need to be reported on annually as part of the University's Equipment Account Annual Reports.

Please see the [equipment guidelines](#) in the STFC Research Grants Handbook for the latest terms and conditions.

Data Protection

Grants submitted via Je-S are done so under their [terms and conditions](#). Please make sure you have permission from any relevant bodies before submitting any sensitive data. STFC will not be held accountable if data submitted has been done so without the relevant permissions sought.

Assessment Process

Confidentiality and Conflicts of Interest

STFC takes all reasonable steps to ensure that the contents of submitted applications are treated as confidential. All members of the Panel sign a non-disclosure agreement and peer reviewers must comply with the Research Councils Reviewer Protocols – details can be found on Je-S. Reviewers and Panel members are asked to declare conflicts of interest in relation to an application before they are asked to assess. Panel members are asked to leave the room when a proposal from their own institution, or a proposal or project on which they are otherwise conflicted, is being discussed. Any conflicts of interest are identified prior

to discussing a proposal and recorded by the office. Each proposal is considered in turn with the introducer leading the discussion by providing an overview of the proposed science, taking account of Reviewer comments, Panel questions and Applicant's responses. See <https://stfc.ukri.org/funding/research-grants/peer-review-and-assessment/> for more guidance on STFC's peer review procedures.

Nominating reviewers

Each proposal will be assessed by external reviewers, who may be based internationally. All applicants are asked at the full application stage to nominate **three** reviewers, one of whom must be based internationally. The applicant's nominated reviewers should not be a current or previous collaborator, a personal friend or family member, neither should they be from the applicant's or collaborator's home institution(s). Should it arise the reviewer is in violation of this, the nominated reviewer will not be invited to review. Applicants can use Je-S to indicate the reviewers as an 'other' type of attachment.

Intention to Submit stage

This call will have an Intention to Submit (ItS) stage. Applicants that do not register their intent to submit before the relevant deadline will be ineligible for the call. The ItS stage will allow STFC to evaluate fit to call scope and allow early consideration of potential reviewers and panel members. STFC will only provide feedback to those applicants where the ItS appears not to be in the scope of the call. STFC reserve the right to reject full proposals where they are deemed out of scope of this call.

Full stage assessment

Following the submission deadline, full applications will be sent to external peer review, and then assessed by an independent panel.

Each applicant has the opportunity to respond to the reviewer comments before the panel meeting. All key dates (including an estimated date for this response) will be sent to any eligible applicants (PIs) following submission.

The PI Response should be a maximum of two pages, (with a guideline of half a page per review). This should be submitted within five working days of receipt. For more information and font and margin guidelines please see the [Je-S Helptext](#).

Applicants may be invited to present and be interviewed about the proposal at the panel meeting. Each consortia will be allowed up to three representatives which should include the PI or a nominated representative and must include a representative from each of the communities (Fundamental Physics/Quantum Science, Quantum Technologies) involved in the application.

The panel recommendations will also be considered by the QTFP Programme Board, with advice from advisory boards such as STFC Science Board, to ensure a balanced portfolio of projects receive funding. The final funding decisions will be determined by STFC, at which point applicants will be informed of the outcome with appropriate feedback.

Please note that if demand is high STFC reserves the right to convene an expert panel to sift uncompetitive full proposals prior to the main panel meeting. Applicants who are rejected at this stage, should it prove necessary, will receive feedback in the form of a brief summary of the expert panel's views.

Assessment Criteria

Applications will be assessed against the following criteria. Each criteria will be assigned a score by the panel, based on the information provided by the applicant and feedback from external reviewers. This score will be used to determine which projects receive funding. The primary criteria will be given a greater weighting than the secondary criteria.

Primary criteria:

- Research and Scientific merit of the proposal

The proposal must demonstrate that research of the highest quality will be undertaken allowing for the potential for the project to position the UK as a world leader in the application of quantum technologies for fundamental physics. The research project should be ambitious, creative and innovative. It should be clearly stated how the proposal represents advances in scientific knowledge and understanding. The research should also indicate where results could lead beyond the lifetime of the grant and have significant impact beyond its immediate group.

- Feasibility

Proposals should demonstrate their ability to produce results and/or technology advances within the lifetime of the funding.

- Contribution to the establishment of a new community

The application must describe how the proposal will contribute to the formation of a new community to exploit quantum technology for fundamental physics. Information should be provided on how the proposed collaboration will form and develop international and national links, including to the National Quantum Technology Programme.

- Strength and appropriateness of the proposed collaboration

The principal investigator should have brought together a world-class team bringing together the necessary expertise in fundamental physics/quantum science and quantum technology to achieve the vision.

Secondary criteria:

- Effectiveness of the proposed planning and management, including risk management strategy

The proposal must demonstrate that there is a clear management plan, which will ensure that resources, including staff resource, are deployed in the most effective way to deliver high quality research outputs and represent an appropriate investment of UKRI funds. This must include the formation of the required internal oversight committee, risk management and monitoring activities.

- Value for Money

Proposals must demonstrate requested funds and staffing are appropriate, and represent good value for money, including any facility use costs. The panel reserve the right to adjust proposed costings if this criteria is not met. (See Guidelines on writing a full application – justification of resources.)

- Impact and Societal Benefit

This criteria assesses the extent to which the outputs of the proposed work show direct or indirect potential for impact and societal benefit. This should be clearly articulated in the pathways to impact plan and show the link between the fundamental research programme and the wider NQTP.

Programme portfolio

To ensure the optimum value is achieved from the funding available, the portfolio of projects recommended for funding will be reviewed by the QTFP Programme Board with advice from advisory boards such as the QTFP Strategic Advisory Committee and STFC Science Board. This stage of the application process will consider the ideal balance of science and technology areas to meet the objectives of the QTFP programme, in the context of the applications received and the recommendations of the peer review panel. It will also consider adjustments to the funding recommendations, for example if there is potential duplication in the scope of recommended projects.

Collaboration Agreements

For successful applications a collaboration agreement between all collaborators must be sent to the STFC office, including details on the ownership of any IP where relevant, and detail on the agreed process for managing the resources, as specified in the management strategy before funding can start. STFC has noted that these agreements can take a long time to finalise and we advise you to have draft agreements drawn up before the outcome of the full submission is known. Failure to do so will mean the grant cannot become active. For further details please see the Research Grants Handbook section [7.2](#) and [7.4](#). Example model research collaboration agreements that may be used as a basis for specific agreements between partners have been developed through the [Lambert toolkit](#) for collaborative research.

Additional Grant Conditions

Grants are awarded under the [standard UKRI grant conditions](#). The following extra grant conditions will also apply:

Consortium Agreement: Notwithstanding RGC 12 Exploitation and Impact, effective collaborative agreements between University partners must be in place within 3 months of the grant's start date and regularly updated as applicable. The agreement should detail the process of any flexible allocation of resources throughout the project, accessibility and sharing of research outputs and outcomes, ownership of intellectual property and rights to exploitation for the benefit of the UK where appropriate. Confirmation and a copy of this agreement must be sent to the STFC QTFP programme manager at QTFP@stfc.ukri.org.

Review: In addition to the requirements set out in standard UKRI grant conditions RGC 7.4 Research Monitoring and Evaluation and RGC 7.5 Disclosure and Inspection, the QTFP Programme Management Board reserve the right to instigate a review of all or part of the grant at any stage during the lifetime of the award as well as after the grant has finished. STFC will give the Grant Holder due notice of the date of any review and will provide details of the Terms of Reference and documentation required.

Reporting: In addition to the requirements set out in the standard UKRI grant condition RGC 7.4 Research Monitoring and Evaluation, the Grant Holder is responsible for providing

annual progress reports which include financial and non-financial performance metrics. The annual report format will be agreed with the Grant Holder upon commencement of the grant.

Sanctions: In accordance with RGC 11 Sanctions, STFC reserves the right to suspend the grant and withhold further payments if the performance output metrics requested are not provided by the stated deadlines or determined to be of an unacceptable standard by the STFC QTFP programme manager. The Research Organisation will be formally notified in writing if a suspension occurs. Any costs incurred during this period, irrespective of source, will be incurred at risk with subsequent STFC payments being withheld should any discrepancies remain unresolved.

Governance: STFC will nominate a member of UKRI staff who will be your primary point of contact. This individual should have access to all documentation of Governance and Reporting bodies, in so far as it relates to the administration and application of the grant. As funding administrators, all UKRI staff have agreed to maintain the confidentiality required by all parties involved in STFC/EP SRC funded research.

The Grant Holder must establish and run an Oversight Committee, to manage the work of the research consortium and ensure that the scope and specific project objectives are delivered as planned. This committee must meet on a quarterly basis. The terms of reference of this committee should be agreed with the STFC office and should include independent membership and an independent Chair. A nominated STFC/EP SRC representative is expected to be invited to the meetings of this committee for the duration of the grant and participate where relevant. The STFC QTFP programme manager must receive all meeting minutes.

Researchfish

All award holders are required to submit any outputs from their QTFP project on the [Researchfish platform](#). Award holders are required to provide information about outputs arising from their work annually during the award period, and for at least five years after the award has terminated. The QTFP Programme Management Board will monitor outputs on all grants.

Contacts

Potential applicants are welcome to contact the office to discuss their proposal, and the STFC Swindon Office will be able to help and provide advice on applications where appropriate. Please contact the QTFP Programme Manager:

Rachel Reynolds, email: QTFP@stfc.ukri.org; tel: 01793 44 2832

Any queries regarding the submission of proposals through Je-S should be directed to:

The Je-S helpdesk, email: JeSHelp@je-s.ukri.org; tel: 01793 44 4164

Useful Links

Below is a list of links which applicants may find useful when applying for UKRI grants:

[Peer review framework](#)

[Researchfish](#)

[Equality of opportunity](#)

[Unconscious Bias](#)

[JeS Handbook](#)

[STFC Research Grants Handbook](#)

[UKRI Terms and Conditions](#)