**ALIGN Fund Application**

**Application Form: Funding-stream 1**

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**Instructions for completing your application**

* Before completing this proposal application form, please ensure you have read the *ALIGN Fund Terms of Reference* document for an overview of the application procedure and to ensure you meet the eligibility criteria.
* Errors or omissions will delay or potentially disqualify your application from further consideration.
* Please do not modify this document in any way except to complete the application form as instructed.
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| A. Summary of Proposed Research Project |
| **Project lead name** |
| **Any partner individuals or organisation(s) (if applicable)** |
| **Project Title** |
| **Project Duration** (months) |
| **Thematic or topical focus** |
| **Funding Requested**UK£ |
| **Summary of Research Proposal** (maximum 300 words) |
| **Confirm and briefly illustrate that the project relates specifically to gender norms** (maximum 100 words) |

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| B: Project Details |
| **Name of the project lead and email address** |  |
| **Name of organisation** |  |
| **Postal address**  |  |
| **Postal code** |  |
| **City** |  |
| **Country** |  |
| **Phone number (including international dialling and country code)**  |  |
| **Organisation website** |  |
| **Name and email address of contact person if not the PR**  |  |

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| C1: Technical Question 1 |
| *Describe the problem you will tackle and justification for doing so, the main methodological approach, the geographical scope, and any ethical considerations of your proposed research. Specifically address the following questions:* *(I) Is the project seeking to contribute to a clearly identified gap in knowledge or speaking to a clear knowledge demand in the field of work on gender norms and international development?**(ii)Is the project responding to issues of gender equity and/or inequality, well thought-out and clearly articulated?* *(iii) Does the project fit in line with ALIGN’s mission and vision?****(400 words max.)***  |
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| C2: Technical Question 2 |
| *Describe the approach to innovation. Specifically address the following questions:**(i) Does the proposal specify the innovative content and/or approach relative to existing knowledge on this issue?**(ii) Does it answer new and more difficult questions, or introduce novel ways of understanding, measuring, or approaching norm change?* ***(200 words max.)*** |
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| C3: Technical Question 3  |
| *Describe the policy potential and research uptake approach. Specifically address the following questions:**(i) Is there a clear policy demand for the product? Who are the target stakeholders?**(ii) Demonstrate a clear pathway for how policy influence will be achieved****(200 words max.)*** |
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|  C4: Technical Question 4  |
| *Describe the indicative approach to ensuring logistical viability. Specifically address the following questions:* *(i) Describe the approach to organising and managing the project**(ii) How appropriate and strong are the partnerships to execute the proposed activities?* ***(100 words max.)*** |
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| D: Composition and Experience of Research Team |
| **Project Leader** |
| **Family name:** | **Given names:** |
| **Job title:** |
| **Mailing address:** | **Building, Suite (optional):** |
|  | **Number and Street or PO Box:** |
|  | **District, City:** |
|  | **Province/State:** |
|  | **Country:** |
|  | **Postal Code:** |
| **Telephone number (with country and area codes):** |
| **Email address:** |
| **LANGUAGE SKILLS:** Indicate competence in all languages used by the research team. E = excellent; G = good; F = fair. |
| **Language** | **Read** | **Write** | **Speak** | **Understand** |
| **English** |  |  |  |  |
| **Other (specify)** |  |  |  |  |
| **CURRICULUM VITAE**: Please include an up-to-date curriculum vitae that includes the following information. |
| **Work experience:** List all positions held, beginning with your current position. |
| **Academic qualifications:** List chronologically (starting with most recent) all degrees, diplomas, or certificates held or expected. |
| **Credentials**: List up to six awards, distinctions, of professional designations you have received and feel are pertinent to this application. |
| **Funded research:** List up to eight grants or contracts that you have received. List them in chronological order starting with the most recent. |
| **Publications:** List your relevant professional publications. Please make sure to include your previous research and publications on gender norms. |
| **Other information:** Include any other information you feel is relevant to this application. |
| **Key Members of Research Team** **(for each key member of the team attach a brief curriculum vitae. Add more rows as necessary)** |
| **Family name:** | **Given names:** |
| **Institution:** |
| **Job title:** |
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| **Details of Research Team***Specifically address the following questions:* *(i) Does the proposed composition and experience of the team demonstrate the required scientific rigour and expertise, especially in gender norms research?**(ii) Can the team confirm they will be able to comply with ethical approval requirements for their proposed piece of work?**(ii) Does the composition of the team promote collaboration across the ALIGN Community of Practice, especially South–South and South–North partnerships?****(200 words max.)*** |
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| E: Value for Money  |
| *How do the proposed research activities provide value for money? Please refer to the 4Es framework.* *Specifically address the following questions:* *(i) Economy: Have all possible delivery options been appraised, with consideration given to how to use the market, competition and benchmarking to get the best possible development impact?* *(ii) Efficiency: How will it be ensured that relevant, useful and high quality research will be delivered on budget and on time?**(iii) Effectiveness: How will it be ensured that outputs will provide new, insightful and/or innovative research to contribute to policy and practice?**(iiii) Equity: How will the project ensure benefits of the product will be equally accessible for all, including the most marginalised?****(300 words max.)*** |
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*Advancing Learning and Innovation on Gender Norms (ALIGN) is a four-year project creating and supporting a Community of Practice (CoP) and digital platform for learning and innovation on gender norms.*

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