## ALIGN Micro-Grant Application

### Application form: Micro-grant funding round 4 (2022)

**Instructions for completing your application**

* Before completing this proposal application form, please ensure you have read the [*ALIGN Funding Terms of Reference*](https://www.alignplatform.org/sites/default/files/2020-11/align_2020_micro-grant_tor.pdf) 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.
* Only fully completed forms in .doc, or .docx, format will be accepted – applications in any other format or template will be rejected.

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| A. Summary of proposed research project  |
| **Organisation name and/or project lead name** |  |
| **Any partner individuals or organisation(s)** (if applicable) |  |
| **Project title** |  |
| **Thematic or topical focus** |  |
| **Funding requested** (up to £20,000 GBP) |  |
| **Summary of research proposal** (maximum 300 words) |  |
| **Confirm that your proposed project focuses on understanding gender norms that shape women’s engagement with, influence over and experiences in governance institutions and decision-making.** (Maximum 100 words) |  |
| **Project duration** (Maximum 9 months) |  |

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| B: Project details |
| **Name of the project lead contact and email address** |  |
| **Postal address**  |  |
| **Postal code** |  |
| **City** |  |
| **Country** |  |
| **Phone number** (including international dialling/country code) |  |
| **Organisation or individual website** |  |
| **Name and email address of key contact person if not the project lead**  |  |

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|  C: Technical questions |
| 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 (1000 words). Specifically address the following question:**
2. *What will the project do, and why?*
3. *How does the project contribute to new knowledge of the gender norms that shape women’s representation and voice at different levels of government, and of how to transform them?*
4. *How will the project incorporate an understanding of and/or address intersectional issues? How will it benefit people facing multiple forms of marginalisation?*
5. *What methods will you use and how are they suited to your approach to the project/initiative?*
6. *Please explain how you will address any ethical issues arising in this work and what your research ethics approach will be during the primary data collection?*
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| 1. **Describe the research uptake approach (dissemination) and potential impact on policymakers or other women’s rights organisations / movements. (300 words). Specifically address the following questions:**
2. *Who are the target stakeholders and audience? How will the project engage with them to increase awareness of how gender norms can shape gendered differences in representation and voice. How will the project explore how gender norms can be transformed to create more gender inclusive spaces in government institutions?*
3. *What sorts of partnerships do you anticipate forming (or can you build on) to maximise uptake of research findings?*
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| 1. **Describe how you will organise and manage the project (250 words). Specifically address the following questions:**
2. *Who will oversee the management of the project and how are they qualified to do so?*
3. *What role will different individuals and organisations play?*
4. *What risks do you anticipate and how will you mitigate any risks?*
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| D: Composition and experience of research team |
| **Project leader** |
| **Family name:** | **Given names:** |
| **Job title:** |
| **Email address:** |
| **CURRICULUM VITAE**: Please include an up-to-date curriculum vitae that includes the following information for the project lead(ers): |
| * **Work experience:** List all positions held, beginning with your current position.
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| * **Academic qualifications:** List chronologically (starting with most recent) including: all degrees, diplomas, or certificates held or expected.
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| * **Credentials:** List up to six awards, distinctions, of professional designations you have received, and feel are relevant to this application.
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| * **Funded research:** List up to eight grants or contracts that you have received. List them in chronological order starting with the most recent.
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| * **Publications:** List your relevant professional publications. Please make sure to include your previous research and publications on gender norms.
* **Language skills:** List your proficiency to read/write/speak English (required) and any other language skills you possess.
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| * **Other information:** Include any other information you feel is relevant to this application.
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| **Key members of research team** (for each key member of the team please paste a brief curriculum vitae) |
| **Family name:** | **Given names:** |
| **Institution:** |
| **Job title:** |
| **Project role/responsibility:**  |
| **Brief CV:** |
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|  E: Value for money |
| How do the proposed research activities provide value for money? **(250 words max)**Briefly consider the following questions when drafting your answer:1. *How will you ensure that this project is economical?*
2. *Efficiency: How will you ensure that a relevant, useful and high-quality product will be delivered on budget and on time?*
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