

Science Foundation Ireland Future Innovator Prize 2024

Call SESAME Guide: The SDG Challenge

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Applications not adhering to these requirements, or with incomplete content, will be deemed ineligible and will not be accepted for review, regardless of the date of submission.

It is the responsibility of the Lead Applicant to ensure that eligible proposals are received by SFI on, or before, the deadline indicated. In order to safeguard against ineligibility, applicants are reminded to adhere to the guidelines in the call documentation and to review the application prior to submission in SESAME.

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This Science Foundation Ireland Future Innovator Prize 2024 – SDG Challenge Call SESAME Guide should be read in conjunction with the SFI Future Innovator Prize 2024 Call Document¹, and should be referenced for applications. For the SFI Future Innovator Prize, applications will only be accepted through SESAME, SFI's online grants and awards management system.

Access to SESAME is granted by staff at the Research Office of your host Research Body. Please follow your internal organisational process to request this access for both Lead Applicant and Co-Lead (Co-Applicant if applicable).

Once you have been registered by your Research Office, you will receive an email containing your Username, Password, and SFI PIN.

Your **username** and **password** are needed to log in to SESAME.

SESAME is accessed using the internet; no additional software needs to be installed. You can access SESAME online from any location. The configuration of some browsers and internet infrastructure (popup blockers, firewalls, etc.) can restrict an individual's access to the internet and as a result to the SESAME system. If you are having any such difficulties, please contact your organisation's internal IT support team.

The SESAME system is accessed using the following Internet address:

<https://grants.sfi.ie>



The screenshot shows the login interface for the Science Foundation Ireland (SFI) SESAME system. It features a blue header with the SFI logo and tagline. The main content area is divided into two sections. On the left, there is a 'Login' form with fields for 'Email' and 'Password', a 'Login' button, and a 'Forgot Password?' link. On the right, there is a 'Science Foundation Ireland (SFI)' section containing support information: 'SESAME support is available weekdays between 9AM-5:30PM (Dublin local time). Helpdesk tickets can be raised by clicking the Helpdesk "quick link" on your portal.' Below this, it states 'If you are having login issues, please click "Forgot Password?". If the issue persists please contact spac@sfli.ie'. A 'Please ensure:' section lists requirements: 'To use Firefox, Chrome or Edge browser for optimum SESAME compatibility', 'To use a stable internet connection', 'Pop-ups are ENABLED in your browser configuration', and 'To not use the browser BACK button when navigating SESAME'. At the bottom right of the form area, there is a link to 'Learn more about SFI's Privacy Policy'.

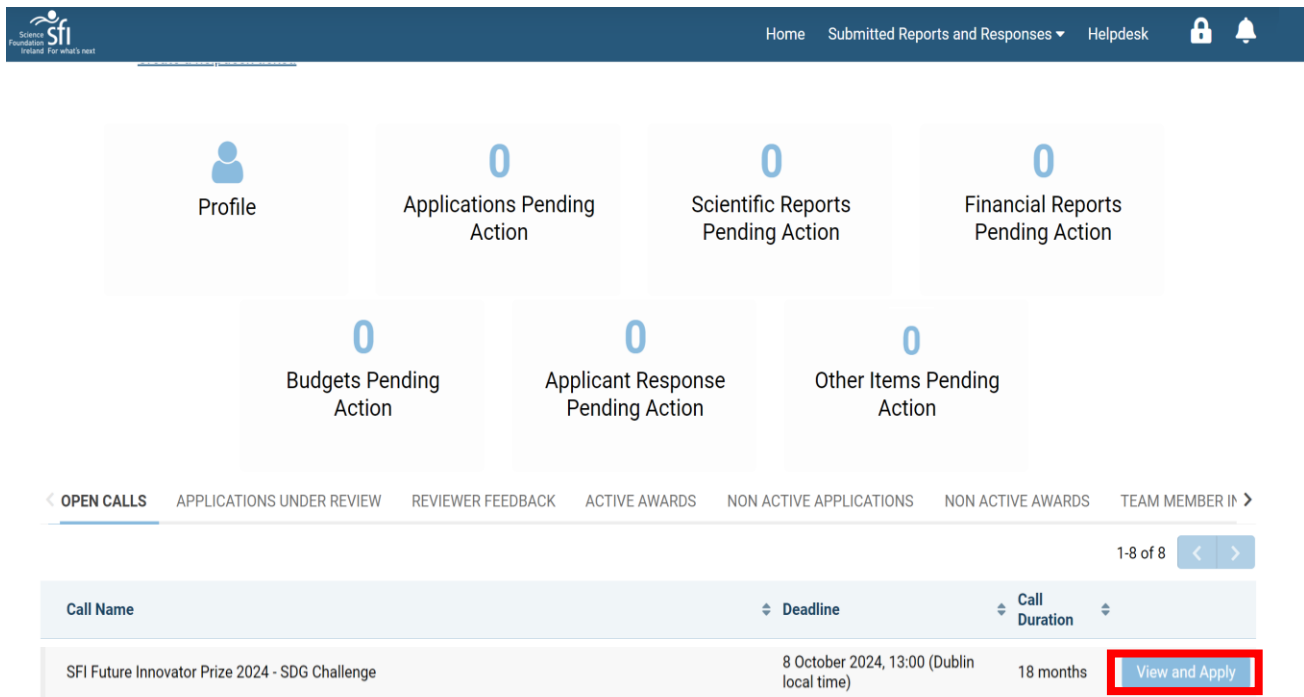
¹ <https://www.sfi.ie/funding/funding-calls/future-innovator-sdg/>

1 Before Starting Your Application

Before starting the application process on SESAME:

- Refer to the SFI Future Innovator Prize 2024 Call Document to ensure that your team is eligible to apply.
- Please ensure that both the Lead Applicant and the Co-Applicant (if applicable) have an ORCID ID². If you do not already have one, please go to the ORCID website and create one.
- Log into SESAME and update/create your Researcher Profile. Please note that SESAME is integrated with ORCID making it possible for you to import your publication data directly from ORCID into your Researcher Profile. For the SFI Future Innovator Prize, the Lead and Co-Applicant are required to complete their Researcher Profile and link it to an ORCID ID **before an application can be submitted**. Please refer to the SESAME Researcher User Guide³ for more detailed information on how to complete your Researcher Profile.

Once you have completed these steps, navigate to your SESAME Workbench, locate the SFI Future Innovator Prize 2024 – SDG Challenge Call and click “Apply” button to start the application process.



The screenshot shows the SESAME Workbench dashboard. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the SFI logo, 'Home', 'Submitted Reports and Responses', and 'Helpdesk'. Below the navigation bar, there are seven cards representing different areas with zero pending actions: Profile, Applications Pending Action, Scientific Reports Pending Action, Financial Reports Pending Action, Budgets Pending Action, Applicant Response Pending Action, and Other Items Pending Action. Below these cards is a horizontal menu with tabs: OPEN CALLS, APPLICATIONS UNDER REVIEW, REVIEWER FEEDBACK, ACTIVE AWARDS, NON ACTIVE APPLICATIONS, NON ACTIVE AWARDS, and TEAM MEMBER IN. The 'OPEN CALLS' tab is selected. Below the menu, there is a table with columns for Call Name, Deadline, and Call Duration. The table contains one row for 'SFI Future Innovator Prize 2024 - SDG Challenge' with a deadline of '8 October 2024, 13:00 (Dublin local time)' and a duration of '18 months'. A red box highlights the 'View and Apply' button in the rightmost column of the table row.

² <http://orcid.org/>

³ <https://www.sfi.ie/funding/award-management-system/>

Application Process

The application is completed in a number of steps:

- Completion of field data including text boxes and drop-down boxes.
- Uploading related documents in PDF format.
- Preparing a requested budget.
- Association of additional team members, as appropriate (designated during the application process as Co-Applicant / Societal Impact Champion / Collaborator).
- Submission – once you have completed all the mandatory sections of the application, you submit it to your Research Office for review and endorsement.

You should carefully follow the instructions below to complete the various sections of the application. Please note that some sections of your application must be completed directly in SESAME, and others are completed by uploading PDF documents to SESAME.

- All **text in uploaded PDFs** should be provided in **Times New Roman font or similar**, with minimum **font size of 11**, and at least single line spacing.
- Uploads in SESAME must be submitted in **Adobe or Microsoft PDF** format only.
- The number of pages in uploads must not exceed the specifications for any given section.
- Please note you must click “Save Draft” before you can upload documents, prepare budget and associate Co-Applicants and Societal Impact Champion. Clicking “Save Draft” after uploading documents will make these visible in the application form.
- Uploads for the SFI Future Innovator Prize 2024 – SDG Challenge call include Curricula Vitae for the core applicant team; Team, Challenge, Solution & Societal Impact document; References; Budget Justification document and Letters of Support.
- Applicants must use the templates provided on the call website.
- Appendices or other unsolicited documentation are not permitted.
- **File sizes** of attachments should be **less than 2 GB**.
- Applicants and Co-applicants must complete all mandatory Researcher Profile fields (marked in red) before submitting an application. It is not possible to submit an application without completing these fields.

2 Eligibility Question

Lead Applicants are required to complete the eligibility question upon commencing an application to the SFI Future Innovator Prize 2024 – SDG Challenge call (see Section 8 & 9 of the Call Document⁴ for eligibility details).

Please note that the Lead Applicant completes the eligibility question on behalf of the Core Team.

Eligibility Questions

Can you please confirm that you have read and understood the eligibility criteria in the relevant call document, and that you are eligible to apply to this call?

The call document is available at the following [link](#).

Yes No

[Submit](#)

3 Application Summary/Idea

- Title (Max. 20 words)**

The title should clearly convey the challenge to be addressed and should not contain confidential details, given that the titles of funded applications are published by SFI.

▼ Idea

Title

The title should clearly convey the challenge to be addressed and should not contain confidential details, given that the titles of funded applications are published by SFI.
(Max. 20 words)

20 words left

- Summary (Max. 200 words)**

Provide a brief, non-confidential summary of your idea clearly describing the challenge and your solution. Describe what is unconventional about your approach, why you expect it to succeed, how it will deliver impact and how the work will be performed within the budget and timeline?

Summary

Provide a brief, non-confidential summary of your idea clearly describing the challenge and your solution. Describe what is unconventional about your approach, why you expect it to succeed and how it will deliver impact. How will the work you describe be performed within the budget and timeline?
(Max. 200 words)

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⁴ <https://www.sfi.ie/funding/funding-calls/future-innovator-sdg/>

- **Resubmission Statement (Max. 1000 words)**

As part of an application to SFI, a declaration must be provided as to whether a new submission relates to a previously submitted application to any SFI scheme. If the application is a resubmission, a statement referencing the previous application and explaining any differences must be provided referring to reviewer comments where relevant. This statement will assist SFI in the assessment of eligibility of a revised application and will not be shared with reviewers. See SFI’s Resubmission policy for further details.⁵

▼ Resubmission

This section does not appear on the Proposal Document PDF

Does your proposal relate to a previously submitted application?

Yes No

Provide a statement referencing the previous application, explain the differences and make reference to reviewer comments where relevant

This statement will assist SFI Scientific Staff in the assessment of eligibility of a revised application and will not be shared with reviewers.
(Max. 1000 words)

1000 words left

- **Priority Area and Alignment**

Select one of the 14 Refreshed Priority Areas, from the drop-down menu, as the Primary Priority Area to which your application aligns, and which best describes the proposed research. It is also possible to select a Secondary Priority Areas that the research will be relevant to.

Research Alignment

Primary Priority Area: Please Select

Secondary Priority Area:

- Priority Area A - Future Networks, Communications and Internet of Things
- Priority Area B - Data Analytics, Management, Security, Privacy, Robotics and Artificial Intelligence (including Machine Learning)
- Priority Area C - Digital Platforms, Content and Applications, and Augmented Reality and Virtual Reality
- Priority Area D - Connected Health and Independent Living
- Priority Area E - Medical Devices
- Priority Area F - Diagnostics
- Priority Area G - Therapeutics
- Priority Area H - Food for Health
- Priority Area I - Smart and Sustainable Food Production and Processing
- Priority Area J - Decarbonising the Energy System
- Priority Area K - Sustainable Living
- Priority Area L - Advanced and Smart Manufacturing
- Priority Area M - Manufacturing and Novel Materials
- Priority Area N - Innovation in Services and Business Processes
- Other - Area under SFI's Legal remit where there is convincing evidence that there be significant potential for economic, and/or societal impact

- **Research Area (Primary)**

Select a primary SFI research area, from the drop-down menu, which best describes the proposed research.

⁵ https://www.sfi.ie/resources/SFI_Resubmission-Policy_August-2016.pdf

Research Area - Primary:

- **Research Area (Secondary)**

Select a secondary SFI research area, from the drop-down menu, which in combination with the primary SFI research area already selected best describes the proposed research.

Research Area - Secondary:

- **United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs)**

Select the UN SDG, from the drop-down menu, to which your research is most closely aligned.

UN Sustainable Development Goal:

- **United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs) Alignment (Max. 100 words)**

Provide a brief justification for the UN SDG alignment and a description of how the proposed solution has potential to positively impact the chosen goal. Please also consider the nature of the target(s) associated with the SDG in question.

Please justify the alignment for the selected SDG and describe how the proposed solution has potential to positively impact this goal

(Max. 100 words)

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- **Alignment to SFI Legal Remit (Max. 100 words)**

Describe how the proposed research aligns to SFI's legal remit. This statement will be used to determine the eligibility of the application.

Justification that the proposed research is within SFI remit as defined in the call document.

(Max. 100 words)

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4 Core/Applicant Team Details

4.1 Lead Applicant Details

Prior to completing this section of the application form, please ensure that you have completed the mandatory SESAME researcher profile information, including Year of PhD (or equivalent).

- **Lead Applicant CV (Upload, max. 3 pages)**

A three-page CV of the Lead Applicant is required. Please use the CV template (MS-Word) **provided on the SFI Future Innovator Prize 2024 – SDG Challenge Call webpage**. After completing the template, convert it to PDF format before uploading it to SESAME. CV sections include:

- Career Profile (Education and Employment)
- Key Achievements in Research Excellence and Impact
- Publication Details
- Other Information as appropriate

Please click Save Draft after uploading the CV to make it visible in the application form.

Location of Applicant at time of Submission

Lead Applicant % Commitment

Lead Applicant CV

(Max. 3 pages)

[Download CV template from the call webpage.](#)

Note: % Commitment to Project - Given the objectives and timelines of the SFI Future Innovator Prize, applicants should ensure that their time commitment is appropriate for the highly competitive nature of the programme.

- **Lead Applicant supervisory experience**

Please fill in all the mandatory fields marked in red under the Lead Applicant Details section.

▼ Provide supervisory experience to date (Lead Applicant)

Masters Students graduated:

PhD Students graduated:

Masters Students currently supervising:

PhD Students currently supervising:

Other Staff currently supervising:

Please note that under the SDG Challenge, teams must consist of 3 or 4 members.

In addition to the Team Lead, all applications must include a Partner Country Team Co-Lead (to be entered as an Academic Collaborator as described in Section 4.3).

Teams must also include a Team Co-Lead (to be entered as a Co-Applicant) and/or a Societal Impact Champion (to be entered as a Societal Impact Champion).

The Team Lead, Partner Country Team Co-Lead and Team Co-Lead must use the CV Template provided on the call website.

Applicants are responsible for inputting the correct team configuration and this will be not checked automatically as part of the submission process.

4.2 Co-Applicant Details

To associate a Co-Applicant to a proposal, the Lead-Applicant will **enter the Co-Applicant's surname and SESAME SFI PIN into the draft proposal**. This will allow the Co-Applicant access to the draft proposal. Please note that **you can only assign Co-Applicants once you have saved a draft of your application**. Until then, the buttons to assign individuals will not be visible.

▼ Co-Applicant Details

Please note that under the SDG Challenge, teams must consist of 3 or 4 members.
 In addition to the Team Lead, all applications must include a Partner Country Team Co-Lead. For the purposes of the application, this person should be input as an Academic Collaborator below, but will be assessed equally to the Team Lead.
 Teams must also include a Team Co-Lead (to be entered as a Co-Applicant) and/or a Societal Impact Champion (to be entered as a Societal Impact Champion).
 The Team Lead, Partner Country Team Co-Lead and Team Co-Lead must use the CV Template provided on the call website.
 Applicants are responsible for inputting the correct team configuration and this will be not checked automatically as part of the submission process.

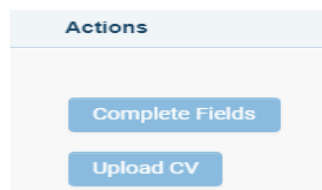
Add Co-Applicants:  Add

Following this, the Co-Applicant must log in and complete all the mandatory fields in their profile and in the SFI Future Innovator Prize 2024 – SDG Challenge application before the Lead Applicant can submit the application to the Research Office. **Note: SESAME does not permit two individuals to concurrently modify a proposal.**

Co-Applicant and/or the Lead Applicant may choose to complete fields or upload documentation that are common to both applicants (e.g., summaries, uploads, etc.); however, only the Lead Applicant can submit an application.

- **Co-Applicant CV (Upload, max. 3 pages)**

A three-page CV of the Co-Applicant is required. **Please use a CV template provided on SFI SFI Future Innovator Prize 2024 – SDG Challenge webpage.** After filling in the template, please convert it to PDF format and upload it to SESAME. Please click Save Draft after uploading the CV to make it visible in the application form.



4.3 Partner Country Team Co-Lead / Societal Impact Champion Details

As detailed above, a Partner Country Team Co-Lead is **a mandatory member** of all teams. The Lead Applicant must associate a Partner Country Team Co-Lead with an application in SESAME by using the “Add Collaborator” button. Please note this person should be input as an **Academic Collaborator** and will be assessed **equally** to the Team Lead.

In addition, in this section of the application, the Lead Applicant may also associate a Societal Impact Champion with an application in SESAME by using the “Add Collaborator” button.

Please note that you can only assign an Academic Collaborator / Societal Impact Champion as part of your team once you have saved a draft of your application. Until then, the buttons to add collaborators

will not be visible. These persons do not have to be previously registered by a Research Body and they do not have access to the application within SESAME.

▼ Societal Impact Champion Details

You must include a Partner Country Team Co-Lead as an Academic Collaborator in this section.

Assign Collaborators:  Add

- **CV (Upload, max. 3 pages)**

The Partner Country Team Co-Lead **should use the CV template provided on the call webpage**. The Societal Impact Champion is not required to use the CV template provided and may use a **format of their choosing**. In both cases, the overall length of the CV must not exceed three pages and a PDF document should be uploaded to SESAME.



5 **Team, Challenge, Solution & Societal Impact (Upload, max. 6 pages)**

In this section, describe the team, the challenge and solution. Please use the template provided on the SFI Future Innovator Prize 2024 – SDG Challenge Call webpage and refer to the Call Document for details on expected content. Once completed, please convert it to PDF format before uploading it to SESAME.

- Briefly describe the applicant team. Describe how, through its composition, complementarity and formation, the team brings a unique perspective in addressing this challenge.
- Describe clearly the challenge/problem and its importance in the partner country. Articulate your understanding of it and what are the key barriers that your team will address? What are the specific context of this challenge in the partner country? How have you engaged with stakeholders/beneficiaries to validate the challenge? Has this challenge wider relevance beyond the partner country?
- Describe clearly the solution proposed? How is it novel and/or unconventional? How will the proposed approach (technical/non-technical) lead to disruptive innovation? How feasible/viable is the solution? What are the risks?

- What outcomes will your solution deliver and when (provide an indication of key milestones, deliverables and timelines)? How will your solution transform society? What is the societal impact of your solution (outlining the societal impact the proposed solution can achieve in the partner country and more broadly)?

Team, Challenge, Solution & Societal Impact

Upload Team, Challenge, Solution & Societal Impact Document

(Max. 6 pages)

6 References (Upload, max. 1 page)

Appropriate references and citations for the proposed research may be provided in a separate one-page PDF document. Please use the template provided on SFI Future Innovator Prize 2024 – SDG Challenge webpage.

References

References

Upload References (Max. 1 page)

[Download template.](#)

7 Ethical Issues

- Use of Animals

Please indicate whether animals are to be involved in any of the research planned.

- Research Involving Human Participants, Biological Material or Identifiable Data

Applicants must indicate whether their research programme will involve human participants, human biological material or the use of identifiable (or potentially identifiable) human data. Selecting “Yes” further questions will appear. Further details can be found on the SFI Policy webpage.⁶

Ethical Issues

Science Foundation Ireland requires evidence that relevant ethical and regulatory approval has been granted for studies involving human or animal subjects as well as human cells/tissues prior to research commencing.

Submission of an application to Science Foundation Ireland represents an agreement by the applicant to obtain the relevant approval for any research which requires ethical and/or regulatory approval prior to the commencement of the research.

Does your research involve the use of animals?

Please Select

Does your research involve human participants, human biological material, or identifiable/potentially identifiable data?

Please Select

8 Sex/Gender Dimension in Research

In this section, articulate the considerations of biological sex and/or social gender variables in your research programmes. Please consult the Guidance for Applicants on Ethical and Scientific Issues for resources on how to address the sex and/or gender dimension of research in your grant.

DO NOT include information on how you have or will address gender equality, diversity and inclusion in your research team/environment; this should be addressed in the body of the proposal and/or in your CV, as appropriate.

Please consider the following questions when completing this section:

- Is sex as a biological variable taken into account in the research design, methods, analysis and interpretation, and/or dissemination of findings?
- Is gender as a socio-cultural factor taken into account in the research design, methods, analysis and interpretation, and/or dissemination of findings?

You will be prompted to provide further details to explain your response after selecting Yes or No.

Sex/Gender Dimension in Research

In accordance with [SFI External Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion \(EDI\) Strategy](#), all applicants must complete a statement articulating the consideration of biological sex and/or social gender variables in their research programme.

Please consult the [Guidance for Applicants on Ethical and Scientific Issues](#) for resources on how to address the sex and/or gender dimension of research in your grant application.

Do not include information on how you have addressed gender equality, diversity and inclusion in your research team/environment; this should be addressed in the body of the proposal and/or in your CV, as appropriate.

To complete this section, please consider the following questions:

- Is sex as a biological variable taken into account in the research design, methods, analysis and interpretation, and/or dissemination of findings?
- Is gender as a socio-cultural factor taken into account in the research design, methods, analysis and interpretation, and/or dissemination of findings?

If the answer is yes, please describe how sex and/or gender considerations will be integrated into your research proposal. If no, please explain why sex and/or gender are not applicable to your research proposal.

Is sex as a biological variable and/or gender as a socio-cultural factor taken into account in the research design, methods, analysis and interpretation, and/or dissemination of findings?

Yes No

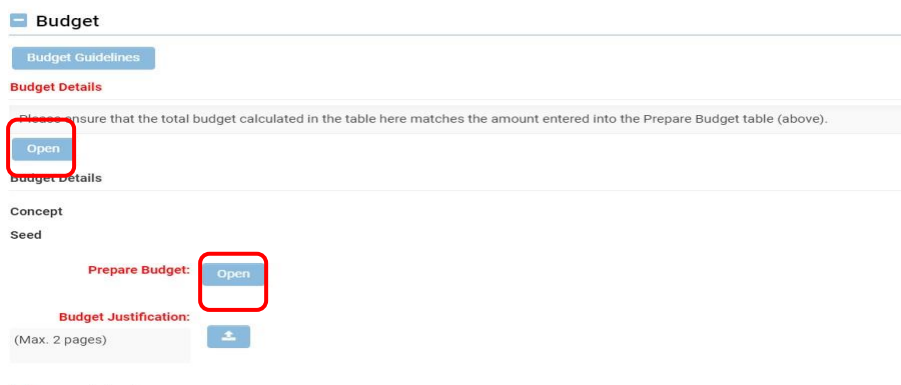
⁶ <http://www.sfi.ie/funding/sfi-policies-and-guidance/>

9 Budget

The Budget section should be used to provide a summary of the budget (direct costs) and resources you will need to complete the planned work. Given the phased nature of the SFI Future Innovator Prize 2024 – SDG Challenge programme, it will not be possible to provide significant detail in relation to requirements for the Seed Phase. As such, the requested budget and resources for the Seed phase should be indicative and be based on what you currently envisage. Please consult the SFI Grant Budget Policy (GBP)⁷ and the SFI Future Innovator Prize 2024 – SDG Challenge Call Document for more information.

9.1 Completing the SESAME Budget Section

To complete the Budget section, you must fill in the **Budget Details** table and the **Total Requested Budget** table (**Prepare Budget**), and upload the **Budget Justification** PDF.



The screenshot shows the 'Budget' section of the application. It includes a 'Budget Guidelines' button, a 'Budget Details' section with a note to ensure totals match, and a table with 'Concept' and 'Seed' categories. Below the table are 'Prepare Budget' and 'Budget Justification' sections, each with an 'Open' button and an upload icon.

Please note that **you are required to complete two budget tables**, as described below. It is recommended that you first complete the Budget Details and, when finalised, enter the totals for each category (Staff, Equipment, etc) into the Budget Table. Please note that although this is an 18-month award, at this stage, it is sufficient to enter the totals into Year 1 (the budget profile will be corrected at the point of award). The totals for each category and the overall requested budget must match in the two budget tables in order for you to submit your application.

- **Guidelines for Completion of Budget Details:**
 - Under **Budget Details**, click on "Open".
 - To add line items to both CONCEPT and SEED sections, click on the "+" symbol under each category.
 - To remove line items, click on "x" symbol to the right of each line item.

⁷ <http://www.sfi.ie/funding/sfi-policies-and-guidance/budget-finance-related-policies/>

- Click "Save" and "Close".
- Prior to submission, a budget may be edited any number of times.
- Please see the SFI Future Innovator Prize 2024 – SDG Challenge Call Document for guidelines on how to complete your budget.

Please note that under the SFI Future Innovator Prize 2024 – SDG Challenge, **no equipment costs may be requested in the Concept Phase.**

SFI Future Innovator Prize - Budget Details

Category	Concept	Seed	Total
Staff	€25,000.00	€80,000.00	€105,000.00
Equipment	0	€90,000.00	€90,000.00
Materials Consumables	€18,000.00	€60,000.00	€78,000.00
Travel	€7,000.00	€20,000.00	€27,000.00
Total	€50,000.00	€250,000.00	€300,000.00

Please note that requests for equipment as part of the Concept Phase are not supported under this programme. For any budget line items where no request is being made, please add N/A as the line item description and add 0.00 as the requested cost.

Please enter a detailed breakdown of the CONCEPT phase below:

Staff	Total
Staff 1	€10,000.00
Staff 2	€15,000.00
	€25,000.00
+	
Materials and Consumables	Total
Material 1	€10,000.00
Material 2	€8,000.00
	€18,000.00
+	
Travel	Total
Travel 1	€5,000.00
Travel 2	€2,000.00
	€7,000.00

Please enter a detailed breakdown of the SEED phase below:

Staff	Total
Staff 1	€30,000.00
Staff 2	€30,000.00
Staff 3	€20,000.00
	€80,000.00
+	
Equipment	Total
Equipment 1	€50,000.00
Equipment 2	€40,000.00
	€90,000.00
+	
Materials and Consumables	Total
Materials 1	€30,000.00
Materials 2	€30,000.00
	€60,000.00
+	
Travel	Total
Travel 1	€10,000.00
Travel 2	€10,000.00
	€20,000.00

Budget Details Table

After completing the **Budget Details Table**, you are asked to fill in the total requested amount for Concept and Seed Phase. Click "Open" next to the **Prepare Budget** header and click to create a new budget within a popup window. Select the requested draft budget and click "Open Budget" to edit the budget worksheet.



Budget History

Budget Type	Status	Created By	Creation Date	Last Modified	Budget Worksheet
Requested	Draft		09/05/2024 15:25	09/05/2024 15:25:45	Open Budget

- **Guidelines for completion of Budget Table ("Prepare Budget"):**

- Go to **Prepare Budget** section and click "Open".
- Click to create a new budget.
- Select the requested draft budget and click "Open Budget" to edit the budget worksheet.
- For each category (Staff, Equipment, etc), please enter the total requested budget in Year 1. This must correspond to the total amount for this category in the Budget Details Table.
- To add the total, click on the "+" symbol under the budget table.
- To remove line items, click the "-" symbol to the right of each line item.
- Click "Save" and "Close".
- Prior to submission, the budget may be edited any number of times.
- Ensure the category totals are the same on both budget tables.

Requested Budget Table

STAFF	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	TOTAL
Total Staff	105000		105000.
Total	105000.	0	105000.

EQUIPMENT	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	TOTAL
Total Equipment	90000		90000.0
Total	90000.0	0	90000.0

MATERIALS AND CONSUMABLES	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	TOTAL
Total Materials	78000		78000.0
Total	78000.0	0	78000.0

TRAVEL	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	TOTAL
Total Travel	27000		27000.0
Total	27000.0	0	27000.0

REQUESTED BUDGET		300000.00 (IN EUROS)	
LAST MODIFIED: 09/05/2024 15:25			
APPLICATION START DATE: 00/00/0000			
LEAD APPLICANT:			
PROPOSAL ID: 24/			
RESEARCH BODY REF:			
EXPORT AS PDF: Open			

CATEGORY	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	TOTAL
Staff	105000.	0	105000.
Equipment	90000.0	0	90000.0
Materials	78000.0	0	78000.0
Travel	27000.0	0	27000.0
Direct Costs	300000.	0	300000.

After completing the budget tables, please upload the Budget justification PDF document (max 2 pages).

Budget

Budget Guidelines: [Open](#)

Prepare Budget: [Open](#)

Budget Justification: [Upload](#)
(Max. 2 pages)

Budget Details: [Open](#)

10 Letters of Support (Uploads; max. 2 pages for each letter)

+ Letter(s) of Support

Letter(s) of Support (please refer to call document for details)

Letters of Support (Max. 2 pages per letter)

Please refer to the SFI Future Innovator Prize 2019 Call Handbook for details.

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The following letters of support **must** be included:

- A Letter of Support from the **Host Research Body of the Team Lead, Team Co-Lead and Partner Country Team Co-Lead** which should confirm the eligibility of the applicant, comment on the significance of the proposal and confirm related infrastructure and services available to the applicant. In addition, in cases where team members will be transferring from another active SFI research grant, an outline of the management plan (i.e., a description of how the individual will be replaced on the original award) to assure how these awards progress satisfactorily should be provided. Note also the Host Research Body Letter of Support should contain a description of the institutional policy regarding management of conflicts of interest.
- Where any applicant is a postdoctoral researcher, a Letter of Support must be provided from an established researcher from their Host Research Body endorsing the application. The established researcher may or may not be also an applicant on the proposal. Each Letter of Support must confirm that the established researcher has agreed to act as mentor for the duration of the award. In cases where the established researcher is not the current mentor/supervisor, the Letter of Support must outline how this situation will be managed and must be countersigned by the current mentor/supervisor of the postdoctoral researcher. The Letter of Support must include details of the postdoctoral researcher's current role and funding arrangements including remuneration level. The grant identification code and grant title under which the postdoctoral researcher is currently funded should also be provided.
- A Letter of Support from the Societal Impact Champion outlining their role in the team and how they propose to actively guide/support the team to deliver impact.

NOTE: No additional Letters of Support may be included at the application stage. Any additional/unsolicited Letters of Support will be removed from an application.

11 Application Preview

You should view the PDF of your application prior to submission to verify content, print or save your application. It is the responsibility of the Lead Applicant to ensure that all documentation is included and that the maximum page lengths are not exceeded.

- View Proposal Prior to Submission


Proposal Document:

(Click save draft before opening PDF document to ensure all changes are updated)

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Idea _____

Title _____

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Summary _____

To check that required fields have been completed prior to submission, click "Validate". Validation will also automatically occur when "Submit to RO" is selected. However, it is important to note that there is no system validation on multiple upload file fields, including for example Letters of Support. The number of documents required may vary depending on each application.

Save Draft

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12 Applicant Agreement to Terms and Conditions

Submission of an application confirms acceptance of and agreement with the SFI Terms and Conditions of Research Grants; that the applicant meets eligibility requirements; that the project is in full agreement with all legal and regulatory matters governing research in Ireland; that no aspect of this project is already being funded from another source and that all details provided are correct.

▼ Declaration

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- that the project is in full agreement with all legal and regulatory matters governing research in Ireland,
- that no aspect of this project is already being funded from another source and that all details provided are correct.

I Agree

13 Research Body Approval

For an application to be accepted, it must be authorised for submission by the host research body of the lead applicant. It should be noted that Research Body submission of an application confirms that the SFI Grant General Terms & Conditions have been read and understood. Submissions may only be made by an authorised representative of the Research Body of the Lead Applicant. In particular, the Research Body is approving:

- The eligibility of the applicants;
- That the applicants are, or will be upon receipt of the grant, recognised as employees of the Research Body for the duration of the grant;
- That the requested budget including salaries/stipends, equipment, travel and consumables are in line with accepted institutional guidelines;
- The availability of infrastructure within the institution as outlined by the applicant in the research proposal;
- That the proposed research programme has not been funded by other sources;
- That relevant ethical and regulatory approval has been or will be sought and must be granted prior to the award commencing;
- That the relevant licences will be in place at the time of award;
- That the details provided in relation to research funding history i.e., current, pending or expired grants, as detailed in the application, are valid and accurate;
- That permission from all team members and collaborators has been obtained, such that SFI may receive their personal information, and may process such data for the purpose of peer review.
- That the information supplied in the application is correct and the research proposal is the applicant's own work

14 Proposal Submission

Once you have filled in the application fully, previewed the PDF and agree with the SFI terms and conditions, click on “Submit to RO”. A submission is made initially to the Research Office of the Lead Applicant for approval, prior to final submission by the Research Office to SFI.

Applications must be received by SFI no later than **13:00 (Dublin Local Time) on 8 October 2024**.

Once submitted by the host Research Body to SFI through SESAME, an application cannot be withdrawn and subsequently modified for resubmission in the same call, regardless of the date of submission.

Please contact the Research Office well in advance in order to obtain registration details for SESAME and to become familiar with any internal Research Body submission deadlines.

**Please note that after the submission deadline, applications can no longer be submitted in
SESAME.**

Applicants will receive a notification from SESAME periodically when the status of their proposal changes. Alternatively, the status of a proposal (e.g., where a proposal is pending Research Office approval or is under review at SFI) is displayed in SESAME.