Webinar Q&A: Designing safety interventions for specific contexts

Q.1. How global would the scope need to be?

Answer: The Lloyd’s Register Foundation mission is global, and proposals should reflect this and not just focus on the UK or high-income countries.

Q.2. What are the success criteria for the applications?

Answer:
Proposals will be reviewed by a panel who will independently score the bids against a range of criteria which will include:

a) Quality of proposal – fit with the brief, clarity of language, structure
b) Appropriateness, credibility and quality of methodological approach, and feasibility in the given timeframe
c) Extent to which the organisation brings their own ideas and experiences to influence the way in which the work is undertaken
d) Make up of team and access to required resources – including relevant subject knowledge and experience across relevant areas including technical specialisms (e.g. information science)
e) Portfolio of past relevant published work demonstrating relevant expertise, ability to write clearly and concisely and translate findings for a non-technical audience, and dissemination networks
f) Project management approach and engagement of Foundation
g) Value for money

Q.3. How important is it for you that the work is pan-sector, and if so, is it an option for you to help broker a coalition or connect us with similar body/s in other sectors, e.g. mining, shipping etc?

Answer: The work should cover a range of sectors or domains so that differences can be explored. Coalitions are encouraged to draw together a wide range of expertise. Where possible and where we have contacts, we will seek to assist in building coalitions. Please get in touch directly with the team to discuss.

Q.4. I am working together with a few companies called Human Safety Alliance. Is it ok to apply and put the employees together as a team of these companies?

Answer: Yes, however you will need to identify one lead contact – for application, contract, administrative and project management related purposes.
Q.5. Interventions over the whole of H&S is quite a daunting task. Would it be of any interest to offer a smaller bid covering a subset of H&S? Specifically, we could look at psycho-social safety risks and excluding physical safety risks – these two look quite different.

Answer: The brief includes both physical and psycho-social interventions and we are interested in exploring the differences across these areas. Applicants are encouraged to consider creative ways to explore the range of relevant interventions within the budget available.

Q.6. Do you have multiple awards of £50,000 to grant? And second question, do you have an expectation whether the research contains one, or a number, of case studies?

Answer: No to multiple awards – this is one grant. The work should include more than one case study, taking learnings from across sectors, domains or types of interventions so that differences can be explored.

Q.7. Is it a prerequisite to have previous experience in this type of work or are new entrants allowed?

Answer: We would consider new entrants to the field for this work however we will take into account relevant experience of the team, and the established portfolio of relevant work when scoring bids.

Q.8. Can one participant appear in several separate bids?

Answer: Yes.

Q.9. The breadth of focus for the Call as there is a considerable difference and nuance in a single highly regulated industry i.e. in healthcare. Where do you think we should focus?

Answer: We recognise the differences across sectors and types of intervention – and are looking for proposals that enable these differences to be explored in a feasible way, informed by the knowledge and expertise of the applicants.

Q.10. What should be the balance of focus on international companies within a single sector e.g. construction.

Answer: the Lloyd’s Register Foundation mission is global, and proposals should reflect this and not just focus on the UK or high-income countries.

Q.11. How many participants in the webinars?

Answer: AM session: 15 delegates. PM session: 17 delegates