The University of the West Indies – Trinidad and Tobago Research and Development Impact Fund
Annex for The Belmont Forum’s Collaborative Research Action Migration 2022

National Annex: Trinidad and Tobago

Partners: This call is supported by different partner organizations worldwide, including the RDI Fund.

Funding Principles: Within each selected consortium, funding of the participating researchers is provided by their respective national funding organizations in accordance with their standard award terms and conditions. For consortia with UWI St Augustine Principal Investigators securing RDI Fund grants to support their project activities, a research collaboration agreement will need to be developed between the participating researchers should their application be successful, and shared with the relevant Partner Organizations.

Once all eligibility and review criteria have been met, the total available budget earmarked by The RDI Fund to support Principal Investigators at The UWI St Augustine Campus, Trinidad and Tobago in competitive research consortia is TT$2,000,000 (approximately US$295,000 or €266,000). The RDI Fund anticipates that a total of 2 – 4 research consortia will be supported, pending the availability of funds.

Eligibility: All eligibility criteria outlined in The RDI Fund’s Operational Guidelines will apply.

It is expected that applications to this call will be collaborative research grants with a consortium composition as defined in the call document. Research consortia must be transdisciplinary, including researchers from: a) social sciences/humanities/economics, b) natural sciences/physical sciences/technology, and c) societal partners (i.e. citizens, industry, civil society organizations), using participatory, co-design, co-development and co-implementation approaches.

Each consortium must include funded consortium participants from at least three participating countries, thus requesting support from at least three participating funding organizations. Researchers from countries not represented by any of the partner-countries can participate in the research project at their own expense but do not count toward the 3-participating country minimum. The RDI Fund will fund
the UWI St Augustine Principal Investigators of any successful trans-national collaboration and their planned activities.

Consortium partners should identify a Consortium Lead Principal Investigator (CL) for each proposal for application, management and communication purposes. UWI St Augustine Consortia Leads will be looked upon favorably for funding consideration by the RDI Fund.

Proposals must fulfil the formal requirements as generally outlined in the Call documents. All applicants requesting funding from the RDI Fund are required to additionally submit their CRA proposals to the RDI Fund Secretariat at rdifund@sta.uwi.edu. All documents submitted to the Belmont Forum electronic proposal system accessible through https://www.bfgo.org should also be submitted to the RDI Fund Secretariat.

Notice: The official national call announcement for Trinidad and Tobago will be published on the RDI Fund website (https://sta.uwi.edu/rdifund/). Details of the call and the application process are provided via the Belmont Forum website (https://www.belmontforum.org/cras#migration2022).

Applicants are advised to contact their National Contact point before starting to prepare proposals for application.

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