

Institution-Specific Annex 2025

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Annex for Schmidt Ocean Institute (SOI)

Duration of time:	2028-2034. Please review this linked area of operations map.
Country/(ies) supported	All countries.
Description/qualifications of eligible participants	Submissions are welcome from researchers or research groups seeking time aboard research vessel Falkor (too) to conduct oceanographic research or technology development projects aligned with SOI's Strategic Framework.
Stipulations for the maximum number of researchers in the consortium	Submissions may request up to the 25 available berthing on R/V <i>Falkor</i> (too). Submissions for less than the full berthing are acceptable.
Type of contribution + amount of contribution (K€)	SOI provides investigators and teams with free access to the full range of the capabilities of R/V Falkor (too), its onboard scientific facilities, analytical tools, and lab equipment, as well as pertinent technical, operational, communications, and informational services, including a High Performance Computing System. Also provided is the remotely operated vehicle, ROV SuBastian, which is capable of descending to 4,500m depth and has sampling capability on board as well as a 4k video camera system that can transmit live stream imagery to the vessel and ashore. A requirement of free use of these assets and support is the timely sharing of the data, research and development outcomes, and real-time sharing of expedition research.
Maximum amount that can be requested per project or by researcher (days)	Submissions may request up to 30 days aboard the vessel.





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Restrictions for use of funds	SOI does not fund scientists' salaries, travel, laboratory equipment, shipping and insurance, transport of samples, the mandatory Standards of Training, Certification, and Watchkeeping (STCW) training course.
Specific themes within the call	SOI's Strategic Framework describes seven scientific and technical topics, with detailed sub-topics, for support aboard <i>Falkor (too)</i> . Investigators should review these to ensure alignment with their proposed work.
Where to submit proposal	www.bfgo.org
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