# ESRC Impact Acceleration Account (IAA)

# *RCUK Innovation Fellowship Application*

Please complete ***ALL SECTIONS*** and send the completed application form together with a letter of support from the industrial partner by to the **Research Strategy Office** by email ([researchstrategy@admin.cam.ac.uk](mailto:researchstrategy@admin.cam.ac.uk)).

Please review the enclosed Guidance for Applicants before submission.

Please submit a signed machine readable PDF format application as well as a word version of your application.

Deadlines: 17th November

1. Applicant Name:
2. Department:
3. Industrial Partner

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|  | **Industrial Partner Information** |
| Contact Name |  |
| External Partner Organisation |  |
| Telephone |  |
| E-mail Address |  |

1. Duration of proposed secondment and proposed working pattern if not full-time at the partner site.
2. Brief summary of the project, including the activities which will be undertaken during the secondment (max 500 words):

1. Please specify how the partner organisation is aligned to the Industrial Strategy (max 300 words):
2. Please indicate how the secondment meets an industry need of the partner (max 300 words):
3. Please specify how the secondment addresses one of the challenges identified in the Industrial Strategy (max 300 words):
4. Measures of success. Please specify the outcomes and beneficiaries that you anticipate for your proposed project and how you would propose to assess progress towards impact (max 200 words):

**ESRC Impact Acceleration Account: University of Cambridge**

**Budget and Signature Form**

**Details of support requested:**

* *This grant application requires a Full Economic Costing (FEC). Please contact your DA/Research Finance Officer for help to complete an X5 costing.*
* ***The award will cover Directly Incurred costs only*** *(not overheads/indirect costs) and the costs should include indexation.*
* *Note that PI costs, student fees, patenting costs and estate costs are ineligible*

**Proposed start date: Duration (months):**

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| **BUDGET:** | | | |
| **Type** | **Description** | **FEC (£)** | **Funder Contribution(£)** |
| Directly Incurred Costs | | |  |
| Staff Costs |  | £ | £ |
| Travel and subsistence |  | £ | £ |
| Directly Allocated Costs | | | |
| Staff Costs | | £ |  |
| Estates | | £ |  |
| Indirects | | £ |  |
| **TOTAL** | | **£** | **£** |

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| **SIGNATURES:** | |  |
| **APPLICANT – POST DOCTORAL RESEARCHER** I declare that the information given on this form is complete and correct. | | |
| Name (print) | Signature | Date |
| **SUPERVISOR I** confirm that I support the application including any requirement for a no-cost grant extension | | |
| Name (print) | Signature | Date |
| **HEAD OF DEPARTMENT** I confirm that I support the application including any requirement for a no-cost grant extension. | | |
| Name (print) | Signature | Date |

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**- Guidance for applicants**

**Background**

This scheme will enable postdocs to transfer their knowledge into industry and enhance their skills and understanding of industry.

The scheme is funded by ESRC for social science disciplines. Please read the eligibility criteria carefully to ensure you meet the requirements.

Applicants will need to identify the company and secondment opportunity themselves. The Careers Service and OPdA may be able to advise on potential opportunities.

**Funding available**

Please consult with your departmental finance team to obtain an X5 costing for your proposal.

**ESRC** Funding is available for direct costs only to cover salary up to £3,367 and travel costs up to £500 for postdocs to spend four weeks working in industry, to transfer knowledge from their research background into the company. Applications for full or part-time secondments will be considered. Unfortunately the IAA is not able to cover any visa costs incurred in connection with secondments.

Secondments must be completed by 31st March 2018

**Eligibility criteria**

* **Applicant**

ESRC – The applicant must be a current PDRA at the University in a social sciences discipline.

* **Project**

The project description must show how knowledge will be transferred from the University to the company partner. The project must address a challenge identified in the [Industrial Strategy](https://beisgovuk.citizenspace.com/strategy/industrial-strategy/supporting_documents/buildingourindustrialstrategygreenpaper.pdf)

* **Industry partner**

The industry partner must provide suitable office accommodation and facilities for the applicant to undertake the secondment, at a UK location. The industry partner must be aligned with the [Industrial Strategy.](https://beisgovuk.citizenspace.com/strategy/industrial-strategy/supporting_documents/buildingourindustrialstrategygreenpaper.pdf)

**Application process and approvals**

Applicants will need the agreement of their supervisor and Head of Department, including where necessary agreement to seek a no-cost extension to a research grant to account for the time spent on the secondment.

Full proposals should be emailed to [researchstrategy@admin.cam.ac.uk](mailto:researchstrategy@admin.cam.ac.uk) with a letter of support from the company partner confirming their agreement to participate in the secondment, the proposed location and dates of the secondment, and the named company employee who will be responsible for the secondee.

**Conditions of award**

If an award is made, the Research Operations Office must be asked to put an appropriate secondment agreement in place between the University and company before the project begins.

As a matter of good practice, any proposed changes to project timescales or scope should be by prior agreement with the company partner.

A written final report must be submitted within 3 months of the secondment end date.

Any questions regarding the scheme arrangements should be directed to [researchstrategy@admin.cam.ac.uk](mailto:researchstrategy@admin.cam.ac.uk).