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# UK - Brazil Research Funding Opportunities

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## UK – Brazil Research Funding Schemes

- Global Challenges Research Fund (GCRF)
- FAPESP - Bath call
- Newton Fund
- Marie Curie International Fellowship
- More

# Global Challenges Research Fund

## Background to GCRF

- **£1.5bn** funding allocated to Research Councils over 2016-2021
- To ensure UK research takes a leading role in addressing the problems faced by developing countries
- GCRF forms part of the UK's Official Development Assistance (ODA) commitment
  - Monitored by the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development - OECD
- Regular calls in specific areas with explicit criteria from different research councils

# GCRF Eligibility

## Research must

- Be directly relevant to one of the 17 [UN Sustainable Development Goals](#)
- Be directly relevant to one of the four areas identified in the [UK Aid Strategy as ODA priorities](#)
  - Strengthening global peace, security and governance
  - Strengthening resilience and response to crises
  - Promoting global prosperity
  - Tackling extreme poverty and helping the world's most vulnerable
- Be aimed clearly at benefiting one or more [ODA-eligible countries](#)

## ODA Eligibility

To be classed as ODA eligible, research projects must:

- Aim to promote the welfare and economic development of a country or countries on the [DAC](#) list of ODA recipients
  - Brazil in the upper middle income list
  - Multidisciplinary is highly valued
  - Needs to be challenge led

**Occasional University of Bath calls to support pre-GCRF proposals (next potentially February 2017)**

# FAPESP - Bath Scheme

## FAPESP - Bath Scheme

### Aims

1. To encourage and promote the advancement of scientific research through the exchange of researchers affiliated with research institutions in the State of São Paulo with researcher partners abroad
2. To provide funding for the initial phase of international research collaborations with the goal of leveraging future funding through FAPESP

<http://www.fapesp.br/en/10560> - Bath

<http://www.fapesp.br/en/10553> - São Paulo



## FAPESP - Bath Scheme

- £80,000 available per year, to issue up to 8 awards of up to £10,000 each  
(£5,000 each to Bath and São Paulo State Researchers)
- Projects should be between 1 - 2 years in duration
- Collaboration of researchers from University of Bath and Principal Investigators of ongoing research projects funded by FAPESP
- Search Engine available to help find PIs

## Research Project

- Jointly written by the Bath Researcher and the FAPESP PI
  - A description of planned exchange activities and their importance to the project (how the exchange will contribute to the research)
  - A timeline for each exchange
  - What performance indicators will be used
  - What each candidate will contribute
  - Any planned activities (seminars / short courses) that will add to the impact of the exchange

## First Call

1. Call Launch	27 <sup>th</sup> October 2016
2. Deadline to submit applications	30 <sup>th</sup> January 2017
3. Results announced	20 <sup>th</sup> April 2017

## Second Call

1. Call Launch	25 <sup>th</sup> April 2017
2. Deadline to submit applications	31 <sup>st</sup> July 2017
3. Results announced	27 <sup>th</sup> October 2017

# Newton fund

## Newton Fund

- £150 million each year until 2021
- Managed through various UK delivery partners (British Council, Royal Society, Research Councils)
  - Lots of different calls and opportunities – probably an ideal one somewhere!
- ODA-focus promoting economic development and social welfare of 15 partner countries (including Brazil)
- Partner countries provide matched funding / resources

# Newton Fund

## Lots to explore:

- [Postdoctoral fellowships](#)
  - Closing date early March (opened 23<sup>rd</sup> January)
- [Research proposals](#)
  - Specific theme, country, often short timeframes
- [Royal Society](#)
  - Fellowships, mobility grants
  - Collaboration with [CONFAP](#) (call likely to open August 2017)
- [British Council](#)
  - Workshops, visits, PhD placements, institutional links
  - Brazil specific: <https://www.britishcouncil.org.br/newton-fund/researcher-links>
- [UK Research Councils](#)
  - Specific countries, themes

# Marie Curie

# Individual Fellowship

## Individual Fellowship

- Goal to enhance creative and innovative potential of experienced researchers (postdoctoral)
  - Skill acquisition through advanced training, international and intersectoral mobility
- Provides opportunities to acquire and transfer new knowledge
- Chance to work on research and innovation in a European context

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/msca-if-2017.html>



## Individual Fellowship

- Support for individual, trans-national fellowships awarded to the best or most promising researchers of any nationality, for employment in EU Member States or [Associated Countries](#)
- Based on an application made jointly by the researcher and the host
- Researchers may opt to include a secondment phase in Europe, notably in the non-academic sector, within the overall duration of their fellowship.
  - The secondment should significantly add to the impact of the fellowship.
- Could be hosted in partnership with Third Country (e.g. Brazil) – host researcher for initial period

# Other funding opportunities

- Royal Society International Exchanges
  - For UK researchers to travel overseas
  - Up to 2 years funding for multiple visits
  - To stimulate new collaborations
- Leverhulme International Fellowships
  - For UK researchers to spend 3 and 12 months abroad
  - Established researchers (3 years academic post)
- ERASMUS+
  - Institutional level funding
  - Exchanges for all staff
  - UoB applying for one (IME, ICMC & CeMEAI (USP), IMPA, IMI (Curitiba) submitted as potential partners - others possible)
- National research funders – RCUK, CNPq

**Obrigada!**

