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## **[NRF] Call for Applications - Foundational Biodiversity Information Programme (FBIP) - Small Grants 2018**

### **INTERNAL DEADLINE - 24 MAY 2018**

Please adhere to the internal deadline for feedback from our internal administrative review process.

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Die NNS het onlangs hul oproep vir '**Foundational Biodiversity Information Programme (FBIP) Small Grants**' geadverteer.

<b>Aktiwiteite:</b>	<b>Algemene NNS riglyn:</b>	<b>Begroting</b>	<b>Voornemende aansoekers word versoek om:</b>
1. generate or mobilize primary biodiversity data sets (species occurrence or specimen data) and / or 2. contribute to the compilation of species pages for the EOL, and / or 3. produce DNA barcodes for species, and / or 4. resolve taxonomic problems to	Aansoekers moet voltydse personeellede of kontrakaanstellings van die universiteit wees. Kontrakpersoneel moet aangestel wees vir (ten minste) die tydperk van die projek waarvoor daar aansoek gedoen word. Kontrakpersoneel wat namens 'n derde party by die universiteit aangestel is om 'n baie spesifieke funksie te verrig, kwalifiseer nie vir befonding nie.	Daar is tans 'n geleentheid vir eenjarige toekennings tussen R50,000 en R200,000.  Gekoppelde-beurse vir nagraadse studente is nie van toepassing nie.	1. Die riglyne (aangeheg) sorgvuldig te bestudeer, insluitend die Keurkaart vir die Beoordeling van Aansoeke (bl. 23 'FBIP Framework'). 2. Hul CV's op <a href="https://nrfsubmission.nrf.ac.za">https://nrfsubmission.nrf.ac.za</a> op te dateer, insluitend huidige nagraadse studente. 3. Hul aansoeke teen 10:00 op <b>24 Mei 2018</b> op <a href="https://nrfsubmission.nrf.ac.za">https://nrfsubmission.nrf.ac.za</a> in te dien ('submit').

<p><i>unlock knowledge critical to other projects</i></p> <p>5. <i>develop or apply innovative approaches to managing or disseminating foundational biodiversity information</i></p> <p>Aansoekers moet aandui hoe die navorsingsprojek 'n impak sal maak t.o.v. die verstaan –en versag van ‘global change’ en die ‘bio-ekonomie’</p>	<p><u>Na-doktorale genote en studente kwalifiseer nie om aansoek te doen nie.</u></p>		
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**Dear Colleague,**

The NRF recently advertised a funding opportunity for the **Foundational Biodiversity Information Programme (FBIP) Small Grants**.

<b>Activities:</b>	<b>General NRF-guideline:</b>	<b>Budget:</b>	<b>Prospective applicants are requested to:</b>
<p>1. <i>generate or mobilize primary biodiversity data sets (species occurrence or specimen data) and / or</i></p> <p>2. <i>contribute to the compilation of species pages for the EOL, and / or</i></p> <p>3. <i>produce DNA barcodes for species, and / or</i></p>	<p>Applicants must be full time or contract staff members of the university. Contract staff must be appointed for (at least) the duration of the project applied for in the submission. A contract researcher appointed at the university on</p>	<p>This is a NRF funding opportunity for one year grants between R50,000 and R200,000 for the following activities.</p> <p>Grantholder-linked student bursary is not applicable.</p>	<p>1. Study the guidelines (attached) carefully, including the Scorecard for the Assessment of Proposals (p.23, FBIP Framework)</p> <p>2. Update their CV's on <a href="https://nrfs submission.nrf.ac.za">https://nrfs submission.nrf.ac.za</a>, including current postgraduate students.</p> <p>3. Submit their applications on <a href="https://nrfs submission.nrf.ac.za">https://nrfs submission.nrf.ac.za</a> by 10:00 on <b>24 May 2018</b></p>

<p>4. <i>resolve taxonomic problems to unlock knowledge critical to other projects</i></p> <p>5. <i>develop or apply innovative approaches to managing or disseminating foundational biodiversity information</i></p> <p>Proposals must indicate how the project will impact on understanding and mitigation of global change and / or the bio-economy.</p>	<p>behalf of a third party to fulfil a very specific function for the latter does not qualify for support.</p> <p><u>Postdoctoral fellows and students do not</u> qualify for this opportunity.</p>		
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# Call for Applications

## Foundational Biodiversity Information Programme (FBIP) Small Grants 2018

The primary focus of the Programme is to generate, mobilize, co-ordinate and make accessible foundational biodiversity knowledge in line with the needs of society, the Department of Science & Technology (DST) Global Change Programme and the bio-economy. The priority knowledge needs relate to species occurrence, species identity, population abundance, and DNA information, particularly barcoding. This type of information is often referred to as “fundamental” or “foundational” because it forms the basis of so many other aspects of biodiversity research and decision-making. More details of the Programme and Call are provided in the Programme Framework document.

Proposals for small, strategic projects that address critical gaps relevant to foundational biodiversity information and knowledge are invited.

The following eligibility criteria are applicable for projects:

- ❖ Only researchers at NRF recognized research institutions<sup>[1]</sup> in South Africa are eligible to apply as the principal investigator. Post-doctoral fellows and students are not eligible to apply. A detailed description of applicant eligibility can be found in the Programme Framework document (4.2.2).
- ❖ Applicants (PIs) may appear as Principal Investigator (PI) on a maximum of three proposals per annual cycle submitted in response to this call.
- ❖ Team members may also include a co-investigator(s) and research associates / collaborators as specified in the Programme Framework document (4.2.3).
- ❖ Projects must identify specific users of the knowledge generated / information co-ordinated and must indicate how the data will be made accessible.
- ❖ Projects must explicitly align with and contribute to the implementation of one of the following national strategies: The Bioeconomy Strategy of the Department of Science and Technology (2013); Biodiversity Economy Strategy (Bes) for the Department of Environmental Affairs (2015); or South Africa's 2<sup>nd</sup> National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan (NBSAP) 2015-2025.
- ❖ Proposals must indicate how the project will impact on understanding and mitigation of global change and / or the bio-economy.
- ❖ The data generated or mobilized through the grant must be provided to the FBIP / SANBI in the required format at the end of the project. This is to ensure that the data can be archived, integrated and made accessible for a range of applications and products.
- ❖ Successful applicants must sign the Conditions of Grant (COG) agreement as specified in the attachments to the award letter.
- ❖ Data must be made available no later than 18 months after the date of signing the Conditions of Grant for small grants.
- ❖ Grantholders who have not submitted data within the specified timeframes from previous grants will not be eligible to receive further funding from the FBIP until the data have been submitted.

Projects must:

- ❖ generate or mobilize primary biodiversity data sets (species occurrence or specimen data) and / or
- ❖ contribute to the compilation of species pages according to the specifications of the FBIP, and / or
- ❖ produce DNA barcodes for species using the accepted barcode gene/s for the taxon with data submitted to BOLD, and / or
- ❖ resolve taxonomic problems to unlock knowledge critical to other projects or
- ❖ develop or apply innovative approaches to generating, managing or disseminating foundational biodiversity information.

Notes:

- ❖ The FBIP is funded through the DST and is required to report on the outputs from funding allocations. This means that in addition to the standard NRF reports, grantholders will be expected to provide details of outputs, and email project progress updates to the FBIP management team.
- ❖ It is critical for the continuation of the FBIP that grant recipients deliver the outputs specified in their proposals and

that this is done within the proposed timeframes. Potential applicants are therefore advised to carefully consider the outputs and the timeframes for their project, and to be as accurate as possible in their proposal.

#### Funding details and duration of project

- ◆ Small grants award a maximum of R200,000 per grant for a one year period.
- ◆ Funding allocated through the Programme will be for research purposes as outlined in the Programme Framework document (5.3).

#### Call application and assessment process

- ◆ Detailed information about the application and assessment processes are provided in Section 4.3 of the Programme Framework document.

Applications must be submitted electronically via the NRF's Online Submission System at <https://nrfs submission.nrf.ac.za>.


All applications must be endorsed by the research office of the principal applicant before submission to the NRF.

Institutions must set their own internal closing date for DAs to validate applications by the closing date. Incomplete or late submissions will not be accepted.

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