Q&A Session for NFRFT 2026 LOI Webinar - EN

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‑­Sibat Anam­ (­sibat@torontomu.ca­)­ - 12:58 PM­

Q: ­Yes­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 12:58 PM­

A: ­This question has been answered verbally.­‑

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‑­Felipe Scarpetta­ (­juan.garcia@humber.ca­)­ - 12:58 PM­

Q: ­yes i can hear­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 12:58 PM­

A: ­This question has been answered verbally.­‑

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‑­Gillian­ (­gcalder@uvic.ca­)­ - 12:58 PM­

Q: ­I can hear you!­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 12:58 PM­

A: ­This question has been answered verbally.­‑

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‑­Ruth Knechtel­ (­ruth.knechtel@umanitoba.ca­)­ - 12:58 PM­

Q: ­Yes, I can hear you­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 12:59 PM­

A: ­This question has been answered verbally.­‑

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‑­Fei­ (­feiyue@ualberta.ca­)­ - 12:58 PM­

Q: ­yes­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Paola Marignani­ (­paola.marignani@dal.ca­)­ - 1:01 PM­

Q: ­I would like a copy of the webinar please. Paola Marignani (Dalhousie)­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:01 PM­

A: ­Hello, please email us this request at : NFRF-FNFR@chairs-chaires.gc.ca­‑

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‑­H.P. Vasantha Rupasinghe­ (­vrupasinghe@dal.ca­)­ - 1:02 PM­

Q: ­Please clarify font requirement of the supporting document Arial Black (11) or Arial black color (11)­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:06 PM­

A: ­Arial 11, the "black" refers to the colour, not the font type. https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/instructions\_attachment-instructions\_piece\_jointe-eng.aspx­‑

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‑­Chamaa, Samira­ (­schamaa@cheo.on.ca­)­ - 1:08 PM­

Q: ­what is the success rate for the LOI phase?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:09 PM­

A: ­Success rates can be found on the dashboard on our website: https://app.powerbi.com/view?r=eyJrIjoiNzczYTMxMjUtNDUxMS00N2ZmLTg5MjQtNmZlNzEyMmM2ZjMzIiwidCI6ImZiZWYwNzk4LTIwZTMtNGJlNy1iZGM4LTM3MjAzMjYxMGY2NSJ9&language=en-ca­‑

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‑­Stephanie Kast­ (­skast@uvic.ca­)­ - 1:08 PM­

Q: ­Hi Melanie, It seems I am having tech issues and my speakers are not working. If I email you would I be able to get a copy of the session?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:08 PM­

A: ­Yes! If you send us an email, we will send you the slides and recording­‑

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‑­Stephanie Kast­ (­skast@uvic.ca­)­ - 1:08 PM­

Q: ­Thank you! What is the best email to use?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:08 PM­

A: ­NFRF-FNFR@chairs-chaires.gc.ca please send your emails here.­‑

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‑­Ravi de Costa­ (­adres@yorku.ca­)­ - 1:10 PM­

Q: ­If someone included in an NOI needed to step off at the LOI stage, is that possible?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:10 PM­

A: ­The core 5 first members added at the NOI should remain the same. However if there is a situation that requires someone to step down it is possible. You will need to email us and provide justification.­‑

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‑­Sherri Klassen­ (­s.klassen@utoronto.ca­)­ - 1:11 PM­

Q: ­Can members of international orgs like UN branches or World Bank be co-apps?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:12 PM­

A: ­UN and World Bank would be ineligible as they represent states.­‑

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‑­ChungHyuk Lee­ (­chunghyuk.lee@torontomu.ca­)­ - 1:11 PM­

Q: ­May researchers who are already an NPI or co-PI of an on-going NFRF Transformation awarded project, may they join a new project application as a co-applicant?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:56 PM­

A: ­This question has been answered verbally.­‑

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‑­Jenna Evans­ (­Jenna.Evans@mcmaster.ca­)­ - 1:12 PM­

Q: ­Thanks for explaining eligibility requirements. Can an individual with a MD who is a PhD Candidate at my institution be a co-applicant on the grant with me?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:13 PM­

A: ­Students, postdoctoral fellows, and research associates are not eligible to participate as a co-PI or co-applicant.­‑

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‑­Tara­ (­tcallagh@stfx.ca­)­ - 1:13 PM­

Q: ­Is it possible to be a Co\_PI on a Transformation and on an Exploration application?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:13 PM­

A: ­Yes­‑

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‑­Sharmistha Mishra­ (­sharmistha.mishra@utoronto.ca­)­ - 1:13 PM­

Q: ­To double-check: can individuals who are employed by a non-governmental, not-for-profit organization, be included as a co-applicant?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:14 PM­

A: ­Yes. The co-PIs’ and co-applicants’ affiliation may be a Canadian postsecondary institution, a Canadian institution or organization that does not have full institutional eligibility with one of the three granting agencies, or an international institution outside of Canada. However, it may not be a federal, provincial, territorial or municipal government department or a for-profit organization.­‑

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‑­Farrell Leibovitch­ (­farrell.leibovitch@sunnybrook.ca­)­ - 1:14 PM­

Q: ­how many NOIs were submitted?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:15 PM­

A: ­Hello, 466 NOI were submitted.­‑

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‑­ChungHyuk Lee­ (­chunghyuk.lee@torontomu.ca­)­ - 1:14 PM­

Q: ­May researchers who are already an NPI or co-PI of an on-going NFRF Transformation awarded project, may they join a new project application as a co-applicant?

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Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:15 PM­

A: ­Yes­‑

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‑­Jenna Evans­ (­Jenna.Evans@mcmaster.ca­)­ - 1:14 PM­

Q: ­Thanks for clarifying. Does that mean such an individual is also ineligible to be listed as a "collaborator" on the grant?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­Alice Glaze - NFRF/FNFR­­­­ - 1:17 PM­

A: ­Students, postdoctoral fellows, research associates and such positions are eligible to participate as a collaborator if they are not supervised by the NPI, co-PI, co-applicant and/or another collaborator.­‑

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‑­Tanvir­ (­tanvir.qureshi@cnl.ca­)­ - 1:14 PM­

Q: ­Can a R&D scientict from Canadian Nuclear Laboratory be a PI or Co-Pi in a proposal?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:18 PM­

A: ­No, but please send us an e-mail so we can evaluate the eligibility in more detail.­‑

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‑­Kelly Cubbon­ (­kcubbon@mail.ubc.ca­)­ - 1:15 PM­

Q: ­Are you able to share the number of NOIs that were submitted nationally for the 2026 cycle of this competition? ­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:16 PM­

A: ­Hello, 466 NOI were submitted.­‑

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‑­Vera Kettnaker­ (­vmk@queensu.ca­)­ - 1:16 PM­

Q: ­How should applicants compute how much time to claim for COVID impacts (for determining if someone is still considered an ECR), e.g., NSERC uses equivalent time periods depending on % percent impact. ­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:18 PM­

A: ­Please refer to the ECR question in our FAQ: https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/transformation/2026/faq-eng.aspx#3­‑

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‑­Vera­ (­vera.granikov@chairepartenariat.ca­)­ - 1:16 PM­

Q: ­Does that mean that students/trainees can be included as collaborators? But then they cannot be paid from this grant if funded, is that right?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:20 PM­

A: ­Students, postdoctoral fellows, research associates and such positions are eligible to participate as a collaborator if they are not supervised by the NPI, co-PI, co-applicant and/or another collaborator.­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:21 PM­

A: ­The more detailed budget table and justification are required at the Full Application stage.­‑

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‑­Matthew Herder­ (­Matthew.Herder@dal.ca­)­ - 1:16 PM­

Q: ­I have two Qs. 1) I understand that the $ can’t be used to set up a centre or institute. Hwvr, can the funding be used to set up a not-for-profit company or charitable organization? In other words, how are the terms centre/institute defined? …

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Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:19 PM­

A: ­No the funds from the Transformation grant cannot be used to set up a not for profit company or charitable organization.­‑

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‑­Anna Zalik­ (­azalik@yorku.ca­)­ - 1:17 PM­

Q: ­Can a collaborator's travel to a meeting of the team be covered by the budget?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­Alice Glaze - NFRF/FNFR­­­­ - 1:19 PM­

A: ­No, collaborators cannot be supported by grant funds in any way.­‑

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‑­Matthew Herder­ (­Matthew.Herder@dal.ca­)­ - 1:17 PM­

Q: ­…2) The call talks about world-leading research and global impact. But most of the projects funded in the past have a very Canadian focus. Can/should projects focus on impacts outside of Canada?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:21 PM­

A: ­Yes they can be focus on impacts outside of Canada, this is not against the rules of this program. ­‑

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‑­Amanda Grzyb Western­ (­agrzyb@uwo.ca­)­ - 1:18 PM­

Q: ­What is the percentage of projects primarily grounded in SSHRC-side research (with important contributions from NSERC and CIHR colleagues) that make it to the full application stage? Have projects with a strong SSHRC-side orientation ever been awarded an NFRF-T? ­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:20 PM­

A: ­Here is the link to the 2020 funded and on our website under each competition year you will get this information and can see what we ahve funded. https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/transformation/2020/award\_recipients-titulaires\_subvention-eng.aspx­‑

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‑­perry­ (­perry@cfn-nce.ca­)­ - 1:20 PM­

Q: ­Is a budget justification needed at the LOI stage? I dont see any place to add justification at the LOI stage in the portal.­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:56 PM­

A: ­This question has been answered verbally.­‑

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‑­Mike Page­ (­michael.page@unityhealth.to­)­ - 1:20 PM­

Q: ­there is a seperate section on EDI-RD and EDI-RP, is it recommend to expand upon these sections in the 10 page proposal that is submitted? ­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­Alice Glaze - NFRF/FNFR­­­­ - 1:24 PM­

A: ­The focus of the research proposal should be to address the points listed in the LOI guide: https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/transformation/2026/guide\_LOI-guide\_LI-eng.aspx­‑

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‑­Stephan Malbrunot­ (­sette@triumf.ca­)­ - 1:20 PM­

Q: ­Can funding be requested for lab renovation?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­Alice Glaze - NFRF/FNFR­­­­ - 1:26 PM­

A: ­Expenditures must follow the TAGFA. Lab renovation is not considered an eligible direct cost. https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/InterAgency-Interorganismes/TAFA-AFTO/guide-guide\_eng.asp#13­‑

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‑­Harry­ (­harish.veeramani@uottawa.ca­)­ - 1:21 PM­

Q: ­Are ECRs needed at the LOI stage? I ask this because there is an ECR section (that counts as pass fail for EDI-RP)­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:22 PM­

A: ­Hello, yes by the submittion of the LOI, there needs to be 1 ECR selected.­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:23 PM­

A: ­Yes, please see point F of the LOI Guide: https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/transformation/2026/guide\_LOI-guide\_LI-eng.aspx­‑

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‑­Sharmistha Mishra­ (­sharmistha.mishra@utoronto.ca­)­ - 1:21 PM­

Q: ­Are there specific criteria re: suggested reviewers with respect to not having any conflicts of interest with all team members: eg. never published together or not published together within last X years, etc.? ­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:25 PM­

A: ­Hello, Yes the suggested reviewer would have to be people who have the expertise and are not in conflict of interest. Therefore no collaborations for the last 6 years. ­‑

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‑­Vera Kettnaker­ (­vmk@queensu.ca­)­ - 1:21 PM­

Q: ­Will external reviewers evaluate the LOI or only the full application?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:25 PM­

A: ­Only the Full Application­‑

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‑­Ian Stewart­ (­ian.stewart@ukings.ca­)­ - 1:21 PM­

Q: ­May a co-applicant use award funds to pay a consultant's contribution to the proposed research?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:26 PM­

A: ­It is possible for Co-applicants to hire consultants. I would encourage you to visit this website that gives additional information about hiring consultants. https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/InterAgency-Interorganismes/TAFA-AFTO/guide-guide\_eng.asp­‑

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‑­Vera­ (­vera.granikov@chairepartenariat.ca­)­ - 1:22 PM­

Q: ­Thank you, but since collaborators cannot be paid that means that students cannot be remunerated, is that right?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:28 PM­

A: ­They can receive stipends as a direct cost of research and be included as HQP.­‑

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‑­Brad MacIntosh­ (­brad.macintosh@utoronto.ca­)­ - 1:23 PM­

Q: ­I have a budget question. Is there a maximum capital expenditure? I.e. Can $1 Million equipment cost be included?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:34 PM­

A: ­Hello I encourage you to see our use of grant funds website it will discuss limitations of purchasing equipment for research. If it does not cover the situation you have please email us and we will ensure to find the correct answer. https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/InterAgency-Interorganismes/TAFA-AFTO/guide-guide\_eng.asp­‑

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‑­Grace ­ (­gwright@cigionline.org­)­ - 1:25 PM­

Q: ­Could you speak to examples from previous years of how the impact and significance of change has been identified/articulated, particularly for any policy-focused topics? ­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­Alice Glaze - NFRF/FNFR­­­­ - 1:37 PM­

A: ­You can read the Research summaries from the 2020, 2022 and 2024 projects here: https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/transformation/2020/award\_recipients-titulaires\_subvention-eng.aspx and https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/transformation/2022/award\_recipients-titulaires\_subvention-eng.aspx and https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/transformation/2024/award\_recipients-titulaires\_subvention-eng.aspx­‑

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‑­Letitia Meynell­ (­Letitia.Meynell@dal.ca­)­ - 1:24 PM­

Q: ­Can past experience or success in EDI efforts be included in the EDI section.? In my experience meaningful success in EDI is a question of culture and commitment and not the performance of checking various boxes, which is what my research office encourages us to do. ­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­Alice Glaze - NFRF/FNFR­­­­ - 1:40 PM­

A: ­Best practices can include context but cannot include personal information from this or past projects. Please see the EDI Best Practices Guide for more information: https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/edi-eng.aspx­‑

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‑­Tara­ (­tcallagh@stfx.ca­)­ - 1:24 PM­

Q: ­The convergence portal instructions for EDI-RP highlight that the ‘focus is ib the team’s commitment to EDI in its research practice, not on the team’s EDI profile’ and then says ,‘If relevant, information that reveals the affiliation of the team members (including departments, lab groups, etc) may be included in this section’. These two points seem to be inconsistent. ­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­Alice Glaze - NFRF/FNFR­­­­ - 1:43 PM­

A: ­You may focus on how the team will demonstrate its commitment to EDI-RP, but please do not the team's profile (that is, for example, the number of team members who identify as different underrepresented groups). You may refer to specific labs, departments, etc.­‑

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‑­Tara­ (­tcallagh@stfx.ca­)­ - 1:24 PM­

Q: ­Also, in the ‘Best practices’ document there is a statement that if a team member wanted to self-identify because it is directly relevant to the application’s research topic, then they could do so- the example given is to disclose they have lived experience. Please clarify. ­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Ian Sutherland­ (­ian.sutherland@jacobs.com­)­ - 1:24 PM­

Q: ­I just want to double check my understanding that coollaborators are not allowed to be paided for any of their costs from the awarded budget. Is that correct?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:28 PM­

A: ­Yes, Collaborators can only be named. no funds can be given to them in any way. ­‑

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‑­Mike Page­ (­michael.page@unityhealth.to­)­ - 1:25 PM­

Q: ­are references considered within the evaluation criteria? ­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:38 PM­

A: ­The references are shared with the committee members and are referenced. ­‑

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‑­perry­ (­perry@cfn-nce.ca­)­ - 1:25 PM­

Q: ­Is a budget justification needed at the LOI stage? I dont see any place to add justification at the LOI stage in the portal.­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:56 PM­

A: ­This question has been answered verbally.­‑

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‑­Samansa Maneshi­ (­smaneshi@lphys.chem.utoronto.ca­)­ - 1:25 PM­

Q: ­In the ECR section, could you please clarify whether name and/or research area of an ECR can be provided.­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:39 PM­

A: ­The research area can absolutely be given in this section. I would only name the ECR if it is relevant to the research project proposed. If it is not necessary you can just speak about the ECR and what part of the project they will work on.­‑

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‑­Harry­ (­harish.veeramani@uottawa.ca­)­ - 1:26 PM­

Q: ­Thank you, Sinisa & Melanie­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:28 PM­

A: ­This question has been answered verbally.­‑

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‑­Amy Hurford­ (­ahurford@mun.ca­)­ - 1:26 PM­

Q: ­Some bullet points about the structure of the research proposal just appeared on a slide, but I did not see this information in the instructions or on the convergence portal? Is there an expected structure of the LOI research proposal?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:40 PM­

A: ­Convergence is setup in the structure that is desired. All relevant information needed will be asked within the portal. There is not an expected structure other than the one we provide within the portal.­‑

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‑­perry­ (­perry@cfn-nce.ca­)­ - 1:27 PM­

Q: ­Is a budget justification needed at the LOI stage? I dont see any place to add justification at the LOI stage in the portal.­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:30 PM­

A: ­No justification is required at the LOI stage. The justification will be asked at the full application stage.­‑

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‑­Farrell Leibovitch­ (­farrell.leibovitch@sunnybrook.ca­)­ - 1:27 PM­

Q: ­who will be reviewing LOIs and selecting those that will be invited for full applications (if not the external reviewers)?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:30 PM­

A: ­The multidisciplinary/multisectoral review panel. This will be addressed in a later slide. You can also see the review process here: https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/transformation/2026/reviewers\_manual-guide\_de\_l\_evaluateur-eng.aspx#7­‑

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‑­Vera Kettnaker­ (­vmk@queensu.ca­)­ - 1:27 PM­

Q: ­Can the ECR section mention the ECR roles in the project (e.g., co-PI) or specific expertise they bring to the project as long as their names are not mentioned? Should the ECR plan include ECR collaborators or only ECRs who are NPI, co-PI or co-applicants? ­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Cecilia Jenkins­ (­Cecilia@JenkinsSolutions.ca­)­ - 1:29 PM­

Q: ­If the LOIs are not evaluated by external reviewers, how do you ensure correct understanding of the proposed science in myriad fields? ­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:31 PM­

A: ­Hello, the LOI will be reviewed by the multidisciplinary committee and we assigned the LOI based on expertise. Therefore, there will be an expert to ensure that the proposed research project is properly reviewed.­‑

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‑­Will Teal­ (­tealw@mcmaster.ca­)­ - 1:29 PM­

Q: ­Can an NPI on one application be listed as a co-PI on a separate LOI?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:31 PM­

A: ­No­‑

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‑­Anna Zalik­ (­azalik@yorku.ca­)­ - 1:29 PM­

Q: ­Why would this specification on collaborators not being supported in any way be the case? If a colleague may provide advice, and you wish to bring them to a meeting you would be discouraged not to include them with this rule, which is hard to understand.­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:32 PM­

A: ­This is how our program is setup, but thank you for your feedback.­‑

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‑­marie-soleil gauthier­ (­marie-soleil.gauthier@ircm.qc.ca­)­ - 1:33 PM­

Q: ­if a researcher from a for-profit is a collaborator, are we allowed to use NFRF funds to buy products / services from that company?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:40 PM­

A: ­No, if they are named as collaborator no funds from the grant can be used to pay them.­‑

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‑­Daisy Singla­ (­daisy.singla@utoronto.ca­)­ - 1:33 PM­

Q: ­is there any disadvanage to include US sites and investigators?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­Alice Glaze - NFRF/FNFR­­­­ - 1:44 PM­

A: ­Please include the best world-leading team members as applicable for the project.­‑

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‑­Cecilia Jenkins­ (­Cecilia@JenkinsSolutions.ca­)­ - 1:33 PM­

Q: ­About this multidisc cttee at the LOI stage, how many people make up this committee? How are the files vetted? Are there at least three readers of each file?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:35 PM­

A: ­This will be addressed in a later slide. Each LOI submission will be assigned to five members for review. Language abilities and expertise will be taken into account when assigning LOIs.­‑

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‑­Tara­ (­tcallagh@stfx.ca­)­ - 1:33 PM­

Q: ­The convergence portal instructions for EDI-RP highlight that the ‘focus is ib the team’s commitment to EDI in its research practice, not on the team’s EDI profile’ and then says ,‘If relevant, information that reveals the affiliation of the team members (including departments, lab groups, etc) may be included in this section’. These points seem inconsistent. ­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­Alice Glaze - NFRF/FNFR­­­­ - 1:44 PM­

A: ­This question has been answered verbally.­‑

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‑­Tara­ (­tcallagh@stfx.ca­)­ - 1:34 PM­

Q: ­Also, in the ‘Best practices’ document there is a statement that if a team member wanted to self-identify because it is directly relevant to the application’s research topic, then they could do so- the example given is to disclose they have lived experience. Please clarify. ­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:35 PM­

A: ­This question has been answered verbally.­‑

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‑­Tanvir­ (­tanvir.qureshi@cnl.ca­)­ - 1:35 PM­

Q: ­As an Adjunct Professor, would I be eligible to access research funding as a Co-PI?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:38 PM­

A: ­You would need to be an "independent researcher" based on our definition. Please send us an e-mail if you have any doubts. Definition can be found here: https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/transformation/2026/competition-concours-eng.aspx ­‑

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‑­AT­ (­aarati.taksal.comtl@ssss.gouv.qc.ca­)­ - 1:35 PM­

Q: ­what if a researcher idi not submit an NOI? can they still apply for LOI?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:35 PM­

A: ­No­‑

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‑­Michael Verwey­ (­michael.verwey@concordia.ca­)­ - 1:36 PM­

Q: ­You mentioned there would be 20-25 full applications, but to know success rate, do we have confirmation of how many NOIs were received for NFRF-T 2026?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:41 PM­

A: ­Hello, 466 NOI were submitted.­‑

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‑­Sapna Sharma­ (­sharma11@yorku.ca­)­ - 1:36 PM­

Q: ­Can individuals working at UN agencies be included as collaborators?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:38 PM­

A: ­Yes­‑

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‑­Sara Mueller­ (­sara.mueller@usask.ca­)­ - 1:36 PM­

Q: ­Do projects that indicate that they are Indigenous research recieve a review from an expert in Indigenous research? ­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:42 PM­

A: ­Yes, any application that touches on indigenous research, receives a 1 committee member that has indigenous expertise. ­‑

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‑­Shooka Karimpour­ (­Shooka@yorku.ca­)­ - 1:36 PM­

Q: ­Sorry if discussed - who composes the review panel for LOI?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:57 PM­

A: ­The LOI is a multidisciplinary committee we use the FoR codes from the NOI to build this committee to ensure we have the correct expertise needed.­‑

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‑­M. Albert­ (­malbert@oicr.on.ca­)­ - 1:37 PM­

Q: ­What information is required from co-PIs and co-apps at LOI stage? Is a c.v. or BIO required? In Convergence is it simply: affiliations, ECR status, and institution eligibility + fields/keywords, EDI self-ID. Or is there more needed?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:43 PM­

A: ­Hello, all that is needed is sent when you invite them to be a participant. They will receive a short questionaire of 6-7 steps and once they complete this , they are added to the application and all information we need has been submitted. They will need to create a convergence account, state their affiliations, keywords, and fields of research codes. ­‑

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‑­Rackeb­ (­rackeb\_tesfaye@sfu.ca­)­ - 1:37 PM­

Q: ­To clarify, Postdocs and Research Associates cannot be listed as both a collaborator and HQP on the app? ­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Ian Stewart­ (­ian.stewart@ukings.ca­)­ - 1:37 PM­

Q: ­Thanks Melanie but now I am confused. We cannot support the work of a consultant with award funds who has been named as a collaborator , but a consultant may receive funds via a co-applicant to support the co-applicant's research. Is the difference that in the second case the consultant is doing work 'for' the co-applicant rather than for themselves?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Ian Stewart­ (­ian.stewart@ukings.ca­)­ - 1:39 PM­

Q: ­Is being a high risk project a good thing or a bad thing in this program?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:40 PM­

A: ­High Risk on the Transformation stream focuses on the \_novelty\_. It is not meant as "high risk of failure". Please refer to the Merit Indicators: https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/transformation/2026/merit\_indicators-indicateurs\_du\_merite-eng.aspx­‑

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‑­perry­ (­perry@cfn-nce.ca­)­ - 1:39 PM­

Q: ­Does each collaborator need to provide a letter of collaboration?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:44 PM­

A: ­No , nothing from collaborators are required. They are simply added to the application. ­‑

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‑­Daisy Singla­ (­daisy.singla@utoronto.ca­)­ - 1:40 PM­

Q: ­what are some examples of STRAC?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­Tricia Meaud - TIPS/SSHRC­­­­ - 1:41 PM­

A: ­https://science.gc.ca/site/science/en/safeguarding-your-research/guidelines-and-tools-implement-research-security/sensitive-technology-research-and-affiliations-concern/sensitive-technology-research-areas­‑

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‑­chelsea­ (­cjones@brocku.ca­)­ - 1:41 PM­

Q: ­One of our team members is blind. Are these attestation forms available in an accessible way that will be possible for them to sign?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­Tricia Meaud - TIPS/SSHRC­­­­ - 1:41 PM­

A: ­yes­‑

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‑­Chamaa, Samira­ (­schamaa@cheo.on.ca­)­ - 1:41 PM­

Q: ­For the STRAC...how does one really determine if a project will "advance research technolgy" ? It is often difficult to explain this to researchers. ­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­Tricia Meaud - TIPS/SSHRC­­­­ - 1:43 PM­

A: ­https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/InterAgency-Interorganismes/RS-SR/strac-rtsap\_eng.asp#a21­‑

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‑­AT­ (­aarati.taksal.comtl@ssss.gouv.qc.ca­)­ - 1:42 PM­

Q: ­can the study take place in multiple countries?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:42 PM­

A: ­YEs­‑

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‑­Fei­ (­feiyue@ualberta.ca­)­ - 1:42 PM­

Q: ­The attestation form refers to a participant as a "researcher". However, a collaborator might be a CEO of a company, and not a researcher. Do they complete the same attestation form? Thanks.­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Tanvir­ (­tanvir.qureshi@cnl.ca­)­ - 1:43 PM­

Q: ­Ok, thanks for clarifying ­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:44 PM­

A: ­This question has been answered verbally.­‑

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‑­Sasha Mullally­ (­sasham@unb.ca­)­ - 1:43 PM­

Q: ­Can the project add new co-Applicants after the grant has been awarded? ­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:43 PM­

A: ­Yes­‑

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‑­Ngozi Enelamah­ (­ngozi.enelamah@unh.edu­)­ - 1:43 PM­

Q: ­Can we get a copy of the presentation/webinar to review with our team.­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:45 PM­

A: ­Please email us at NFRF-FNFR@chairs-chaires.gc.ca and we will send it to you in a few days­‑

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‑­Heather Harris­ (­hharris@cansolveckd.ca­)­ - 1:43 PM­

Q: ­When will the successful LOI's be notified?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:44 PM­

A: ­Please refer to the competition timeline: https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/transformation/2026/competition-concours-eng.aspx#6­‑

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‑­Vera­ (­vera.granikov@chairepartenariat.ca­)­ - 1:44 PM­

Q: ­Sorry for another question about this. Do I understand correctly that students, postdoctoral fellows, research associates who ARE supervised by the NPI, co-PI, co-applicant and/or another collaborator can be included as HQP at the full application stage in order to be remunerated (as direct costs)? Thank you­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:45 PM­

A: ­This question has been answered verbally.­‑

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‑­christopher pearson­ (­christopher.pearson@sickkids.ca­)­ - 1:44 PM­

Q: ­Will you share the slide deck?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:45 PM­

A: ­Please email us : NFRF-FNFR@chairs-chaires.gc.ca and we will send them to you.­‑

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‑­Chanele­ (­ccyrdepauw@ohri.ca­)­ - 1:44 PM­

Q: ­Can collaborators be considered as part of ECRs on the team?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:46 PM­

A: ­No the collaborators cannot be the only ECR as they are not counted as being a part of the application. ­‑

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‑­Ian Stewart­ (­ian.stewart@ukings.ca­)­ - 1:44 PM­

Q: ­If the RGO needs indirect costs to have the staff support needed to support a successful application, does this count against an NPI's application?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - FNFR Deborah Amanuel­­­­ - 1:48 PM­

A: ­Indirest cost are for activities performed during the execution of the project and not prior to receiving the grant.­‑

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‑­Mark­ (­mtaylor4@ualberta.ca­)­ - 1:44 PM­

Q: ­Can you please provide a transcript of these questions & answers? ­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - FNFR Deborah Amanuel­­­­ - 1:46 PM­

A: ­Please email us at nfrf-fnfr@chairs-chaires.gc.ca. ­‑

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‑­Miguel Ramalho-Santos­ (­mrsantos@lunenfeld.ca­)­ - 1:45 PM­

Q: ­When is the SRAC attestation required? LOI or full application?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:46 PM­

A: ­At the Full application­‑

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‑­Kelly Cubbon­ (­kcubbon@mail.ubc.ca­)­ - 1:45 PM­

Q: ­For the STRAC policy, is there an initial form prior to attestation forms? I.e where do people tick 'yes' or 'no' regarding the policy?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­Philippe Villeneuve­­­­ - 1:50 PM­

A: ­No, the answer is asked in the application module on STRAC. ­‑

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‑­Lucy Gilbert­ (­lucy.gilbert@mcgill.ca­)­ - 1:45 PM­

Q: ­can we ask questions verbally?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:46 PM­

A: ­Unfortunately that's not possible given the size of the audience.­‑

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‑­Katie Koralesky­ (­katie.koralesky@ubc.ca­)­ - 1:45 PM­

Q: ­Is there a limit or suggestion for the make up of Canadian vs. international team members?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:47 PM­

A: ­No, we encourage the teams to assemble the best possible team to ensure that your project is a success. There can be as many international team members as needed.­‑

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‑­Kevin Hamilton­ (­kevin.hamilton@utoronto.ca­)­ - 1:45 PM­

Q: ­Where on convergence do we create a test LoI. If there is no NoI, can we still create a test LoI? I can;t see where we would now create a ZZZ test version­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:46 PM­

A: ­If there is no NOI, then you cannot create a test LOI.­‑

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‑­Robin Cassady-cain­ (­robin.cassady-cain@sri.utoronto.ca­)­ - 1:45 PM­

Q: ­I have a question about involving NGO's in grants where they will contribute to the research and want to flow funds to them.­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Susan Gaskin­ (­susan.gaskin@mcgill.ca­)­ - 1:46 PM­

Q: ­Is any validation or verification of international co-applicants required?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Amy Hurford­ (­ahurford@mun.ca­)­ - 1:46 PM­

Q: ­Convergence portal doesn't allow a co-app's role at the NOI stage to be change to co-PI at LOI stage. Do I need to email about this? TY!­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Novog - McMaster­ (­novog@mcmaster.ca­)­ - 1:46 PM­

Q: ­I believe there was a small change in the aspects of Indigenous not-for-profits that act within the project as collaborators. For work not covered under their existing programs, can NFRF funds be used to support their involvement?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Chanele­ (­ccyrdepauw@ohri.ca­)­ - 1:46 PM­

Q: ­thank you­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­James Scholey­ (­james.scholey@uhn.ca­)­ - 1:46 PM­

Q: ­Can a co-investigator become a co-PI­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:48 PM­

A: ­Hello, I believe a co-investigator for us IS the same as a co-pi. However, roles changes can be possible. please email us so that we can properly answer you. ­‑

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‑­Amanda Grzyb Western­ (­agrzyb@uwo.ca­)­ - 1:46 PM­

Q: ­Can UN employees be collaborators?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Issa Traore­ (­itraore@uvic.ca­)­ - 1:46 PM­

Q: ­Must STRAC be addressed before LOI or after.­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­Philippe Villeneuve­­­­ - 1:54 PM­

A: ­Only during the application­‑

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‑­Tara­ (­tcallagh@stfx.ca­)­ - 1:46 PM­

Q: ­Can an individual be listed as Co-PI on both a tranformation application and and Exploration application?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­James Pinfold­ (­jpinfold@ualberta.ca­)­ - 1:46 PM­

Q: ­Please repeat the definition of an ECR ­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:47 PM­

A: ­The definition can be found in our literature (CTRL+F Early Career Researcher): https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/transformation/2026/competition-concours-eng.aspx­‑

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‑­geraldine delbes­ (­geraldine.delbes@inrs.ca­)­ - 1:46 PM­

Q: ­Did I understand correctly that no CV is needed?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:48 PM­

A: ­Correct­‑

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‑­Sibat Anam­ (­ananna.kwiatkowska@usherbrooke.ca­)­ - 1:47 PM­

Q: ­Yes­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Felipe Scarpetta­ (­ananna.kwiatkowska@usherbrooke.ca­)­ - 1:47 PM­

Q: ­yes i can hear­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:49 PM­

A: ­This question has been answered verbally.­‑

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‑­Natasha Christie-Holmes­ (­natasha.christie@utoronto.ca­)­ - 1:47 PM­

Q: ­For the 2024 competition - how many NOIs were there? How many LOIs?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:49 PM­

A: ­2024 NOI - 255 2024 LOI - 196­‑

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‑­Maya Chaddah­ (­mayachaddah@xplornet.ca­)­ - 1:47 PM­

Q: ­For the last competiton, 6 NFRF-T grants were funded. In that competition, how many NOIs did you receive, and for this competition, do you expect to also fund up to 6 projects?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - FNFR Deborah Amanuel­­­­ - 1:53 PM­

A: ­The competition budget is $144,000,000 over six years. On average 6 will be awarded if they request $24 million each. For more stats, please refer to our dashboard on our website or please email us.­‑

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‑­AT­ (­aarati.taksal.comtl@ssss.gouv.qc.ca­)­ - 1:49 PM­

Q: ­Q:how many from LOI will make it to full appln stage and finally how many projects will get funded?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Diego Herrera­ (­diego.herrera@muhc.mcgill.ca­)­ - 1:48 PM­

Q: ­Is there any particular difference in the EDI in research teams and research design requirements compared to other NFRF or tri-agency competitions? ­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­David Cuff­ (­dcuff@yorku.ca­)­ - 1:48 PM­

Q: ­You mentioned earlier that external reviewers only read the full application, not the LOI. Can you elaborate on how the LOI will be reviewed? ­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:51 PM­

A: ­They are reviewed by a multidisciplinary/multisectoral panel. We refer to Expert Reviewers as External Reviewers, so there may have been a misunderstanding in terminology earlier. Please refer to our webiste for the details: https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/transformation/2026/reviewers\_manual-guide\_de\_l\_evaluateur-eng.aspx­‑

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‑­nan zhou­ (­nzhou@wlu.ca­)­ - 1:49 PM­

Q: ­Hello, will at least one project led from the SSHRC side be funded?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­John Robertson­ (­jroberts@uhnresearch.ca­)­ - 1:49 PM­

Q: ­Many participants wear multiple hats, e.g. practitioner, independent researcher, decision-maker, eduator. When they choose a role in Convergence, how is that information used? Are there any issues if they choose roles that conflict with the affiliation they identified as their primary? (e.g., a clinician who is also a professor/researcher at the university, chooses the university department as their affiliation in their Convergence profile, but then chooses practitioner as their role).­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Katie Koralesky­ (­katie.koralesky@ubc.ca­)­ - 1:49 PM­

Q: ­Do you have specific criteria for HQPs: e.g., what criteria is used to determine someone who is at a postdoc vs. research associate level?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Stefanie ­ (­roders@mcmaster.ca­)­ - 1:49 PM­

Q: ­Can an adjunct professor be a NPI?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:49 PM­

A: ­This question has been answered verbally.­‑

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‑­John Robertson­ (­jroberts@uhnresearch.ca­)­ - 1:49 PM­

Q: ­(cont'd -- i.e., is the role evaluated by reviewers or just for stats?)­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Farrell Leibovitch­ (­farrell.leibovitch@sunnybrook.ca­)­ - 1:49 PM­

Q: ­In looking at the dashboard mentioned in the chat, it seems to only show the number of applications that were funded in previous competitions, but not how many were submitted at any stage - should that data be available there for previous competitions? Or can it be accessed to sent separately by email?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:50 PM­

A: ­If you cannot find the stats you are looking for, please email us and we will share with you the information we are allowed to share. NFRF-FNFR@chairs-chaires.gc.ca­‑

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‑­Tara­ (­tcallagh@stfx.ca­)­ - 1:49 PM­

Q: ­Although EDI-RP has been discussed I am still unclear after reading best practices as to whether it would be allowed to identify that a team member has lived experience, or a number of team members have this experieince. Is this possible without providing the name of the individual?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Gurneet Singh­ (­gsingh44@yorku.ca­)­ - 1:50 PM­

Q: ­I apologize for having you repeat this, but a NPI can have projects with other grants, but only one with the Transformational stream, correct? ­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:52 PM­

A: ­an NPI can only hold 1 Transformation grant. However, they can also be an NPI for other programs. ­‑

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‑­AT­ (­aarati.taksal.comtl@ssss.gouv.qc.ca­)­ - 1:52 PM­

Q: ­indirect costs are only for receiving institution or for each organisation in the team?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Kevin Hamilton­ (­kevin.hamilton@utoronto.ca­)­ - 1:50 PM­

Q: ­Test LoI - so, we needed to have created a ZZZ NoI, whihc we then submit, in order to have a test LoI?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:52 PM­

A: ­correct­‑

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‑­Sheila O'Keefe-McCarthy­ (­sokeefemccarthy@brocku.ca­)­ - 1:51 PM­

Q: ­for the LOI budget, how comprehesive does each year need to be.. doe it open up for detailed categoreos at this stage?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:55 PM­

A: ­the budget justification will be at the full application stage. For the LOI you do not have to be overly comprehensive with details.­‑

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‑­Maya Chaddah­ (­mayachaddah@xplornet.ca­)­ - 1:51 PM­

Q: ­Your answer about indirect costs is a little confusing to me. You said that indirect costs are for activities performed during the grant, but aren't those direct costs? Aren't the indirect costs for costs not specifically related to the direct costs of research, for example overhead etc for the institute?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:53 PM­

A: ­I would encourage you to maybe send us an email about this. this way we can ensure we answer you properly. ­‑

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‑­Mirela Cherciov­ (­mirelach@glendon.yorku.ca­)­ - 1:52 PM­

Q: ­What is the success rate from Full Application to awarded projects ? ­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:54 PM­

A: ­We fund 6 grants, sometimes more depending on the budget. ­‑

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‑­Anna Zalik­ (­azalik@yorku.ca­)­ - 1:52 PM­

Q: ­But just to ensure, a co-applicant or co PI on an existing NFRF could participate as a co-applicant this year, is that correct?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:54 PM­

A: ­Yes that is correct! note that they can only be on 1 application as a co-pi. but no limit as co-applicant.­‑

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‑­AT­ (­aarati.taksal.comtl@ssss.gouv.qc.ca­)­ - 1:54 PM­

Q: ­do you need a narrartive cv? and do you have a budget template?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:54 PM­

A: ­No narrative CV, although a biographical information section is required (see point B). Yes there's a budget template.­‑

‑­NFRF - Sinisa­­­­ - 1:54 PM­

A: ­https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/transformation/2026/guide\_application-guide\_demande-eng.aspx­‑

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‑­Michael Karanicolas­ (­karanicolas@dal.ca­)­ - 1:52 PM­

Q: ­I know there have been questions about internationals that you already answered - but can i ask, specifically, if it's alright to have an international as one of our co-PIs?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 1:53 PM­

A: ­Yes, most teams have co-pis that are from outside of canada.­‑

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‑­Farrell Leibovitch­ (­farrell.leibovitch@sunnybrook.ca­)­ - 1:53 PM­

Q: ­Thank you!­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­hpl­ (­louis.patrick.haraoui@usherbrooke.ca­)­ - 1:54 PM­

Q: ­Is there a minimum number of ECRs? Can ECRs hold any specific role (co-PI vs co-applicants vs collaborator)?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - FNFR Deborah Amanuel­­­­ - 1:54 PM­

A: ­This question has been answered verbally.­‑

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‑­Vera Kettnaker­ (­vmk@queensu.ca­)­ - 1:55 PM­

Q: ­Can the ECR section mention the ECR roles in the project (e.g., co-PI) or specific expertise they bring to the project as long as their names are not mentioned? Should the ECR plan include ECR collaborators or only ECRs who are NPI, co-PI or co-applicants?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Katie Koralesky­ (­katie.koralesky@ubc.ca­)­ - 1:55 PM­

Q: ­Thank you!­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Win L­ (­winnie.low@ucalgary.ca­)­ - 1:55 PM­

Q: ­Can we know how many NOIs were submitted for this competition?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Natasha Christie-Holmes­ (­natasha.christie@utoronto.ca­)­ - 1:55 PM­

Q: ­Thank you so much!­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­ChungHyuk Lee­ (­chunghyuk.lee@torontomu.ca­)­ - 1:55 PM­

Q: ­When you say "outside of Canada", just to make sure, you mean independent researchers from institutions outside of Canada?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Katie Koralesky­ (­katie.koralesky@ubc.ca­)­ - 1:56 PM­

Q: ­Do you have specific criteria for HQPs: e.g., what criteria is used to determine someone who is at a postdoc vs. research associate level?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Sheila O'Keefe-McCarthy­ (­sokeefemccarthy@brocku.ca­)­ - 1:56 PM­

Q: ­do we need to determine all our ECR at teh LOI stage­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­Alice Glaze - NFRF/FNFR­­­­ - 2:00 PM­

A: ­This question has been answered verbally.­‑

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‑­Michelle Adams­ (­adamsm@dal.ca­)­ - 1:56 PM­

Q: ­Do we need to include details about how the project will be administered internal to an institutions (what units will be involved, etc.?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Omer Gulder UTIAS­ (­ogulder@utias.utoronto.ca­)­ - 1:56 PM­

Q: ­Any major disadvantage having researchers falling under two Granting agencies rather than three?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - FNFR Deborah Amanuel­­­­ - 1:56 PM­

A: ­There isn't a disadvantage put the preference is all three.­‑

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‑­Sibat Anam­ (­sibat@torontomu.ca­)­ - 1:56 PM­

Q: ­/­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Novog - McMaster­ (­novog@mcmaster.ca­)­ - 1:57 PM­

Q: ­Sorry I had a questions without an answer (unless I missed it).­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Novog - McMaster­ (­novog@mcmaster.ca­)­ - 1:57 PM­

Q: ­oops, just got answered.­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Maya Chaddah­ (­mayachaddah@xplornet.ca­)­ - 1:57 PM­

Q: ­Thank-you very much for holding this webinar. It's been very helpful.­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Tara­ (­tcallagh@stfx.ca­)­ - 1:58 PM­

Q: ­thank you!­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

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‑­Ian Stewart­ (­ian.stewart@ukings.ca­)­ - 1:57 PM­

Q: ­Deborah what I meant was our NPI's RGO will need the Indirect Costs in order to support the awarded project. So they will not be able to say they can support it 'as is'. Larger institutions may be able to do this without IC. Does this favour those larger institutions?­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - FNFR Deborah Amanuel­­­­ - 1:59 PM­

A: ­Please send us an email and we can look into it further.­‑

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‑­Sibat Anam­ (­NFRF-FNFR@chairs-chaires.gc.ca­)­ - 2:02 PM­

Q: ­Yes­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 2:02 PM­

A: ­This question has been answered verbally.­‑

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‑­Felipe Scarpetta­ (­NFRF-FNFR@chairs-chaires.gc.ca­)­ - 2:02 PM­

Q: ­yes i can hear­

Priority: ­N/A­‑

‑­NFRF - Melanie­­­­ - 2:02 PM­

A: ­This question has been answered verbally.­‑