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**UNIVERSITY OF IBADAN RESEARCH FOUNDATION (UI-RESEARCH FOUNDATION) &  
 RESEARCH MANAGEMENT OFFICE (RMO)  
 CALL FOR PROPOSALS/ APPLICATIONS FOR YEAR 2015**

**TETFUND NATIONAL RESEARCH FUND**

The University of Ibadan invites members of its Faculties and Research Teams to submit concept papers and innovative proposals for Tetfund National Research Fund.

The National Research Fund was established pursuant to the Tertiary Education Trust Fund Act 2011 for resuscitation of research activities in Nigeria’s Public Tertiary Institutions which Section 20 of the Act defines as Public **“Universities, Polytechnics and Colleges of Education.”** It is also aimed at addressing the critical needs of the Country’s developmental aspirations.

**ELIGIBILITY**

Every lecturer in Public Tertiary Institutions in Nigeria are eligible. Multi-Disciplinary Researchers comprising of Researchers from various disciplines are allowed. The Lead Researcher will head the research team and will be referred to as the Principal Investigator (PI). The PI will be personally responsible and held accountable for the conduct of the research. An added requirement is that the PI must be institution-based.

**AREAS OF RESEARCH**

a. The categories and specialized subject areas for funding are as follows:

	<b>CATEGORY</b>	<b>THEMATIC AREA</b>
A.	<b>Science, Technology and Innovation</b>	<b>1.Agriculture, Food Security and Food Technology/ Processing</b> <b>2.Health and Social Welfare</b> <b>3.Transport</b> <b>4.Energy and Power</b> <b>5.ICT &amp; Telecommunications</b>

		<b>6.Engineering: Construction and Building Technology</b> <b>7.Space Science</b>
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<b>B.</b>	<b>Humanities and Social Science</b>	<b>1.National Integration, National Security and Peace Studies</b> <b>2.Education and Training</b> <b>3.Economic Development and Tourism</b> <b>4.Social Welfare</b> <b>5.Population Studies</b> <b>6.Tourism</b>
<b>C.</b>	<b>Cross Cutting Themes</b>	<b>1.Entrepreneurship &amp; Wealth Creation</b> <b>2.Environment, Housing &amp; Urban Development</b> <b>3.Climate Change</b> <b>4.Resource Governance</b> <b>5.Science and Technology Management</b> <b>6.Sports and Recreation Development</b>

**Individuals and research teams at the University of Ibadan are invited to submit proposal in order to participate in the initiative. Application forms should be downloaded from the Tetfund website: [www.tetfund.gov.ng](http://www.tetfund.gov.ng)**

The filled application forms and Letter of Intent/Concept Papers (maximum 3 pages) describing objectives and plans of the proposed projects should be submitted to UI-Research Foundation Office Rooms 2 & 3 ground floor Institute of African Studies, e-mail: [sec\\_uirfoundation@ui.edu.ng](mailto:sec_uirfoundation@ui.edu.ng) or Research Management Office, e-mail: [rmo-office@mail.ui.edu.ng](mailto:rmo-office@mail.ui.edu.ng) by 10 March, 2015. Concept Papers should include Objectives; Short Rationale; list of Lead Researchers and Unique Innovation that will make the proposal competitive should be highlighted.

The proposal will be peer-reviewed and selected by panel constituted by the University of Ibadan for final submission to Tetfund.

#### **NOMINATION / APPLICATION PROCEDURE FOR SUBMISSION TO TETFUND**

- (i)** All applications are to be made strictly on the prescribed standardized format/template. This can be downloaded from the TETFund Website: [www.tetfund.gov.ng](http://www.tetfund.gov.ng);
- (ii)** Any proposal that does not follow the prescribed format shall not be considered;
- (iii)** Only one application may be submitted according to the prescribed format;
- (iv)** 5 hard copies of the proposals shall be submitted by the Researchers through the Head of the Institution who shall forward them with a covering letter duly signed by him to the address below:

**The Executive Secretary  
Tertiary Education Trust Fund (TETFund)  
6 Zambezi Crescent  
Off Aguiyi Ironsi Crescent  
Maitama  
Abuja**

At the left hand corner of the envelope containing the proposal should be written the words “2015 National Research Fund/the category of the Research e.g. Humanities or Social Sciences”

- (v)** In addition to the above, soft copies of the research proposals shall also be submitted by the Researcher to the e-mail address below:

ifiokukimo@gmail.com.

and copy the e-mail addresses below:

abiodunmisbau@yahoo.com

davidjosiah.e@gmail.com

#### **SELECTION/ CONSIDERATIONS**

- i. The Principal Investigator of the adjudged fundable proposal shall be invited to defend their proposals before the National Research Fund Screening and Monitoring Committee (NRFS&MC) before a letter of award is issued by TETFund, if successful;
- ii. All submitted proposals will be subject to appraisal by the National Research Fund Screening and Monitoring Committee (NRFS&MC) who shall make appropriate recommendations to the Board of Trustees of the Fund for consideration and approval;
- iii. The Total Budget for each research shall not be above N50 million; and
- iv. All other requirements including a work plan are as indicated in the guidelines

#### **DEADLINE FOR THE SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS TO TETFUND:**

Deadline for the submission of proposals shall be on or before Friday, 20 March, 2015.

Thank you.

**O. I. Olukoya, MNIM, FPA  
Registrar**