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**InterAct Open Funding Call**

**Closing date for applications: Friday 9 September 2022, 12.00 (midday)**

*Please complete the form using* ***minimum font size 11 Arial****. The completed form and short (2 page) CVs for applicants should be submitted in* ***pdf format*** *to this email address:* [***info@interact-hub.org***](mailto:info@interact-hub.org)***, with subject title “Open Funding Call Application 2022”.***

***Please ensure your name is included in the filename of documents submitted.***

**GUIDE TO THE APPLICATION FORM SECTIONS**

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| **CHECK LIST** |

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| **APPLICANT/S DETAILS** |
| * Project title, start date and duration * Applicant/s contact information * Collaborator/s contact information |

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| **SECTION 1: CONTRIBUTION (Maximum 1000 words)** |
| * State clearly the aim and objectives of the project, its level of ambition, the expected addition to knowledge and describe its fit to the aims of InterAct and the Made Smarter Innovation (MSI) Challenge. * Explain the need for the project and note why your approach is the most appropriate, and how it might be scalable. * Describe the problem that is to be investigated, with reference to the literature. |

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| **SECTION 2: RIGOUR (Maximum 1000 words)** |
| * Describe and justify the research approach/method to be taken, making clear links to which team members will be responsible for delivery. * Explain how the project engages with the idea of interdisciplinary enquiry. * State the proposed outputs and outcomes from the project, with reference to destination journals, conferences and industry groups. |

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| **SECTION 3: MANAGEMENT (Maximum 1000 words plus Gantt chart/timetable)** |
| * Justify why this team is the most appropriate to deliver the project, with reference to their track record/s, and Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (ED&I). * Explain (with a timetable and work package/task structure) how you will ensure you deliver the project on time, including sufficient engagement and networking as part of the programme. * Provide an account of the key risks and how you will manage these (include any risks in respect of ethics, data management, and staffing). |

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| **SECTION 4: VALUE FOR MONEY (Maximum 1000 words)** |
| * Provide a clear justification for all resources requested. * Explain why your request is appropriate, given your project scope, ambition etc. * State how you will contribute to InterAct, making reference to your long-term plans for follow-on funding and collaboration. |

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| **SECTION 5: IMPACT (Maximum 1000 words)** |
| * Describe the long-term effect that you expect your project to have on the InterAct agenda, and how you would expect this impact to be measured or recognised. * Set out your pathway/s to impact, including your target audience/s and beneficiaries, how you will reach them, and what change you expect to see. * Describe the potential to increase cross sector collaboration between types of academic disciplines; businesses and academics, different businesses, within the UK manufacturing sectors. |

**APPLICATION FORM**

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| **CHECKLIST** | |
| **Proposal is led by a University/Research Organisation** |  |
| **Project team does not exceed 3 Co-Investigators** |  |
| **Project duration does not exceed 8 months** |  |
| **All staff requested for the project are named** |  |
| **Budget does not exceed £62,500 (£50, 000 funded at 80% of costs)** |  |

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| **APPLICANT/S DETAILS** | |
| **Title of the proposal**  **(Maximum 150 characters)** |  |
| **Expected start date** |  |
| **Expected duration** |  |

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| **Lead organisation name** |  | | | |
| **Address** |  | | | |
| **Principal Investigator** | **Title:** | **First name:** | | **Surname:** |
| **Lead researcher name (if not eligible to act as a PI)** | **Title:** | **First name:** | | **Surname:** |
| **Contact** | **Email:** | | **Telephone:** | |
| **Co-Investigator** | **Title:** | **First name:** | | **Surname:** |
| **Contact** | **Email:** | | **Telephone:** | |
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| **Collaborating organisation name** |  | | | |
| **Address** |  | | | |
| **Co-Investigator** | **Title:** | **First name:** | | **Surname:** |
| **Contact** | **Email:** | | **Telephone:** | |

**If there is more than one collaborating organisation, please copy and paste the box above, as appropriate.**

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| **SECTION 1: CONTRIBUTION**  *Maximum 1,000 words.* |
| Please insert your response here. |
| **SECTION 2: RIGOUR**  *Maximum 1,000 words.* |
| Please insert your response here. |
| **SECTION 3: MANAGEMENT**  *Maximum 1,000 words plus Gantt chart/timetable* |
| Please insert your response here. |
| **SECTION 4: VALUE FOR MONEY**  *Maximum 1,000 words* |
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|  | **Budget (100% FEC)** | **Funded Amount (80% of costs)** |
| **DIRECTLY INCURRED COSTS** | | |
| Staff | £ [insert amount] | £ [insert amount] |
| Consumables | £ [insert amount] | £ [insert amount] |
| Travel & Subsistence | £ [insert amount] | £ [insert amount] |
| Other DI | £ [insert amount] | £ [insert amount] |
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| **DIRECTLY ALLOCATED COSTS** | | |
| Investigators | £ [insert amount] | £ [insert amount] |
| Estates | £ [insert amount] | £ [insert amount] |
| Other DA | £ [insert amount] | £ [insert amount] |
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| **INDIRECT COSTS** | £ [insert amount] | £ [insert amount] |
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| **TOTAL** | **£ [insert amount]** | **£ [insert amount]** |

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| **SECTION 5: IMPACT**  *Maximum 1,000 words.* |
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**I would like to receive future communications from**

**the InterAct Network regarding news, events,**

**funding opportunities and research insights. (X in box)**

**Equality and diversity monitoring**

InterAct needs your help and co-operation to enable us to meet the commitments of our equality and diversity reporting requirements. The information provided will be kept confidential and will be used for monitoring purposes.

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| **Pronouns:** |  |

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| **Gender (Add X to the relevant box)** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Male** |  | **Female** | |  | **Non-binary** |  | **Intersex** |  | **Prefer not to say** |  |
| **Other (please specify)** | | |  | | | | | | | |

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| **Age (Add X to the relevant box)** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **16-24** |  | **25-29** |  | **30-34** |  | **35-39** |  | **40-44** |  | **45-49** |  |
| **50-54** |  | **55-59** |  | **60-64** |  | **65+** |  | **Prefer not to say** | | |  |

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| **Ethnicity** | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ethnic origin is not about nationality, place of birth or citizenship. It is about the group to which you perceive you belong. Please tick the appropriate box. | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Asian or British Asian** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Indian** |  | **Pakistani** | |  | **Bangladeshi** |  | **Chinese** |  | **Prefer not to say** |  |
| **Other (please specify)** | | |  | | | | | | | |

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| **Black, African, Caribbean, or Black British** | | | | | | | |
| **African** |  | **Caribbean** | |  | **Prefer not to say** |  |
| **Other (please specify)** | | |  | | | | |

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| **Mixed or multiple ethnicity** | | | | | | | |
| **White and Black Caribbean** | | |  | **White and Black African** |  | **White and Asian** |  |
| **Prefer not to say** |  |
| **Other (please specify)** |  | | | | | | |

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| **White** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **English** |  | **Welsh** | |  | **Scottish** | |  | | **Northern Irish** |  | **Irish** | | |  |
| **British** |  | **Gypsy or Irish Traveller** | | | |  | | **Prefer not to say** | | | |  |
| **Other (please specify)** | | |  | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| **Any other ethnicity** | |
| **Other (please specify)** |  |