Webinar: UK-Argentina Joint Call on AMR in the Environment

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Call overview

- UK-Argentina partnerships must be balanced in terms of staff effort
- Projects must be 34 months in duration
- Projects must start on 1\textsuperscript{st} August 2019
- UK: Around £4.5M available over full project length
  - Includes funding for salaries
- Argentina: ARS 2M available per year
  - Does not include salaries, which are paid independently
- Expect to support 5 or 6 projects
Global AMR Innovation Fund (GAMRIF)

Aim of the Fund
Coordinate and target investment globally in neglected and underinvested areas and to stimulate further investment in AMR R&D globally from governments, third sector and the private sector.

Seed fund research
- £50m Official Development Assistance (ODA) over 5 years
- Fund early stage research
- Fund research in neglected and underinvested areas
- Research primarily and directly for the benefit of people in LMICs
- One Health approach
- Engage industry for tangible outcomes

Leverage investment
- Leverage additional global funding
- Interact with
  - international public-private partnerships
  - international product development partnerships
  - global funding mechanisms/bodies
  - global fora (e.g. G7, G20)
- Support Global AMR R&D Hub
Funding

• UK funds UK researchers, Argentina funds Argentinian researchers **except**

• UK will also fund one exchange visit per year for Argentinian postdoctoral researchers to the UK (100% FEC)

• UK: Proposals must request £0.5M-£1.0M
  – All other costs at 80% FEC

• Argentina: Proposals may request up to ARS 400k/year, depending on number of senior researchers on proposal
  – 2: ARS 150k/year
  – 3: ARS 250k/year
  – 4 or more: ARS 400k/year
Call process

• A single joint application must be prepared by bilateral partnerships

• Applications must be made to CONICET, not BBSRC

• Successful UK applicants will be required to complete a Je-S form during April 2019 in order to receive funding
Eligibility

• Proposals must be led by an **eligible Principal Investigator** based in an eligible UK research institution and an **eligible Project Head** based in an Argentinian institution.

• UK applicants must be registered on Je-S before the call closes.

• Co-investigators in the UK may be based in usually ineligible public sector research establishments, **if they are registered on Je-S before the call closes**.

• Proposals may include **partners in other countries** but they are ineligible to receive funding.
Official Development Assistance (ODA)

- Proposals must meet ODA criteria
- Applicants must demonstrate that primary purpose of proposed research is to promote the economic development and welfare of people in low and middle income countries
- Argentina may no longer be eligible for ODA funds during the course of grants
- Proposals must therefore primarily benefit low and middle income countries more widely
- Potential ODA impact will be an important assessment consideration
- Successful proposals will be assessed annually for their ongoing compliance with ODA requirements, against the Pathways to Impact statement
Call scope

- Proposals must have clear potential for improving human health
- Focus on cattle (including dairy), pigs and poultry
  - Research to underpin surveillance and reporting
  - Animal husbandry and welfare practices to minimise AMR
  - Development of waste management strategies to minimise AMR
- Multi-disciplinary projects are encouraged
- BBSRC remit requirements do not apply
Exclusions

• Research on **vaccines** and **drug development**
• Research **focused** on **antimicrobial resistance other than antibacterial resistance**
• Research on **aquaculture**
• Surveillance **in itself**
• Studies primarily focused on **non-animal food systems**
Expected outputs

• Proposals **must** translate research into policy advice applicable to low and middle income countries

• Costs of translation must be ringfenced within proposal and not exceed 5% of total budget requested from BBSRC

• Methods of integrating research outputs from all successful proposals into policy are especially welcome
Applications will be rejected before peer review for proposals which:

- Request funding for ineligible individuals, organisations or categories of expenditure
- Do not clearly demonstrate ODA relevance
- Are outside the scope of the call

If in doubt, ask.
Partnerships

- Workshop held in September 2018
- UK attendees listed in workshop report
- Initial bilateral project ideas in report
- If appropriate, join existing partnership
- For further help to identify partners, CONICET and BBSRC will try to help
Questions?