

# Catalyzing Equitable Artificial Intelligence (AI) Use

## Frequently Asked Questions

### **Eligibility**

#### **Who is eligible for grants?**

This initiative is open to organizations based in low-and-middle-income countries (LMICs<sup>1</sup>), including nonprofit organizations, for-profit companies, international organizations, government agencies and academic institutions. Collaborations with global partners is acceptable, however, at least 80% of the funding needs to be awarded directly to organizations based in Low-and Middle-Income Countries. Individuals and organizations classified as individuals for U.S. tax purposes are not eligible to receive an award from the foundation as part of this initiative.

### **Application Process**

#### **What must my application include?**

Please refer to the Application Instructions document.

#### **Am I able to edit my proposal once submitted?**

Yes, you may edit your proposal up until the specified deadline.

#### **What amount of indirect cost is available?**

Details of the foundation indirect cost policy guidelines can be found here: [Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation's indirect cost policy](#)

### **Review Process**

#### **How does the review process work?**

Please refer to the Rules and Guidelines document

#### **Can I get a list of potential reviewers who might be assigned to my application?**

No. We do not make public the roster of reviewers.

#### **Can I request that my application not be reviewed by a specific individual?**

No. However, we will ask reviewers about conflicts of interest and will not assign reviewers with conflicts.

#### **Will I receive specific feedback on my application if it is not selected?**

Due to the rapid proposal and review timelines applicable to this challenge, applicants with proposals that are not selected for award may receive a notification of decline without specific feedback.

### **Award Information**

#### **Are grant awards made directly to individuals?**

No. All awards are made to the organization where the individual holds their primary appointment. Institutions must agree to the terms and conditions governing the grant award prior to award activation.

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<sup>1</sup> see [World Bank - Low Income Countries](#) for definitions.

**How much money will each grant provide?**

The funding level for the Catalyzing Equitable Artificial Intelligence (AI) Use RFP is **a grant of up to \$100,000 USD for each project**, including indirect costs permitted under our [Indirect Cost Policy](#), with a grant term of up to 3 months. Application budgets should be commensurate with the scope of work proposed.

**Technical Support****I forgot my password. How do I reset my password?**

You can request to update your password within the application site. If you continue to have issues, please reach out to [grandchallenges@gatesfoundation.org](mailto:grandchallenges@gatesfoundation.org).

**How will I know if my application was submitted?**

Once an application is submitted, you will receive an email confirmation.

**I'm having trouble uploading my application file. What should I do?**

If you are having issues submitting your application, we would encourage you to submit from a different browser. If the issue persists, please email the specifics of your problem to [grandchallenges@gatesfoundation.org](mailto:grandchallenges@gatesfoundation.org).

**How often do you intend to update the Frequently Asked Questions, and do you plan to provide answers to all questions submitted?**

We will periodically post answers to questions as they are submitted, but do not have a specific schedule. We will provide answers on this page that are of relevance and of general interest to potential applicants. For answers to specific questions that are not covered here, please email [grandchallenges@gatesfoundation.org](mailto:grandchallenges@gatesfoundation.org).