

Developing funding applications

- Research Career Why?
 - Research questions Set clear goals
 - Take time to develop your research idea

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- Funding scheme Which one?
 - Statutory and non-statutory funding organisations
 - Funding guidelines read, read, read and read!

Here for ... whoever you want to be

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- Funding application
 - Significance of the research
 - Questions that will be answered aims and attainable objectives
 - Will the funder be interested in the research questions?
 - Methodology can the problem be solved with the strategy and methods proposed?
 - Sales pitch unique skills of the project team to carry out the research



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- Funding application
 - Resources appropriately budgeted
 - Value for money intended outputs justify the costs
 - Impact clear pathway to impact with realisation activities
 - Visual presentation clear figures/images
 - Ask colleagues for critical reviews
 - Think like the reviewer



Resilience

Funding application review

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 Critical appraisal from peers – intellectual aims and skills to carry out the research clearly articulated

- Funding panel captivate with enthusiasm for the research to draw attention from equally scientifically valid proposals
- Don't take rejection personally, it's an opportunity to improve and try again.



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Thank you very much for listening and best wishes

Happy to answer questions

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