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Re: **Research and knowledge exchange funding for 2022-23**

Dear <Salutation>

I am writing to provide details of your provider's research and knowledge exchange grants and formula capital allocations for 2022-23.

This letter explains in broad terms the main changes to the Research England grant for research and knowledge exchange funding for 2022-23 compared to 2021-22. It is part of a suite of documents which set out information relating to your provider and to the sector more widely. A full list of these documents and tables is described in **Annex A**. We do not require a reply to this letter.

Funding budgets

The guidance letter to UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) from the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS)¹ confirmed the funding available for the 2022-23 financial year (April to March), and provisional funding for 2023-24 and 2024-25 financial years. The letter also identified the policies and priorities that should underpin our approach to funding.

In the light of that allocations letter and following discussion with and endorsement by the Research England Council, we have set budgets for Research England's funding streams for higher education providers for the academic years 2022-23 to 2023-24, and financial years 2022-23 to 2024-25. Capital funding is allocated by financial year (April to March) and all other formula-based funding is now allocated by academic year (August to July). Research England Circular letter 'Funding budgets for 2022-23 to 2024-25' (RE-CL-2022-04)² sets out our budgets for 2022-23.

As usual, any significant future changes to our funding by government could affect the funding we are able to distribute to providers in the 2022-23 academic year, and this may include revising allocations after they have been announced.

¹ See www.ukri.org/publications/guidance-from-beis-for-research-england-funding-allocations/

² See www.ukri.org/publications/research-england-funding-budgets-for-2022-to-2025/



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2022-23 Grant changes for providers

Providers may see grant changes as a result of the developments described above, and for a number of other reasons including:

- REF2021 results providing new quality profiles and category A staff numbers. The results, relative to the sector as a whole, affect providers' share of mainstream quality-related research (QR) funding together with its London weighting element and the QR RDP supervision funding allocations.
- Changes, relative to the sector as a whole, to providers' postgraduate research student numbers and research income data. Such changes affect providers' share of QR RDP supervision funding, QR charity support funding, and QR business research funding.
- Changes, relative to the sector as a whole, to providers' HE-BCI data, OfS Annual Financial Return data, and Knowledge Transfer Partnerships data, which affects their share of knowledge exchange funding.
- Changes to the number of providers being allocated grants from a funding stream.

We wish to provide as much support as we can for providers in understanding their funding outcomes and on the main factors that have led to funding changes. Providers should address any questions on this to annualfunding@re.ukri.org.

Terms and conditions of funding

The terms and conditions of funding set out the formal relationship between UKRI and the providers that it funds in relation to funds administered through Research England. The final terms and conditions applicable to funding administered by Research England for the 2022-23 academic year are published on our website³. The terms and conditions include those related to provision of data and compliance with governance and data assurance requirements.

Additional conditions for knowledge exchange funding

All providers in receipt of HEIF must pay regard to the HEIF policy & priorities publication⁴ and comply with guidance related to eligible uses of HEIF, accountability and monitoring arrangements (although note that new accountability statements are not required).

This document also applies to the HEIF business / commercialisation supplement that will be allocated in due course. We will ask for assurance that these funds are used entirely for, and additionally to use of HEIF for, business and commercialisation activity, with further details to be published in the autumn 2022 version of our booklet 'How we fund higher education providers'.

³ See www.ukri.org/publications/research-england-terms-and-conditions-2022-to-2023/

⁴ See www.ukri.org/publications/research-england-heif-policies-and-priorities/



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Further information and requests for changes

While we do not require a reply to this letter, there may be circumstances in which providers wish to request changes to allocations. We only expect to accept data amendments to correct errors that are widespread, substantial and have a material impact on Research England's use of the data. Providers that wish to request amendments should consult the technical guidance document that will be published shortly.

If you would like informal advice about the effects of any data changes or have any questions about your allocations, please contact annualfunding@re.ukri.org.

Yours sincerely

David Sweeney
Executive Chair



Annex A: Documents and tables related to the 2022-23 grant allocations

The following are, or will soon be available on the [Research England website](#):

Key documents	Expected timetable
Funding budgets for 2022-23 to 2024-25 (RE-CL-2022-04) Sets out our decisions on funding budgets for academic years 2022-23 to 2023-24, and financial years 2022-23 to 2024-25.	Available now: www.ukri.org/publications/research-england-funding-budgets-for-2022-to-2025/
Research England grant allocations for 2022-23 (RE-P-2022-05) Sets out our allocations to providers in 2022-23	Available now: www.ukri.org/publications/research-england-grant-allocations-2022-to-2023/
Payment information 2022-23 Includes payment profiles for grants to providers from August 2022 to July 2023	August 2022
2022-23 recurrent research and knowledge exchange grant tables for each provider. Shows the recurrent QR, HEIF and Museums, Galleries and Collections funding allocated for 2022-23, and a breakdown of the data used to calculate the funding.	September 2022
Technical guidance Explains in detail how the figures in the grant tables have been derived. The guidance is aimed primarily at finance and planning officers.	September 2022
Sector level grant tables and regional grant tables	September 2022
HEP allocations for Enhancing Research Culture funding	September 2022
HEP allocations for the new HEIF business / commercialisation supplement	Autumn 2022
How we fund higher education providers (revised version)	Autumn 2022

To access the above documents and further supporting information, see our [funding allocation pages for 2022-23](#).