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**ARTS / HUMANITIES / INTERNATIONAL**

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:

Collaborative Research Grants

FON:
20181205-RZ

AGENCY:
National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), Division of Research Programs

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to proposes diverse approaches to topics, incorporates multiple points of view, and explores new avenues of inquiry that lead to publications and other resources for humanities scholars, general audiences, or both.

ACTION:
Optional draft submissions are due October 15, 2018. Applications are due December 5, 2018. Collaborative Research offers three types of awards: Convening Grants – up to $50,000; Publication Grants – up to $250,000; and Archaeology Grants – up to $250,000 for projects lasting up to three years.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Division of Research Programs Team, 202-606-8200.
Email: collaborative@neh.gov (mailto:collaborative@neh.gov)
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
FY2018 Bureau of Democracy Human Rights and Labor Internet Freedom Annual Program Statement

FON:
SFOP0005428

AGENCY:
Department of State (State), Bureau of Democracy Human Rights and Labor (DRL)

ITEM:
Notice supporting statements of interest to support Internet Freedom, to protect the open, interoperable, secure, and reliable Internet by promoting fundamental freedoms, human rights, and the free flow of information online through integrated support to civil society for technology, digital safety, policy and advocacy, and applied research programs. Applicants must have existing, or the capacity to develop, active partnerships with thematic or in-country partners, entities, and relevant stakeholders including private sector partner and NGOs; and have demonstrable experience administering successful and preferably similar programs.

ACTION:
Applications are due February 8, 2019. Approximately $1.4 million is available to support multiple awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Program staff, Email: InternetFreedom@state.gov (mailto:InternetFreedom@state.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Scholarly Editions and Translations Grants

FON:
20181205-RQ

AGENCY:
National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), Division of Research Programs

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to support the preparation of editions and translations of pre-existing texts of value to the humanities that are currently inaccessible or available only in inadequate editions or transcriptions. Typically, the texts and documents are significant literary, philosophical, and historical materials; but other types of work, such as musical notation, are also eligible.

ACTION:
Optional draft applications are due October 15, 2018. Applications are due December 5, 2018.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Division of Research Programs Team, 202-606-8200. Email: editions@neh.gov (mailto:editions@neh.gov)
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
U.S. Embassy Buenos Aires PAS Annual Program Statement

FON:
PAS-AR200-FY19-01

AGENCY:
Department of State (State), U.S. Mission to Argentina

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to offer a wide range of programming and services (Workforce development, entrepreneurship training, Women's empowerment, English language teaching and learning, democracy, etc.) to emerging voices, including civil society leaders, youth (ages 13-25), business leaders and/or residents of Argentine provinces outside of the city of Buenos Aires.

ACTION:
Applications are due December 21, 2018. Approximately $100,000 is available for one award to support a project lasting up to two years.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Cultural Affairs Officer, Email: US-ArgentinaGrants@state.gov (mailto:US-ArgentinaGrants@state.gov)

EDUCATION / ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
2019 Preservation Technology and Training Grants

FON:
P19AS00001

AGENCY:
Department of the Interior (Interior), National Park Service (NPS)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to create better tools, better materials, and better approaches to conserving buildings, landscapes, sites, and collections.

ACTION:
Applications are due January 3, 2019. An estimated range of $5,000.00 To $30,000.00 of funding is anticipated for each award.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Todd Wilson, 303-358-8403. Email: todd_wilson@nps.gov (mailto:todd_wilson@nps.gov)

MEETING:
Defense Advisory Committee on Investigation, Prosecution, and Defense of Sexual Assault in the Armed Forces; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting
AGENCY:
Department of Defense (Defense)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the General Counsel of the Department of Defense to discuss the investigation, prosecution, and defense of allegations of rape, forcible sodomy, sexual assault, and other sexual misconduct involving members of the Armed Forces.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held October 19, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET at One Liberty Center, 875 N Randolph Street, Suite 1432, Arlington, VA.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Dwight Sullivan, 703-695-1055. Email: dwight.h.sullivan.civ@mail.mil (mailto:dwight.h.sullivan.civ@mail.mil)

MEETING:
Notice of 194th Meeting of the Advisory Council on Employee Welfare and Pension Benefit Plans

AGENCY:
Department of Labor (Labor), Employee Benefits Security Administration

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the Advisory Council on Employee Welfare and Pension Benefit Plans to finalize the recommendations the committee will present to the Secretary of Labor and receive an update from leadership of the Employee Benefits Security Administration and present their recommendations. Focus areas include: Evaluating the Department's Regulations and Guidance on Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) Bonding Requirements and Exploring Reform Considerations; and Lifetime Income Products as a Qualified Default Investment Alternative Focus on Decumulation and Rollovers.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held at the U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20210 on November 5, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET and on November 6, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. ET. Organizations or members of the public wishing to submit a written statement may do so by submitting 30 copies on or before October 29, 2018.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Larry Good, Email: good.larry@dol.gov (mailto:good.larry@dol.gov)

HEALTH

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Clinical Trial Readiness for Rare Diseases, Disorders, and Syndromes (R03 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

FON: PAR-18-952

AGENCY: National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences (NCATS); National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD)

ITEM: Notice supporting small grant applications for clinical projects that address critical needs for clinical trial readiness in rare diseases. The initiative seeks applications that are intended to facilitate rare disease research by enabling efficient and effective movement of candidate therapeutics or diagnostics towards clinical trials, and to increase their likelihood of success through development and testing of rigorous biomarkers and clinical outcome assessment measures, or by defining the presentation and course of a rare disease to enable the design of upcoming clinical trials.

ACTION: Optional letters of intent are due 30 days prior to the chosen due date. Applications are due January 7, 2019, June 10, 2019, October 24, 2019, June 8, 2020, October 26, 2020, June 7, 2021, and October 25, 2021.


CONTACT: Carol Lambert, 301-435-0814. Email: lambert@mail.nih.gov (mailto:lambert@mail.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY: Clinical Trial Readiness for Rare Diseases, Disorders, and Syndromes (R21 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

FON: PAR-18-953

AGENCY: National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences (NCATS); National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD)

ITEM: Notice supporting exploratory research applications on clinical projects that address critical needs for clinical trial readiness in rare diseases that are intended to facilitate rare disease research by enabling efficient and effective movement of candidate therapeutics or diagnostics towards clinical trials, and to increase their likelihood of success through development and testing of rigorous biomarkers and clinical outcome assessment measures, or by defining the presentation and course of a rare disease to enable the design of upcoming clinical trials.

ACTION: Optional letters of intent are due 30 days before the chosen due date. Applications are due January 7, 2019, June 10, 2019, October 24, 2019, June 8, 2020, October 26, 2020, June 7, 2021, and October 25, 2021. Approximately $275,000 per award is available to support multiple awards.
LINKS:

CONTACT:
Carol Lambert, 301-435-0814. Email: lambert@mail.nih.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Fc-Dependent Mechanisms of Antibody-Mediated Killing (R21 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

FON:
PA-19-020

AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to address knowledge gaps in mechanisms of Fc-dependent, antibody-mediated killing of infected cells or aberrant cells, or antibody-mediated therapeutic ablation of cells implicated in immune pathologies, including autoimmune and allergic diseases.

ACTION:
Applications are due annually on February 16, June 16 and October 16 through January 08, 2022. The number of awards is contingent upon NIH appropriations. The combined budget for direct costs for the two-year project period may not exceed $275,000.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Stacy Ferguson, 240-627-3504. Email: fergusonst@mail.nih.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Fc-Dependent Mechanisms of Antibody-Mediated Killing (U01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

FON:
RFA-AI-18-042

AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to conduct research focused on elucidating mechanisms of Fc-dependent, antibody-mediated killing of infected or aberrant cells, or antibody-mediated therapeutic ablation of cells implicated in immune pathologies, including autoimmune and allergic diseases.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due January 2, 2019. Applications are due February 1, 2019. Approximately $2 million is available to support three to five awards in FY 2020.
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Mechanisms of Disparities in Etiology and Outcomes of Lung Cancer in the U.S.: The Role of Risk and Protective Factors (R01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

FON:
PAR-19-018

AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities (NIMHD); National Cancer Institute (NCI)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to support multidisciplinary research to understand the underlying causal factors and mechanisms that result in lung cancer disparities in U.S. health disparity populations.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due 30 days before application due date. Applications are due March 4, 2019, March 4, 2020, and March 4, 2021.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Rina Das, 301-496-3996. Email: dasr2@mail.nih.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Mechanisms of Disparities in Etiology and Outcomes of Lung Cancer in the U.S.: The Role of Risk and Protective Factors (R21 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

FON:
PAR-19-019

AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities (NIMHD); National Cancer Institute (NCI)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to support exploratory and developmental multidisciplinary research to understand the underlying causal factors and mechanisms that result in lung cancer disparities in U.S. health disparity populations.

ACTION:
Requested letters of intent are due 30 days prior to the application due date. Applications are due March 4, 2019, March 4, 2020, and March 4, 2021.
LINKS:  

CONTACT:  
Rina Das, 301-496-3996. Email: dasr2@mail.nih.gov (mailto:dasr2@mail.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:  
National Dental Practice-Based Research Network: Clinical Trial or Observational Study Planning and Implementation Cooperative Agreement (UG3 and UH3 Clinical Trial Optional)

FON:  
RFA-DE-19-006

AGENCY:  
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR)

ITEM:  
Notice seeking applications for clinical observational studies and clinical trials to be conducted in the Dental Practice-Based Research Network (DPBRN) through a milestone-driven UG3/UH3 cooperative agreement mechanism. Each UG3/UH3 award will support an individual project which will utilize the DPBRN infrastructure and resources for study planning and implementation.

ACTION:  
Optional letters of intent are due 30 days prior to submission. Applications are due February 11, 2019. Approximately $1.2 million is available to support up to three awards.

LINKS:  

CONTACT:  
Dena Fischer, 301-594-4876. Email: dentalPBRN@nih.gov (mailto:dentalPBRN@nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:  
Opportunities for Collaborative Research at the NIH Clinical Center (U01 Clinical Trial Optional)

FON:  
PAR-18-951

AGENCY:  
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

ITEM:  
Notice seeking applications to support collaborative translational research projects aligned with NIH efforts to enhance the translation of basic biological discoveries into clinical applications that improve health.

ACTION:  
Applications are due April 15, 2019, April 15, 2020, and April 15, 2021.
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Pre-application: Opportunities for Collaborative Research at the NIH Clinical Center (X02 Clinical Trial Optional)

FON:
PAR-18-950

AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

ITEM:
Notice seeking pre-applications to support collaborative translational research projects aligned with NIH efforts to enhance the translation of basic biological discoveries into clinical applications that improve health. The X02 pre-application is the recommended (not required) first step in the application process for the companion FOA. Potential applicants should read both FOAs.

ACTION:
Pre-applications are due December 11, 2018; December 11, 2019; and December 11, 2020. No awards will be made under this FOA.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Contacts vary by institute.

MEETING:
Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee (HICPAC)

AGENCY:
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

ITEM:

ACTION:
The meetings will be held November 15, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and November 16, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., ET. To join the teleconference, call: 800-857-9838 and enter passcode: 5325685. 100 teleconference lines are available.

MEETING:
Medicare Program; Town Hall Meeting on the FY 2020 Applications for New Medical Services and Technologies Add-On Payments

AGENCY:
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a Town Hall Meeting of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services to discuss fiscal year 2020 applications for add-on payments for new medical services and technologies under the hospital inpatient prospective payment system.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held December 4, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. ET at 7500 Security Boulevard (main auditorium), Baltimore, MD. The deadline to register to attend the Town Hall Meeting is 5:00 p.m. ET on November 26, 2018.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Michelle Joshua, 410-786-6050. Email: michelle.joshua@cms.hhs.gov (mailto:michelle.joshua@cms.hhs.gov) Michael Treitel, 410-786-4552. Email: michael.treitel@cms.hhs.gov (mailto:michael.treitel@cms.hhs.gov)

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Claire Hemingway, 703-292-7135. Email: chemingw@nsf.gov (mailto:chemingw@nsf.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
BAA - Advanced Technologies To Achieve Expeditionary Uninterrupted Mission Command Command, Power & Integration (CP&I) Directorate
FON:
W56KGU-17-R-MC17
AGENCY:
Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense)
ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to support research, development, design, and testing that directly supports advancement of battlefield technologies in the area of Expeditionary uninterrupted Mission Command. Funds support efforts to improve and enhance current and future expeditionary capabilities, flexibility, and responsiveness in line with strategic vision for enhancing soldier capabilities to operate in a symmetric and unsymmetrical environment. Topic areas include: Command Applications of Machine Learning; Command of Autonomous Teams; Rapid Decision Making for Tactical Mission Command; Predictive Visualizations for Rapid Decision Making; Emerging Mission Command; Infrastructure Technologies Enabling Mission Command; Logistics Application; and Adaptable, Resilient Command Posts.
ACTION:
Applications are accepted through August 28, 2022. Multiple awards are anticipated.
LINKS:
FBO (https://www.fbo.gov/?s=opportunity&mode=form&tab=core&id=a12981e7da81a11e8cdbe5708d983520&_cview=0)
CONTACT:
Sarah Nipwoda, 443-861-4676. Email: sarah.a.nipwoda.civ@mail.mil (mailto:sarah.a.nipwoda.civ@mail.mil)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Broad Agency Announcement: Armored Reconnaissance Vehicle (ARV)-Technology Demonstrator Design, Fabrication, Test & Demonstration
FON:
N00014-19-S-B002
AGENCY:
Navy (Navy), Department of Defense (Defense)
ITEM: Notice supporting proposals related to the design, fabrication, test, and demonstration of technology demonstrators for the Armored Reconnaissance Vehicle. Funds support efforts to scale advanced technology demonstrators and to provide blast/ballistic hulls, which will be used to demonstrate the state of the art and to assess the potential capability and performance of advanced technologies and future concepts.

ACTION: Proposals are due November 19, 2018. Multiple awards are anticipated.

LINKS: FBO (https://www.fbo.gov/?s=opportunity&mode=form&id=00b2642a6447bde78a33572a357a4f01&tab=core&_cview=0)

CONTACT: Justin Fraser, 703-696-2099. Email: justin.s.fraser@navy.mil

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY: Funding Opportunity for the Department of Transportation's Nationally Significant Federal Lands and Tribal Projects Program for Fiscal Year 2018

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)

ITEM: Notice seeking applications to construct, reconstruct, or rehabilitate transportation facilities within, adjacent to, or accessing Federal and Tribal lands to address significant challenges across the Nation for transportation facilities that serve Federal and Tribal lands.

ACTION: Initial applications are due December 17, 2018. Subsequent applications are accepted on a rolling basis and evaluated quarterly, until available funding has been exhausted and/or until the last business day of the next fiscal quarter. Institutional partnership with Lands Planning Program is required to meet eligibility.


CONTACT: Jeffrey Mann, 703-404-6230. Email: Jeffrey.Mann@dot.gov
Scott Johnson, 703-404-6231. Email: Scott.Johnson@dot.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY: Joint DMS NLM Initiative on Generalizable Data Science Methods for Biomedical Research

FON: 19-500

AGENCY: Directorate for Mathematical & Physical Sciences (MPS), National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Science Foundation (NSF)
ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals to support the development of innovative and transformative mathematical and statistical approaches to address important data-driven biomedical and health challenges.

ACTION:
Proposal window is from January 2, 2019 to January 16, 2019. Approximately $4 million is available to support 8 to 10 awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Nandini Kannan, 703-292-8104. Email: nakannan@nsf.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Progressive Damage Model Benchmarking for Ceramic Matrix Composite Components in Turbine Engine Applications

FON:
FA8650-19-S-5001

AGENCY:
Department of Defense (Defense)

ITEM:
Notice supporting applications for effort to develop and transition technology for the certification of life critical turbine engine components utilizing advanced high temperature ceramic matrix composite (CMC) materials. Funds support efforts to benchmark current capability of progressive damage models for damage tolerance assessment of CMC turbine engine components.

ACTION:
Requested intent to propose are due October 18, 2018. Applications are due November 12, 2018. Approximately $4.2 million is available to support one award.

LINKS:
FBO (https://www.fbo.gov/?s=opportunity&mode=form&id=d34f6b9e8662356134ea67da8418182d&tab=core&_cview=0)

CONTACT:
Craig Przybyla, 937-255-9396. Email: craig.przybyla@us.af.mil

MEETING:
Advisory Committee for International Science and Engineering; Notice of Meeting

AGENCY:
National Science Foundation (NSF)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the Advisory Committee for International Science and Engineering to provide advice, recommendations and counsel on major goals and policies pertaining to international programs and activities. Agenda items include: Updates on the Office of International Science and
Engineering (OISE) activities; Discussion on International Strategic Plan Working Group; Updates on MULTIplying Impact Leveraging International Expertise in Research (MULTIPLIER); Updates on International Research Experiences for Students (IRES) Evaluation; Discussion on International Strategic Plan; and Meet with NSF leadership.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held January 24, 2019; 9:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. ET and January 25, 2019; 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. ET at the National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Simona Gilbert, 703-292-8710.

MEETING:
Notice of Workshop on the Convergence of High Performance Computing, Big Data, and Machine Learning

AGENCY:
National Science Foundation (NSF)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a workshop to discuss cases and applications from a variety of domains; current activities to address the convergence challenge and the research and technologies that are still needed; strategies for combining agency software and hardware ecosystems; strategies for combining the “people culture” of high performance computing, big data, and machine learning; and different modes of operation.

ACTION:
The workshop will be held October 29, 2018 from 8:15 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET and October 30, 2018 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. ET at the Natcher Conference Center, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD. Participation is by invitation only, but observers are welcome on a first come first served basis and webcasting is available: https://www.nitrd.gov/nitrdgroups/index.php?title=HPC-BD-Convergence

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Wendy Wigen, 202-459-9683.
Email: hpc-bd-convergence@nitrd.gov (mailto:hpc-bd-convergence@nitrd.gov)

NOTICE:
Rapid Research and Development for Warfighter Needs

FON:
RFI-AFRL-RQKMS-2019-002

AGENCY:
Department of Defense (Defense)
ITEM:
Notice seeking information leading to the development of rapid research and development for warfighter needs, using near term technology, advanced materials and processes to produce prototypes and field systems with enhanced capabilities. Focus areas include: personnel equipment, electronics, materials, and structures.

ACTION:
Responses are due by November 1, 2018.

LINKS:
FBO (https://www.fbo.gov/?s=opportunity&mode=form&id=2eff0935eb2ed8c407e485a655312c58&tab=core&_cview=0)

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