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RESEARCH AND KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE FUNDING

**FULL PROJECT PROPOSAL: Stage 2 of 2**

**For Contracts £50,000 and over**

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| Please indicate the AHDB Sector(s) this application is intended for | | | |
| **Beef & Lamb** | **Cereals & Oilseeds** | **Dairy** | **Pork** |
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Further details to help complete this application can be found in the associated **Guidance Notes**

## SECTION 1: PROJECT OVERVIEW

### Project title

**Full title**: …

**Short title** *(levy payer friendly)*: …

### Title of the call under which the proposal is submitted *(only where relevant)*

**…**

### Short project abstract *(Maximum 250 words)*

**…**

### 1.4 Proposed start and end date

Start date (dd/mm/yy) End date (dd/mm/yy) Duration (months)

… … …

### 1.5 Applicant organisation

…

### 1.6 Collaborating organisation(s)

…

### 1.7 Total cash funding requested from AHDB 1.8 Total project cost including co-funding

### *(Including VAT) (Including VAT)*

**£… £ …**

**1.8 AHDB funding breakdown**

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| **AHDB Sector** | **Cash £** | **VAT £** | **In-kind £** | **Confirmed**  **Y/N** | **Decision date**  *If not yet confirmed* |
| Beef & Lamb |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cereals & Oilseeds |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dairy |  |  |  |  |  |
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**1.9 Co-funding**

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| **Organisation** | **Cash £** | **In-kind £** | **Confirmed**  **Y/N** | **Decision date**  *If not yet confirmed* |
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## SECTION 2: PROJECT OUTCOMES

2.1 Who are the target beneficiaries of the project? *Tick all that apply*

Farmer/Producer  Agronomist  Consultant  Processor  Breeder  Vet

Manufacturer  Haulier  Regulator  Food Business Operator  Auction Market

Commercial Company  Consumer  Scientist  Other *(please state)*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2.2 How knowledge exchange integrates into achieving industry relevant outcomes *Specify any AHDB in-kind*

2.2.1 What approach will be used to ensure project outcomes translate to changes in practice?

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2.2.2 What engagement with industry will be conducted during the project?

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2.2.3 How will industry intelligence feed into shaping progress and delivery?

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**2.3 What is the likely timeframe to deliver impact for the industry?**

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2.4 Will further activities/resource be required before the outcomes/impact can be realised?

…

2.5 What environmental benefits are associated with the project outcomes? *Tick all that apply*

Improve production efficiency  Reduce pesticides  Reduce GHG emissions  Reduce waste

Reduce pollution  Reduce resource use  Increase biodiversity  Improve soil health

No environmental benefits  Other *(please state)*

**2.6 Please state any potential negative impacts on the environment**

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2.7 How will success be measured e.g. KPI’s?

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2.8 Exploitable intellectual property (IP)

#### 2.8.1 What commercially exploitable IP will this project generate?

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#### 2.8.2 How will IP exploitation be achieved?

…

## SECTION 3: TECHNICAL APPROACH AND WORK PLAN

3.1 Concise summary of knowledge relevant to the proposal – cite references where available

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3.2 Aims and Objectives

#### 3.2.1 Provide a clear statement of the aim of the project

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#### 3.2.2 State the core project objectives - number each objective separately

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3.3 Work package details linked to core objectives outlined in 3.2.2

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3.4 Has a similar proposal been, or about to be, submitted elsewhere, if so, provide details

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3.5 Are any other research groups in the UK or abroad currently working in the area, if so how will you interact with them?

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3.6 Will there be collaboration with commercial companies, if so how will this be managed?

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3.7 Has a statistician been consulted about the proposed project? *Provide details*

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#### 3.8 Identify any risks and actions that may prevent or delay achievement of the project outputs

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**3.9 What data management processes and/or accreditation is in place?**

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***If animals and or humans are to be used please provide details of ethics review and evidence of compliance with ASPA legislation***

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| **No.** | **Milestones** | **Organisation**  **Responsible** | **Start Date**  **(dd/mm/yy)** | **End Date**  **(dd/mm/yy)** |
| **1** | **Objective name** |  |  |  |
| 1.1 | Milestone short description |  |  |  |
| 1.2 | Etc. |  |  |  |
| 1.3 | Etc. |  |  |  |
| **2** | **Objective name** |  |  |  |
| 2.1 | Milestone short description |  |  |  |
| 2.2 | Etc. |  |  |  |
| 2.3 | Etc. |  |  |  |

**3.10 Milestone schedule – linked to core objectives outlined in 3.2.2** *Add extra lines as required*

SECTION 4: CONTACT DETAILS

4.1 Project applicant

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| **Lead contact name:** |  | | |
| Position held: |  | | |
| Email: |  | | |
| Office phone: |  | Mobile: |  |
| **Organisation name:** |  | | |
| Address: |  | | |
| Finance co-ordinator: |  | | |
| Email: |  | Phone: |  |
| Signee: |  | | |
| Email: |  | Phone: |  |

**4.1.1 What is the organisation’s contribution to the project?**

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**4.1.2 Justification of resources**

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| What staff will be employed on the project? | | |
| Grade/title | Time spent on project (in days if the project duration is less than a year and in years otherwise) | Funded by AHDB? |
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**4.1.3 Provide details of how any unexpected staff absences will be covered**

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**4.1.4 Provide details of any capital equipment requested**

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**4.1.5 Provide details of any costs claimed under “other costs”**

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**4.1.6 How are the requested overheads calculated and what do they cover?**

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4.2 Collaborator(s) (*Complete one sheet per collaborator*)

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| **Collaborator name:** |  | | |
| Position held: |  | | |
| Email: |  | | |
| Office phone: |  | Mobile: |  |
| **Organisation name:** |  | | |
| Address: |  | | |
| Finance co-ordinator: |  | | |
| Email: |  | Phone: |  |
| Signee: |  | | |
| Email: |  | Phone: |  |

**4.2.1 What is the organisation’s contribution to the project?**

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**4.2.2 Justification of resources**

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| What staff will be employed on the project? | | |
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4.3 Co-funder(s) (*Complete one sheet per co-funder*)

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| **Organisation name:** |  | | |
| Key contact: |  | | |
| Position held: |  | | |
| Email: |  | | |
| Address: |  | | |
| Office Phone: |  | Mobile: |  |

**4.3.1 Details of contribution (cash and in-kind)**

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4.4 Short CVs (*Maximum 1 page per CV*)

*Submit one CV for each partner in the project to demonstrate they have suitable skills to undertake the work.*

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| **Name:** |  |
| Organisation: |  |
| Present position: |  |
| Key areas of expertise: |  |
| Professional profile: |  |
| Key publications: |  |

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**SECTION 5: PROJECT COSTS**

*A separate sheet should be completed for each organisation requesting funding. Please include VAT where indicated, where sub-contracts are used these costs should always be inclusive of VAT.*

*Please ensure that at least 10% of the total funding amount is held for the final payment* (to be paid upon receipt of a final report of acceptable quality).

5.1 Applicant’s requested costs

**Costs for:** enter organisation name

Organisation’s project reference if applicable:



5.2 Collaborator’s requested costs

**Costs for:** enter organisation name



**5.3 TOTAL REQUESTED COSTS**



**SUBMISSION OF COMPLETED FORMS**

### Please email a completed copy to: [research@ahdb.org.uk](mailto:research@ahdb.org.uk)

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| Reference number:  Date submitted:  Assessor:  Sector assessing: |

**FULL PROJECT PROPOSAL ASSESSMENT FORM**

**For Contracts £50,000 and over**

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| **Project Title:** | | | |
| **Applicant:** | | | |
| **SECTION 1: PROJECT OVERVIEW (Not assessed)** | | | |
| **SECTION 2: PROJECT OUTCOMES**  Beneficiaries appropriately identified. Approach to deliver industry KE and links to existing AHDB KE activities. Appropriateness and clarity of industry engagement. Timeframe qualified to deliver impact. Clarification over additional activities/resource required to deliver impact. Environmental benefits appropriately identified and any negative impacts detailed. Key Performance Indicators identified. Clear IP exploitation plan where relevant. ***0-10*** ***score; weighting of 3*** | | | |
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|  | | | **Score: x3 =** |
| **SECTION 3: TECHNICAL APPROACH AND WORK PLAN**  Evaluation of current knowledge (appropriate references used) and awareness of other work. Clarity of aims, objectives, work packages and milestone schedule. Originality & innovation. Effective collaboration with commercial companies. Is the approach statistically robust? Feasibility and risk management. ***0-10*** ***score; weighting of 4*** | | | |
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| **SECTION 4: RELEVANT EXPERTISE**  Knowledge and expertise. Quality of past contributions to, and impact on, the topic. Potential to bring added value through current and/or past contributions. Complementarities of expertise of the team. ***0-10*** ***score; weighting of 1*** | | | |
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|  | | **Score: x1 =** | |
| **SECTION 5: PROJECT COSTS**  Are costs reasonable and necessary? Will the total budget be adequate to carry out the proposed activities? For a cross-Sector proposal, is the shared budget appropriate & clearly defined? Added value of co-funding? ***0-10*** ***score; weighting of 2*** | | | |
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|  | | **Score: x2 =** | |
| **Total Score**   **out of 100** *(Threshold = 50)* | **Recommend for Funding Yes / No** | | |

Weightings are set to reflect the importance of specific criteria, any proposal failing to achieve a specified threshold may be rejected. They have been set to ensure appropriate standards are met.

**AHDB R&KE Scoring Guidelines**

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| **9-10**  **Excellent** | Exceptional quality; cutting-edge; highly likely to produce benefits/impact of great importance to the industry; highly innovative; impactful KE activities proposed; applicant is widely recognized in the field with an outstanding record of accomplishment; consortium is strong across all technical areas needed to accomplish the proposed outcomes. **Strongly recommend support** |
| **7-8**  **Very good** | High quality; potential to make an important contribution; innovative; likely to produce significant benefits/ impact for the industry; impactful KE activities proposed; applicant has a good reputation in the field; consortium appears to have more than adequate expertise across all technical areas required to deliver the proposed outcomes. **Strongly recommend support** |
| **5-6**  **Good** | Interesting; innovative; likely to produce good benefits/impact; good grasp of appropriate KE activities; applicant has a solid reputation in the field; consortium appears to have adequate expertise across all technical areas required to deliver the proposed outcomes. **Should be supported** |
| **3-4**  **Fair** | Interesting but little originality; likelihood of making significant impact is small; may require significant additional investment to deliver benefits; applicant/team lacks experience, has not established leadership in the field or demonstrated the potential to make impactful contributions. **Support may be considered if strong in other areas** |
| **1-2**  **Poor** | Poor quality; not well planned; lacking expertise; not feasible; unlikely to make an important contribution to fundamental or applied knowledge; unlikely to produce benefits/impact; lacking convincing evidence that the proposing team has sufficient and appropriate expertise to accomplish all of the tasks as outlined in the proposal. **Should not be supported** |
| **0**  **Very poor** | Very poor quality; duplicative of other work; fails to address the issues; no evidence for demand; cannot be judged against the criterion due to missing or incomplete information. **Should not be supported** |