



## Water for Women WASH Research Awards – Addendum 1

**Q. Are there restrictions on funds allocated to Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) from Research Organisations (ROs)?**

The Fund is open to creative ways of ROs and CSOs working together. However, ROs are separate from CSO project responsibilities and the research grants should be focussed on research.

More detailed assessment can be made on a case by case basis, in particular when considering staff time/salary.

**Q. Can there be multiple country studies looking at the same research question?**

Yes.

**Q. Will there be brokering between funded CSOs and ROs?**

Yes. The Fund Coordinator can assist with this process.

**Q. Can a CSO apply for RO funding?**

Research must be a core component of the organisation's mandate so CSOs should be partnering with a research organisation.

**Q. Can ROs be incorporated into CSO Project Design Documents (PDDs)?**

Yes. It is envisaged that winning ROs will be announced during the Inception phase for the CSOs (Dec 2017 - June 2018), so there should be time to incorporate research proposals into PDDs developed from this.

**Q. Is there a specific percentage of the funding that will go to Type 1 versus Type 2 grants or specific geographic allocations?**

No. It will depend on the quality of proposals.

**Q. Is there a specific sectoral priority that will be worth more to focus on?**

No.

**Q. Section 3.2.1.b of Call for Proposals states the Wash Research Awards do not fund product development. Does this include innovative WASH technology?**

Product development as aligning to the Fund objectives is eligible for funding, however funding is not provided for large scale commercialisation of products. Support for the development of small private sector enterprises is acceptable.



**Q. Does the Principle Investigator need to be formally affiliated with the leading organisation?**

Yes, however does not need to be employed by them.

**Q. Are the projects to support existing CSO-led proposals? Or can they be for research-led proposals on which CSOs are invited to be involved?**

For this first round, ideally they would be relevant to CSO proposals that have been approved for inception grants. However, if there is a strong case for undertaking research with a CSO not in the Fund that is in alignment with Fund objectives, this would be considered.

The contract for the research component will be with the research institution who will lead on and be accountable for the research outcomes. It would be important to identify which CSOs are being invited and who is actually interested in working with you, including if multiple CSOs.

**Q. Could research be conducted in a country where there isn't a currently funded CSO?**

Yes, but also reference the question above for context.