

Terms of Reference: Thematic area 2 - Advancing a Just and Clean Energy Transition through Local Action

Sector: Clean energy

South Africa-UK PACT

Grant value:

Project budget can be up to £500,000 per project per financial year (Apr – Mar).

Project duration:

No more than 12 months. All projects are expected to start in October 2025, and can end no later than November 2026. The projects must have a clear indication of the outputs to be achieved within the 12-month delivery timeframe.

Deadline for submission of applications:

8th August 2025, 17:00 SAST / 15:00 UTC

Apply through Call for Proposals web page:

<https://www.ukpact.co.uk/south-africa-cfp-climate-policy-governance-clean-energy-2025>

The UK and South Africa have committed to work together to accelerate action on climate change while creating green jobs. To support this partnership, the UK Government is looking to extend its UK Partnering for Accelerated Climate Transitions (UK PACT) programme in South Africa with technical assistance and capacity-building projects supporting the climate policy and governance and clean energy sectors.

This call for proposals aims to support activities which are strategically aligned to national priorities on climate change mitigation and key policy areas identified through consultations with government counterparts and key stakeholders.

What is South Africa-UK PACT?

UK PACT (Partnering for Accelerated Climate Transitions) is a unique capacity-building programme. Jointly governed and funded by the UK Government's Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) and the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero (DESNZ) through the UK's International Climate Finance, it works in partnership with countries with high emissions reduction potential to support them to implement and increase their ambitions for tackling climate change.

UK PACT forms a key part of the UK's technical assistance offer under the Just Energy Transition Partnership (JETP) in South Africa.

What is UK PACT already funding?

Since 2020 the programme has funded numerous projects in South Africa, in sectors such as clean energy, green finance, climate policy and sustainable mobility. Previous and ongoing UK PACT projects in South Africa include:

Previous and ongoing UK PACT projects in South Africa include:

- Supporting sectoral modelling research for the evidence base South Africa used to inform its decision to submit an enhanced NDC.
- Supporting municipalities to procure the services of independent power producers.
- Assisting eThekweni municipality with designing a regional hydrogen economy strategy.
- Stimulating the growth of an embedded energy generation initiative in intermediary municipalities.

Further information on previous and ongoing projects can be found on the [South Africa-UK PACT web page](#).

What are we looking to fund

As a demand-informed programme, the South Africa-UK PACT Country Fund aims to align its support with the Government of South Africa's existing plans and policies. Through consultation with the Government of South Africa and other stakeholders, UK PACT has identified key opportunities in climate policy and governance and clean energy. We are looking to award grant funding for projects aimed at providing technical assistance and capacity-building to support a just transition.

Unlike the 2023 and 2024 calls for proposals, this opportunity calls for proposals in response to 4 topics – 2 of these are broad thematic areas with **broad** Terms of Reference, and 2 are specific project topics with **targeted** Terms of Reference.

You are currently looking at the following opportunity identified for funding within this call for proposals:

Project title		Sector	Number of expected grant awards
Thematic area 2:	Advancing a Just and Clean Energy Transition through Local Action	Clean energy	Potentially multiple
<p>These are broad Terms of Reference. Broad Terms of Reference (ToR) describe broad areas of support which have been identified as having potential to meet the objectives of SA Government counterparts and UK PACT programme outcomes. These broad ToR outline a non-exhaustive set of illustrative activities grouped under intervention areas. As part of this broad call, applicants do not need to address every single activity – applicants may propose projects which address a cohesive selection of the areas and activities, noting that the interventions proposed should be logical and coherent. We welcome innovative proposals from applicants which seek to achieve the objectives and outcomes for this theme: “Advancing a Just and Clean Energy Transition through Local Action”. Multiple grant awards may be made under this call, depending on the strength of proposals and budget availability.</p>			
<p>Guidance on Government engagement during the Call for Proposals <i>for broad Terms of Reference</i>:</p> <p>Applicants are expected to work with National departments or agencies, Provinces, and Municipalities, who will be the ultimate beneficiaries (counterparts) of the support. As such:</p>			

- Applicants are expected to engage with their selected government counterparts to design projects which meet their specific needs and align with the Terms of Reference.
- To ensure that Government counterparts have been consulted and involved, and welcome the support, applicants are expected to obtain a signed Letter of Support from a relevant signatory within the Government counterpart their project seeks to support (i.e. the Province / Municipality / National agency, etc.). The Letter of Support should be signed by the relevant MEC or Head of Department (HOD) in the case of a Province, by the Mayor or Municipal Manager in the case of a Municipality, and by an authorised signatory in the case of a National department or agency. This letter must be submitted as part of your application.
- Applicants are expected to work with a single or a selection of Counterpart(s); it is recommended that your selection be based on strong existing relationships and a history of successful collaboration.
- The selected Government Counterpart(s) should NOT form part of your consortium, but should be listed as Counterparts in the relevant section of your application

Terms of Reference: Thematic Area 2 - Advancing a Just and Clean Energy Transition through Local Action

Please note these are broad Terms of Reference, inviting innovative responses from applicants which meet the objectives and outcomes for the theme: “Advancing a Just and Clean Energy Transition through Local Action”.

Suggested government counterparts: DBSA, IDC, SALGA, DTIC, COGTA, Provinces, Municipalities

Sector: Clean energy

Project duration: No more than 12 months

Background

South Africa’s commitment to a just transition is well articulated in its national strategies and frameworks. However, the pace of implementation at the local level remains slow, primarily due to capacity constraints within municipalities and a lack of scalable, investable initiatives. While significant conceptual and strategic work has been done—including the development of the Just Transition Framework and the South African Renewable Energy Masterplan (SAREM)—these efforts must now translate into localised, inclusive, community-focused action that delivers tangible benefits.

A clean transition involves structural changes to how the economy is organised and how it functions, particularly in communities historically reliant on carbon-intensive industries. To be effective and equitable, this transformation must create local economic opportunities, build community resilience, and empower local institutions to lead. Municipalities are key actors in driving this change but often lack the capacity, tools, and partnerships required to identify and capitalise on demand- and supply-side opportunities in the green economy.

This call seeks targeted, practical interventions that drive change on the ground while strengthening systemic enablers to accelerate a just transition.

<p>Key suggested counterparts and stakeholders</p>	<p>Suggested counterparts: DBSA, IDC, SALGA, DTIC, COGTA, Provinces, Municipalities</p> <p>Examples of other key stakeholders: Various government departments, existing provincial or municipal networks, research institutions, civil society organisations, local industries, private sector partners, and others.</p>
---	--

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Applicants must take note of the following when considering responding to this call:

- Applicants are expected to work with a single or a selection of Government Counterparts (National Departments or Agencies / Provinces / Municipalities). It is recommended that your selection be based on strong existing relationships and a history of successful collaboration.
- Applicants are expected to engage with their selected counterparts to design projects which meet their specific needs and align with the Terms of Reference.
- The application must contain a Letter of Support from the selected Government Counterpart(s) (Department / Province / Municipality) who will benefit from the proposed project – this must be submitted as part of your application. The Letter of Support should be signed by the relevant MEC or Head of Department (HOD) in the case of a Province, by the Mayor or Municipal Manager in the case of a Municipality, and by an authorised signatory in the case of a National Department or Government Agency.
- A briefing note describing the UK PACT support has been shared with the suggested national counterparts listed in above, which may support applicants in obtaining a Letter of Support from their selected counterparts. [This briefing note can be found here.](#)
- These broad terms of reference describe a non-exhaustive set of illustrative activities, grouped under 3 areas. As part of this broad call, applicants do not need to address every single activity. Applicants may propose projects which address either some or all of the areas and activities, noting that the interventions proposed should be logical and coherent.

<p>Main objectives of the support</p>	<p>This Call for Proposals aims to support action-oriented initiatives that contribute to a just, inclusive, and accelerated clean energy transition, with a focus on subnational implementation. The main objectives include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strengthening municipal capacity and enhancing local partnerships to drive and manage local just transition initiatives and implement scalable solutions. • Accelerating a just transition through stronger, more inclusive, and data-informed decision-making, particularly for women, youth and other marginalised groups.. • Bolstering leadership, communication, and decision-making capacities to enable public sector leaders to navigate trade-offs and engage communities effectively. • Identifying and piloting investable, green economy opportunities that improve local living conditions and promote economic diversification. • Enhancing collaboration to support offtake, aggregation, and long-term sustainability. • Supporting the implementation of SAREM by fostering local manufacturing and economic development.
<p>Illustrative scope of activities (non-exhaustive)</p> <p><i>Illustrative activities are grouped under 3 areas and are non-exhaustive.</i></p> <p><i>As part of this broad call for proposals, applicants do not need to respond to every activity. Applicants may choose to propose projects which address some or all of the areas and activities, noting that the proposed interventions should be logical and coherent.</i></p>	<p>Proposals should respond to at least one of the following thematic areas, with cross-cutting and multi-thematic initiatives encouraged. Preference may be given to projects in areas which are more vulnerable to transition impacts.</p> <p>Area 1: Economic diversification and local development of clean energy value chains</p> <p><i>Illustrative interventions may include:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop economic strategies and plans that identify value chain opportunities linked to the development of renewable energy and storage solutions and the implementation of SAREM. • Facilitate value chain development linked to renewable energy sectors, including energy efficiency and storage technologies, and various demand- and supply-side opportunities. • Create business cases and investment-ready concepts with strong local offtake and employment potential (particularly for women, youth or those in transitioning industries). Consider linkages with existing local commercial and social agreements. • Pilot initiatives that pivot existing or legacy industries toward more sustainable and inclusive models. <p>Area 2: Institutional capacity for enhanced delivery of clean energy and energy efficiency initiatives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strengthen the skills and tools of local government officials to identify, assess, and implement just transition options. • Enhance the technical and planning capacity of municipalities to develop, evaluate, and implement local renewable energy projects (e.g., embedded generation, microgrids, storage).

(Area 2 continued)

- Enhance data systems, planning tools, and governance arrangements for renewable energy, energy efficiency, and demand-side management, and productive use of renewable energy initiatives.
- Address technical barriers to clean energy adoption through targeted interventions.
- Build leadership and decision-making capabilities, especially concerning evaluating trade-offs and co-benefits across social, economic, and technical dimensions.
- Collaborate with existing leadership structures and convening spaces to deliver joint capacity-building and planning efforts.
- Facilitate knowledge-sharing across municipalities and between spheres of government to institutionalise learning.

Area 3: Community Resilience and Social Compacts for a Just Transition

- Build technical skills and local workforce capabilities needed in renewable energy, manufacturing, or green services, creating pathways to tangible opportunities.
- Identify and address barriers to entry for women, youth and marginalised groups for transitioning and emerging jobs in the green economy/energy sector.
- Develop and pilot strategies to strengthen community resilience in response to transition risks.
- Establish or formalise localised social compacts involving community members, civil society, government, labour, and business to ensure shared commitment and coordination. Consider how existing social or commercial agreements can be leveraged to enhance scalability and sustainability (such as Social and Labour Plans in mining areas, for example).
- Support community training and public engagement activities around a Just Energy Transition, including inclusive communication and storytelling efforts.
- Forge and support multi-stakeholder engagement platforms that align local efforts with national and provincial policy frameworks.

Required Activities:

As part of UK PACT's **Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEL)** activities, and UK PACT's ongoing efforts to mainstream **Gender Equality, Disability and Social Inclusion (GEDSI)** considerations, the successful implementing partner will be required to:

- Develop a project case study (templates will be provided to the successful applicant)
- Report on UK PACT as well as JETP MEL indicators on a quarterly basis (templates will be provided to the successful applicant)
- Report on outputs, intermediate outcomes, and outcomes of the project
- Develop a GEDSI Action Plan for the project (templates will be provided to the successful applicant)

Illustrative outputs	<p>Proposals should clearly demonstrate the outputs that will be delivered within a 12-month period. Examples of potential outputs may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investment-ready business cases and concept notes in priority green economy value chains (e.g. renewable energy, green manufacturing) for investment and economic diversification in municipalities with significant just transition vulnerabilities. • Tested business models, technologies, or financing approaches supporting clean energy, storage, and economic diversification. • Pipeline of renewable energy or energy storage projects. • Pilot projects that demonstrate the shift from legacy industries to green energy solutions e.g. solar or battery storage applications. • Practical toolkits and training manuals tailored for municipal officials, providing frameworks for assessing, planning, and managing energy transition strategies at the local level. • Research, case studies, policy briefs, and public communication materials developed and disseminated. • Deployment of new or enhanced data and planning systems for local governments to track energy efficiency, renewable energy adoption, and socioeconomic impacts of the transition. • Increased understanding and application of GEDSI considerations shaping barriers and opportunities for women, youth and other marginalised groups in green economy projects (e.g. institutional capacity stocktaking, guidelines for mainstreaming gender, training and sensitisation programmes, indicators for tracking social co-benefits). • Signed and operational multi-stakeholder agreements outlining shared goals, roles, and mechanisms for managing local energy transition initiatives, especially in vulnerable or legacy industry communities. • Localised plans or roadmaps co-created with communities to enhance resilience against job losses or energy price shocks, with integrated measures for food, energy, and income security.
Illustrative outcomes (non-exhaustive)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adoption of enhanced plans, models and capabilities that drive clean energy roll out, with a view to delivering more ambitious, sustained and inclusive action on emissions reduction. • Implementation of plans and models (including policies, practices, tools and technologies) that deliver an accelerated energy transition, with a view to reducing emissions and facilitating equitable, inclusive and resilient economies

Additional reference documents for these Terms of Reference:

- [Just Transition Framework](#) [link to external site]
- [South African Renewable Energy Masterplan \(SAREM\)](#). [link to external site]

Important things to consider in your application:



Gender equality, disability and social inclusion (GEDSI)

All proposals must consider accessibility and inclusivity as a key action area in creating a more democratic, equitable and just transition to reduced emissions. As a result, **all projects are required to mainstream GEDSI** within the projects stated above and ensure adequate expertise and resources are available throughout delivery to achieve this, including developing a GEDSI Action plan during the inception period with support from the UK PACT South Africa GEDSI Advisor. Illustrative examples of potential activities include:

- Conducting a GEDSI analysis and systematically taking account of the differentiated needs, knowledge, experiences, and priorities of women, youth, and historically disadvantaged and other marginalised groups in all project activities.
- Contributing to improved evidence and policymaking to tackle energy poverty and increase inclusive energy security in South Africa.
- Ensuring project outputs/deliverables reflect evidence-informed GEDSI-specific considerations and recommendations, or discuss GEDSI impacts and outcomes.
- Conducting enhanced needs assessments and meaningfully engaging with civil society groups, including women's rights organisations, youth associations and organisations of people with disabilities, to better understand energy and employment needs and opportunities.
- Ensuring that the development of a green economy is built on inclusive supply chains, removing barriers faced by small businesses, marginalised groups, and those working in sectors which may shrink over time (e.g., fossil fuels).
- Recognising the role of marginalised groups and communities in informal sectors or roles with low visibility, including how they may be brought into the Just Transition.
- Facilitating increased engagement of women, youth, poor households, people with disabilities, and historically disadvantaged and other marginalised groups in decision-making, public consultation, and participatory planning.
- Increasing the integration of GEDSI-sensitisation and -considerations in policies, regulation, and planning processes and/or improved implementation of these.

We will score all projects using GEDSI selection criteria to ensure that projects seek to understand and address the needs and vulnerabilities of women and marginalised groups. All proposals are required to:

- Consider the key differences in the ways that local communities, youth, women, lower-income households, marginalised groups, and people with disabilities access and use energy and contribute to the Just Energy Transition. Key issues may include those of affordability, accessibility, safety, and representation.
- Identify specific outputs that would address some of the issues faced and integrate these activities through the project.
- Ensure that the project's monitoring and results framework explicitly states how GEDSI outcomes will be achieved through the project's outputs.
- To reflect FCDO's commitment to the localisation of delivery, additional consideration will be given to consortia which include local organisations, Level 1 & 2 B-BBEE contributors, women-owned entities, and entities owned by people with disabilities.

Applicants are encouraged to review [**UK PACT's GEDSI Ambition and Guidance**](#) when developing their proposals. On the UK PACT website, applicants can also find guidance on how to mainstream GEDSI in different sectors and case studies from previous programming.



Budget and funding availability

Each proposal will be assessed independently. We will support projects with grants of up to £500,000 per financial year (UK financial year, April – March).

Funding is available for up to 12 months. All projects are assumed to have a start date in October 2025. The projects must have a clear indication of the outputs expected to be achieved over the course of the year.

During the project delivery phase, should additional funding become available, we may be able to consider project extensions beyond the initial 12-month period, but this cannot be guaranteed. Budgets and workplans should therefore only be submitted for 12 months, and should deliver distinct, comprehensive, and meaningful projects and outputs as part of a 12-month delivery timeframe.

Proposals can be submitted for more than one project. However, separate applications should be prepared for each project.



Government engagement

Guidance on Government engagement during the application period for these broad Terms of Reference:

- Applicants are expected to work with a single or a selection of Government Counterparts (National Departments or Agencies / Provinces / Municipalities). It is recommended that your selection be based on strong existing relationships and a history of successful collaboration.
- Applicants are expected to engage with their selected counterparts to design projects which meet their specific needs and align with the Terms of Reference.
- The application must contain a Letter of Support from the selected Government Counterpart(s) (Department / Province / Municipality) who will benefit from the proposed project – this must be submitted as part of your application. The Letter of Support should be signed by the relevant MEC or Head of Department (HOD) in the case of a Province, by the Mayor or Municipal Manager in the case of a Municipality, and by an authorised signatory in the case of a National Department or Government Agency.
- A briefing note describing the UK PACT support has been shared with the suggested national counterparts listed in the ToR, which may support applicants in obtaining a Letter of Support from their selected counterparts. [This briefing note can be found here.](#)
- The selected National departments / Agencies / Provinces / Municipalities should NOT form part of your consortium, but should be listed as Counterparts in the relevant section of your application.



What is the timeline for selection?

Stage	Date
1. Terms of Reference (ToR) and application process launched	30 June 2025
2. Deadline for receipt of clarification questions	25 July 2025
3. Consolidated answers to clarification questions will be published on the 3 occasions, on the South Africa-UK PACT web page. Kindly note that clarification questions will not be answered by email.	14 July 2025 21 July 2025 28 July 2025
4. Deadline for submission of applications	8 August 2025 17:00 SAST/ 15:00 UTC
5. Applicants notified	September 2025
6. Due diligence, co-creation and grant signing	September 2025 - October 2025
7. Projects start date	October 2025

Timelines are subject to change. Changes will be communicated on the South Africa-UK PACT Call for Proposals web page.



Application guidance

All applications for this call must be submitted via the Call for Proposals web page by **8 August 2025, at 17:00 SAST / 15:00 UTC**. Projects will be selected through a one-stage open and competitive Call for Proposals. Applicants should read the Terms of Reference and Applicant Handbook to understand what is required to submit a strong proposal for this call.

Application submission process

Step 1:

Visit the respective UK PACT Call for Proposals web page.

Step 2:

Download the application pack

Step 3:

Fill out the application pack

Step 4:

Submit the form linked on the CfP page under the respective project

Step 5:

You will receive a link by email to submit your application. Upload the completed application pack to the link sent via email (upon the completion of Step 4)

Once you have submitted your documents on the web browser, you should see a green tick on your webpage with a message indicating that your submission was successful. Kindly note that you will not receive an email confirming receipt of your application.

What do you need to submit?

You will submit **5 application documents using the UK PACT templates provided which are available for download here**. (via the CfP web page). These are:

1. **Project proposal template** — please ensure that you populate the proposal template as fully as possible, to avoid submitting an incomplete application.
2. **Budget and workplan template** — note: all proposals must include an inception phase of one month in the workplan, during which time any necessary engagements with the Government of South Africa will be carried out, deliverables confirmed and theory of change finalised. At the end of this period a revised workplan may be required.
3. **Project Theory of Change form**
4. **Project risk and issue register template**
5. **Letter of Intent from relevant Government Counterparts** – i.e. the selected Department / Agency / Provinces / Municipalities your project seeks to support.

Applications MUST include each of the application documents in order to be eligible.

Additional supporting documentation may be submitted, such as CVs of key staff.



What are the eligibility criteria?

Eligibility criteria

- Applicant**
- We invite all organisations with relevant experience in delivering technical assistance and capacity-building projects. This could be think-tanks, consultancies, academic institutions, community organisations, NGOs, professional associations, or any similar organisations that have the knowledge, skills and experience to deliver an eligible project.
 - UN agencies are eligible to apply, however please note where a UN agency is the lead applicant, project awards will be subject to signing a Contribution Arrangement with FCDO. This may impact timescales for implementation.
 - Proposals from private sector entities are welcomed, noting however that profit cannot be funded through grant funding and projects must be submitted on a not-for-profit basis. Companies are encouraged to refer to the Applicant Handbook and the Budget and Workplan Template (linked on the CfP webpage) for clarity on eligible costs.
 - Government agencies and Government departments **are not eligible** to receive UK PACT funding, either as a lead organisation or partner in a consortium. This includes state-owned enterprises.
 - However, as part of this call for proposals National and Provincial Government Enterprises (i.e. only **public institutions listed in PFMA schedules 3B and 3D for 2025, linked here**) may form part of consortia **as downstream partners**, but may not apply as the lead implementing partner.
 - Universities may apply as lead implementing partners or as part of a consortium.
 - We encourage consortia to apply. We do not restrict sub-partners from applying as part of multiple consortia.

-
- Project**
- Proposals can be submitted for more than one project, but a consortium cannot apply more than once to the same project.
 - **Budgets must not include tangible assets or capital expenditure.** Including these costs may result in your application being ineligible.

-
- Application**
- All applications must be coherent and legible.
 - **All relevant templates** must be completed.
 - **All relevant sections** in each template must be completed.
 - Applications must be submitted in English.
-

What are the selection criteria?

Area	Heading	Criteria description	Weighting
Technical (70%)	Project description, methodology and workplan	The applicant clearly articulates how the project responds to the Terms of Reference, plans to deliver the expected outputs and lays out a project plan which includes a description of the project, activities, workplan, and stakeholder engagement plan. The applicant provides a convincing rationale for the ability of the project to deliver outcomes.	25
	Impact	The applicant clearly articulates how the project will specifically help the counterpart achieve and accelerate their goals of achieving carbon emissions reductions in relevant sectors. The applicant provides a clear impact pathway [See the Theory of Change template to be submitted] showing how their outputs will lead to the outcomes required for transformational change and identifies opportunities for replication / scaling up of activities	15
	Knowledge, skills, experience, and team structure	<p>The proposed project team has relevant knowledge and experience in the subject area and has the skills in place to deliver the project. This includes knowledge, skills and experience in the specific thematic area the proposal responds to, technical assistance/capacity building, and public sector project implementation. The core skills, experience and knowledge required to deliver all elements of the project that have been outlined (including project management, monitoring and evaluation, and GEDSI mainstreaming) are covered and the team is well structured and available to mobilise quickly.</p> <p>To ensure effective knowledge transfer and capacity building, applicants must demonstrate a strong understanding of South African priorities and delivery context, as well as bringing relevant expertise required.</p> <p>Additional consideration will be given to consortia which include local organisations, Level 1 & 2 B-BBEE contributors, women-owned entities, youth-owned entities, and entities owned by people with disabilities.</p>	15
	Gender equality, disability and social inclusion (GEDSI)	The applicant clearly identifies how the project will seek to understand and address the needs and vulnerabilities of women and marginalised groups, including considerations of race and class. The proposal has considered the key differences in the way that local communities, men, women, youth, lower-income households, marginalised groups and people with disabilities are impacted by a just transition, as well as their barriers and opportunities to participate in climate action. The proposal has successfully mainstreamed GEDSI in their project and identified specific outputs that would lead to desired GEDSI outcomes.	15

What are the selection criteria?

Area	Heading	Criteria description	Weighting
Project Management (15%)	Project Management	The proposal outlines a clear plan for mobilising the project quickly and effectively. There are robust project management mechanisms to ensure activities stay on track and deliver project results. The applicant provides a clear plan for managing consortia where applicable.	10
		The applicant has clearly outlined the key risks associated with delivery with clear plans for mitigating these and an understanding of the likelihood and impact of each. This includes impacts on marginalised/indigenous groups and changing political and security contexts.	5
	Environmental sustainability	The applicant has outlined a robust approach to minimising any negative impact on the environment due to this project. For example, through minimising travel, tracking emissions, implementing environmental policies, carbon off-setting etc.	Y/N
Financial (15%)	Budget	The budget is clearly linked to the activities and outputs outlined, with appropriate allocation of time and resources, and costs that appear reasonable for the activities proposed, including sufficient allocation for project management, reporting and data collection to allow for close coordination with UK PACT.	10
	Value for money	The application provides confidence that the project will represent good value for money, including FCDO's Four Es (economy, efficiency, effectiveness, and equity). The Four Es are detailed in the Applicant Handbook .	5

How do we score each criterion?

Score	
5	Excellent response, significant degree of confidence: extremely clear response, explicitly addresses the requirements of the call.
4	Strong response, high degree of confidence: strong response, addresses the requirements of the call to a good degree.
3	Good response, good degree of confidence: fairly strong response, addresses most of the requirements of the call.
2	Weak response, some degree of confidence: weak response, Addresses some of the requirements of the call.
1	Poor response, limited degree of confidence: doesn't address requirements of the call

What to do if you have questions?

Applicants should read this Terms of Reference together with the [Applicant Handbook](#) and other guidance documents for all the details on how to apply.

Questions related to this call for proposals can be addressed to: southafrica@ukpact.co.uk. **Answers will be published on the South Africa-UK PACT Call for Proposals web page.** Kindly note that clarification questions will not be answered by email. **Clarification questions will be accepted until 25 July 2025 at 17:00 SAST/ 15:00 UTC.**

If you have any technical issues with the **Call for Proposals web page** or the submission process, please contact: southafrica@ukpact.co.uk.

UK PACT

UK Partnering for Accelerated Climate Transitions (UK PACT) is a programme funded by the UK Government. UK PACT supports countries that strive to overcome barriers to clean growth and have high emissions reduction potential to accelerate their climate change mitigation efforts.
