

Bidding Deadlines

Deadline	Decisions By	NIBS dates
Friday 18 September 2015	2 October 2015	9 to 11 September
Friday 22 January 2016	5 February 2016	-
Friday 13 May 2016	27 May 2016	4 to 6 April (new dates)
Friday 23 September 2016	7 October 2016	14 to 16 September

Bidding for NIBS Funds

The Management Group has decided to increase the number of bidding rounds so there will now be three rounds each year. This will provide an increased opportunity to bid for NIBS funds and, with the deadline dates agreed in advance, it should give colleagues plenty of time to provide a more detailed account of what they intend to do with the funds. We aim to provide feedback within 2 weeks of the deadline date.

As in previous rounds, bids will be reviewed by the NIBS Management Group who will place weight on:

- the scientific rationale for the proposed work in the context of the Network objectives;
- its potential to deliver significant outputs consistent with Network research objectives;
- affordability/value for money;
- bids with potential to foster Network objectives of cross-institution and cross-disciplinary research;
- bids that have potential to create impact;
- ensuring that, where PhD or Post Doc input is requested, their overall work profiles within the Network are suitably career enhancing.

Any bid should include at least one NIBS Co-Investigator or Post Doc as a named collaborator. Beyond this there are no restrictions regarding who can bid.

Bids should include the following information.

- A. Outline of proposed research (normally 200 - 500 words)
- B. Explain how the proposed research will contribute to the objectives of the Network
- C. Resources requested (and details of other funding supporting the research)
- D. For bids requesting input of junior researchers, please explain their role (and whether, for instance, there will be opportunities for career enhancement). Please specify requested researcher time as a percentage of their time across a specified number of weeks.
- E. Schedule for conduct of the research. We expect that most bids funded in this and the previous round will report back at September NIBS meetings.

Please submit bids, via e-mail attachment, to suzanne.robey@nottingham.ac.uk