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Re: **Research England funding for 2023-24**

Dear <Salutation>

I am writing to provide information about your higher education provider's (HEP's) research and knowledge exchange grants from Research England for 2023-24.

This letter explains in broad terms the main changes to Research England's funding for research and knowledge exchange for 2023-24 compared to 2022-23. It is part of a suite of documents which set out information relating to your HEP and to the sector more widely. A full list of these documents and tables is described in **Annex A**. We do not require a reply to this letter.

Funding budgets

The guidance letter to UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) from the Department for Science, Innovation and Technology (DSIT)¹ confirmed the funding available for the 2023-24 financial year (April to March), and confirmed provisional funding for the 2024-25 financial year. The letter also identified the policies and priorities that should underpin our approach to funding.

In the light of that allocations letter and following discussion with and endorsement by the Research England Council, we set budgets for Research England's funding streams for HEPs for the academic and financial years 2023-24 and 2024-25². Capital funding is allocated by financial year (April to March) and all other formula-based funding is allocated by academic year (August to July).

As usual, any significant future changes to our funding by government could affect the funding we are able to distribute to HEPs in the 2023-24 academic year, and this may include revising allocations after they have been announced.

¹ See www.ukri.org/publications/guidance-from-dsit-for-research-england-funding-allocations

² See www.ukri.org/publications/research-england-funding-budgets-for-2023-to-2025



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2023-24 Grant changes for HEPs

HEPs may see grant changes for a number of reasons including:

- Changes, relative to the sector as a whole, to HEPs' postgraduate research student numbers, research staff numbers, and Office for Students (OfS) Annual Financial Return data, which affect HEPs' share of research funding.
- Changes, relative to the sector as a whole, to HEPs' HE-BCI data, OfS Annual Financial Return data, and Knowledge Transfer Partnerships (KTP) data, which affects their share of knowledge exchange funding.
- Changes to the number of HEPs being allocated grants from a funding stream.

We wish to provide as much support as we can for HEPs in understanding their funding outcomes and on the main factors that have led to funding changes. HEPs should address any questions on this to annualfunding@re.ukri.org.

Terms and conditions of funding

The terms and conditions of funding set out the formal relationship between UKRI and the HEPs that it funds in relation to funds administered through Research England. The terms and conditions applicable to funding administered by Research England for the 2023-24 academic year were published on 1 August 2023³. The terms and conditions include those related to provision of data and compliance with governance and data assurance requirements.

Additional conditions for knowledge exchange funding

All HEPs in receipt of HEIF must pay regard to the 2020 HEIF policy & priorities publication⁴ and comply with guidance related to eligible uses of HEIF, accountability and monitoring arrangements.

This document also applies to use of the HEIF business and commercialisation supplement, with the additional requirement that these funds are used entirely for, and additionally to use of HEIF for, business and commercialisation activity.

Further information and requests for changes

There may occasionally be circumstances in which HEPs wish to request changes to the data from which we calculate allocations. We only expect to accept data amendments to correct errors that are widespread, substantial and have a material impact on Research England's use of the

³ See www.ukri.org/publications/research-england-terms-and-conditions

⁴ See www.ukri.org/publications/research-england-heif-policies-and-priorities/



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data. HEPs that wish to request changes should refer to the Office for Students Data amendments process⁵, and consult the technical guidance document when published in Autumn 2023.

If you would like informal advice about the effects of any data changes or have any questions about your allocations, please contact annualfunding@re.ukri.org.

Yours sincerely

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⁵ See www.officeforstudents.org.uk/data-and-analysis/amendments-to-data/data-amendments-process

Annex A: Documents and tables related to the 2023-24 grant allocations

The following are, or will soon be available on the [Research England website](#):

Key documents	Expected timetable
<p>Research England funding budgets for 2023 to 2025 Sets out our decisions on funding budgets for academic and financial years 2023-24 and 2024-25.</p>	<p>Available now: www.ukri.org/publications/research-england-funding-budgets-for-2023-to-2025</p>
<p>Research England grant allocations basis for 2023-24 Sets out the basis for our allocations to HEPs in 2022-23 and provides information about funding methods</p>	<p>Available now: www.ukri.org/publications/research-england-grant-allocations-to-heps-2023-to-2024</p>
<p>Research England grant allocations data 2023-24 Lists our allocations to HEPs in 2022-23 for all formula-based funds, except those listed later in this table</p>	<p>Available now: www.ukri.org/publications/research-england-grant-allocations-to-heps-2023-to-2024</p>
<p>Payment information 2023-24 Includes payment profiles for grants to HEPs from August 2023 to July 2024</p>	<p>Available now: https://www.ukri.org/what-we-do/what-we-have-funded/research-england/research-england-funding-allocations-from-2023-to-2024/grant-payment-information-for-2023-to-2024</p>
<p>Remaining HEP allocations for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HEIF business and commercialisation supplement • Policy Support Fund • Participatory Research fund • Specialist Provider Element 	<p>September 2023</p>
<p>Individual HEP grant data tables 2023-24 Shows the recurrent QR, HEIF and Museums, Galleries and Collections funding allocated for 2023-24, and a breakdown of the data used in the funding calculations.</p>	<p>Autumn 2023</p>
<p>Technical guidance 2023-24 Explains in detail how the figures in the grant tables have been derived. The guidance is aimed primarily at finance and planning officers.</p>	<p>Autumn 2023</p>

To access the above documents and further supporting information, see our [funding allocation pages for 2023-24](#).