Instructions

You may save your application as a draft at any time and resume it later. To do so, please scroll down and click on the "Save LOI" button at the bottom of the application page. Please do not use the Back button or you will lose any unsaved information. To avoid any inconvenience, remember to save regularly while working on your application. For further instructions on each question, please consult the program instructions and frequently asked questions (FAQs).

PI and USG-supported partner information

Project Name*

Focus Areas*

Please select the category that applies to your project. Your project must fall into one of these areas to be eligible for review. For more information, please refer to the Focus Areas section on our website.

Choices

Multiple Countries/ Any Development-Related Research
Multiple Countries/ PEER Advanced Digital Tools
Multiple Countries/ Family Planning and Reproductive Health
Multiple Countries/ Social, Economic, and Behavioral Sciences
Afghanistan/ Urban WASH and Transboundary Water
Bangladesh/ Clean Energy
Tunisia/ Economic Growth, ICT, and Small and Medium Enterprises
Vietnam/ Bioremediation of Dioxin and Furans

Country*

Select the country where your institution is based. Please refer to the Focus Areas section of our website to confirm that your country is eligible to apply for the PEER program. Please note that eligible countries differ between the different Focus Areas.

Choices

Afghanistan
Albania
Angola
Armenia
Bangladesh
Benin
Botswana
Brazil
Burkina Faso
Colombia
Dominican Republic
Egypt
Ethiopia
Georgia
Ghana
Haiti
India
Indonesia
Iraq
Jamaica
Kazakhstan
Kenya
Kosovo
Kyrgyz Republic
Lebanon
Liberia
Madagascar
Malawi
Maldives
Mali
Mexico
Moldova
Morocco
Mozambique
Namibia
Nepal
Niger
Nigeria
Pakistan
Peru
Philippines
Rwanda
Senegal
Sierra Leone
South Africa
Sri Lanka
Tajikistan
Tanzania
Timor-Leste
Tunisia
Turkmenistan
Uganda
Uzbekistan
Vietnam
Zambia
Grant Number
*Character Limit: 100*

**Proposed start date for your PEER project***
Please be advised that decisions will not be made before October 2020.

**Choices**
November 2020
December 2020
January 2021
February 2021
March 2021

**Duration of your PEER project***
You may request support for PEER projects lasting for *up to two years (three years for specific focus areas)*. In some cases, projects selected to receive funding may request and receive a no-cost extension if reasonable progress is being made.

**Choices**
1 year
2 years
3 years

**Region***
Please select the corresponding region where the proposed project will take place.

**Choices**
Africa
Asia
Europe/Eurasia
Latin America
Middle East/North Africa

**Primary field of research***

**Choices**
Agriculture
Biodiversity
Climate
Disaster mitigation
Education
Energy
Engineering
Environment
Food security
Health
Social sciences
Water
Other field of research (if any)
*Character Limit: 100

Subfield of research
*Character Limit: 250

Last name of PI*
*Character Limit: 200

First name of PI*
*Character Limit: 200

Gender of PI*
Choices
Female
Male

Email of PI*
*Character Limit: 100

E-mail of applicant (person submitting application form) if different from PI
*Character Limit: 100

Telephone number of PI*
Please include country dialing code
*Character Limit: 100

PI's citizenship(s)*
Please list all the countries of which you are a citizen or have permanent residency. If you are a dual U.S. citizen, please make sure to list it.
*Character Limit: 250

Do you plan to be away from your country of residence for a significant time during the PEER project*
Choices
Yes
No

If yes, please explain:
Please clarify how long you would be away from your country of residence during the duration of the PEER program and the reasons that would lead you to do so. There is no need to list vacations/holidays or brief visits away from your country to attend conferences.
*Character Limit: 1000
**Highest degree achieved by PI***
Please select the highest academic degree received by the applicant.

**Choices**
- Bachelors (BS, BA)
- Masters (MSc, MA, MPH, MPP, MPA, LLM)
- Professional (MD, PharmD, DDS, DO, JD)
- Doctorate (PhD, ScD)

**Have you received a PEER (Science or Health) grant in the past?***

**Choices**
- Yes
- No

**PI's institution type***
Please specify the type of institution with which you are affiliated. All applicants must be based at an academic institution unless otherwise noted in specific focus areas.

**Choices**
- Academic institution
- Government managed research center
- Non-governmental organization (NGO)
- Government ministry
- Other

**Name of PEER PI's institution***
*Character Limit: 100*

**Address of PEER PI's institution***
*Character Limit: 1000*

**Last name of USG-supported partner***
*Character Limit: 250*

**First name of USG-supported partner***
*Character Limit: 200*

**Gender of the USG-supported partner***

**Choices**
- Female
- Male

**USG-supported partner's e-mail***
*Character Limit: 250*
USG-supported partner's institution*
*Character Limit: 250

Project title of USG-supported partner's award/grant*
Please note: if your USG-supported partner is a U.S. government employee and does not have a specific project title, type "Intramural" in the box below instead of listing a project title.
*Character Limit: 250

U.S. Government (USG) funding agency*
Please select the USG funding agency that awarded your USG-supported partner's grant. All applicants must have a USG-supported partner
Choices
National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)
National Institutes of Health (NIH)
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)
National Science Foundation (NSF)
Smithsonian Institution
United States Agency for International Development (USAID)
United States Department of Agriculture/ Agricultural Research Service (USDA/ARS)
United States Department of Agriculture/ Forest Service
United States Department of Agriculture/ National Institute of Food and Agriculture (USDA/NIFA)
United States Geological Survey (USGS)

USG-supported partner's award/grant number*
Please provide the award/grant number including all digits and letters of your USG-supported partner. Please note: if your USG-supported partner is a U.S. government employee please type "Intramural" in the box below instead of listing an award/grant number.
*Character Limit: 200

End date of your USG-supported partner's award/grant*
The USG-supported partner’s funding award or agency employment status must be active at the time of the pre-proposal submission deadline, February 10, 2020. Format of the date will be MM/DD/YYYY. If your USG-supported partner is an intramural researcher please list the date of February 10, 2020, or 02/10/2020).
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Name of funding agency's program officer for the USG-supported partner's award/grant*
Please provide the name of the program officer/manager at the USG funding agency that has awarded your USG-supported partner the grant. If your USG-supported partner is an intramural researcher, please duplicate his/her name in this section.
*Character Limit: 250
Phone number of funding agency's program officer for the USG-supported partner's award/grant*
If your USG-supported partner is an intramural researcher, please provide his/her phone number in this section.

Character Limit: 50

Email address of funding agency's program officer for the USG-supported partner's award/grant*
If your USG-supported partner is an intramural researcher, please provide his/her email address in this section.

Character Limit: 100

Name of secondary USG-supported partner (if any)
If your proposed PEER project involves a secondary USG-supported partner list his/her name (Last/Family Name, Given/First Name format) in the text box provided. Please note that it is completely voluntary to have a secondary USG-supported partner.

Character Limit: 250

USG funding agency of secondary USG-supported partner (if applicable)

Choices
Not Applicable
National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)
National Institutes of Health (NIH)
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)
National Science Foundation (NSF)
Smithsonian Institution
United States Department of Agriculture/ Agricultural Research Service (USDA/ARS)
United States Department of Agriculture/ Forest Service
United States Department of Agriculture/ National Institute of Food and Agriculture (USDA/NIFA)
United States Geological Survey (USGS)

Program staff comments

Character Limit: 10000

Mission recommendation

Choices
High
Medium
Low
Project Description

Please fill out all sections for your proposed PEER project. Note that there are character limit restrictions for each section, and these limits include spaces. The project description should be written so that readers without technical expertise can understand.

a. Project aims and objectives*

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b. Significance of the research as it relates to a particular focus area*

   Please refer to the Focus Area section on our website and the Country Strategies (CDCS) of the focal country(ies) to help you in writing this portion of the application. The development impacts of your proposed PEER research project must be clearly articulated in this section.

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c. Expertise of the USG-supported partner*

   Please provide a description of how the expertise of the USG-supported partner will complement the proposed PEER research project. Also, please indicate how the PEER partnership will contribute to the partner’s USG-supported research.

   Character Limit: 1000

d. Other potential partners

   Please list other partners with whom the applicant will collaborate on the project (for example: government agencies, USAID Missions, co-PIs, research networks, laboratories, and other implementing partners). Explain the roles and responsibilities as they relate to the proposed PEER project for each institution involved, and indicate whether you will be requesting PEER funds to support the participation of any of these institutions listed.

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Budget

Please provide the estimated total budget figure for your proposed PEER project. PEER project budgets vary depending on the proposed research scope and the project duration. Proposed PEER projects may be up to two years (unless noted under specific focus area). Please refer to the budget template on our website to assist in estimating costs. Outside of the Bangladesh/Clean Energy focus area which has a maximum budget of $70,000 per year, typical project budgets fall within the following ranges:

- Single institution: US$40,000 - $80,000 per year
- Multiple institutions: US$40,000 - $100,000 per year
**To qualify for multiple institutional award status:**
To qualify for multi-institutional award status, PEER applicants must plan to provide part of the PEER funds to another PEER-eligible institution as part of their proposed project. Applicants who are invited to submit full proposals will be required to specify funds for activities to be implemented by partnering institutions in a separate budget table using the template to be provided.

**Single or multiple institution project***
Based on the information above, please indicate whether your proposed PEER project is single or multiple institution.

**Choices**
- Single institution
- Multiple institution

**If multiple institution project, list other developing country institutions**
If multi-institution project, list other developing country institutions involved that would receive funding from your PEER budget.

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**Estimated total budget***
Please list the total amount of your project budget over its entire duration, not the amount you would need for each year. If invited to submit a full proposal, you will have the opportunity to adjust this total at the time of full proposal submission.

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**Outreach**

**How did you first hear about the 2020 PEER pre-proposal solicitation?**

**Choices**
- Email from the National Academy of Sciences (NAS)
- Email from USAID
- Email from other U.S. Government agency (NASA, NIH, NOAA, NSF, Smithsonian, USDS-ARS/NIFA/FS, USGS)
- Email from U.S. colleague
- Email or announcement from professional society
- Announcement at technical meeting or conference
- USAID in-country mission
- Your home institution
- NAS website
- USAID website
- IAP website
- PNAS journal ad
- Facebook
- Twitter
Other

**If other, please specify.**

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**Appendices**

**Curriculum vitae (Applicant)**

Please attach the PEER applicant’s brief CV, which should be **no more than two pages in length**. Please use the attached standard format for CVs (standard PEER CV). The CV should provide citations for **no more than five to ten recent and relevant publications**. If the project includes more than one developing country institution, please also include a CV for the key project participant at each institution. Please do not submit electronic copies of publications or other background materials, as they will not be forwarded to reviewers. **All the CVs must be uploaded together in one single file.**

*File Size Limit: 3 MB*

**Letter of support from the USG-supported partner**

A letter of support written by the USG-supported partner explaining his or her intention to collaborate on the proposed PEER project. The letter should also include the partner’s USG-funded grant title, number, funding agency, name of program officer and contact information for his or her active USG award. The letter must be written on official institutional letterhead and must be signed by the USG-supported partner.

*File Size Limit: 2 MB*

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**Submit**

Once you have filled out all the sections of the application and uploaded all the required documents, you can then submit your application by clicking the "Submit LOI" button at the bottom of the page. Please consult the PEER website for further information. If you have any additional questions regarding the PEER program, please contact us at peer@nas.edu.