Coral Local Innovation Program (CLIP) 2025

Proposal Submission Deadline – April 18th 2025

Welcome to the Coral Local Innovation program (CLIP) Webinar

Please submit questions through Zoom questions or chat; if we do not get to all questions today, we will update the FAQ with the outstanding ones.

We will answer questions at the end of the presentation.

Please read the call documents carefully before developing your submission – it is critical to address the objectives of the call and ensure that you meet the criteria!

We will post this recording online to be shared with those who could not attend.

Please send any further queries to pcn@kaust.edu.sa

Do not send any queries to funding@cordap.org

Full proposal documents are available at:

https://cordap.org/clip-award/

⊖ Timeline and deadlines

Call Timeline	
Call Opens	3rd March2025
Informational Webinar (Registration link)	18th March2025 12:00 UTC
Proposal Submission Deadline	18th April February 18:00 UTC
Anticipated Notification Date	Aug/Sept 2025
Call Documentation	CORDAP website
Proposal Submission Portal Link	myCORDAP

⊕ Call documents

⊕ Funding policies

⊖ Submission assistance

⊖ CORDAP Strategic Plan 2022-2025

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Welcome to the Coral Local Innovation program (CLIP) Webinar

CLIP Webinar Presentation Outline

Duration: 30 minutes + Q&A 20 Minutes

1. **General Introduction about CORDAP**
What is CORDAP?
•Mission and vision

2. **Aims and Objectives of CORDAP & Overview of Activities**
•Core objectives of CORDAP
•Current initiatives and global impact

3. **About the Coral Local Innovation Program (CLIP)**
•Purpose and importance of CLIP
•Target audience and eligibility

4. **Key Funding Policies of CLIP**
•Key guidelines and funding policies
•Compliance and reporting requirements

5. **Application Process**
•Step-by-step guide to the application process
•Important deadlines and evaluation criteria

6. myCORDAP Online Proposal Submission Walkthrough

7. Conclusion & Q&A

•**Open floor for questions through chat**

What is G20 CORDAP? - _COral Research and Development Accelerator Platform_

A G20 initiative focused on accelerating international research and development (R&D) targeting the most important knowledge gaps in coral conservation and restoration.

Launched during the Saudi Arabian G20 presidency, it is a not-for-profit foundation funded by voluntary contributions. Saudi Arabia's contribution is $100M over 10 years– our target is $300M to invest in innovation for coral conservation.

CORDAP's main activity is the funding, management, and execution of coordinated, collaborative, and targeted global R&D programs for coral conservation and restoration.

CORDAP has an Initiative Governing Committee (IGC) composed of member countries and coral organizations and an international Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC).

King Abdullah University of Science & Technology (KAUST) resources, hosts, and supports all administration– 100% of all contributions go to the funded coral conservation projects.

CORDAP – Goals and Objectives

Fund and deliver the best novel scientific and technological solutions to conserve and restore corals and reefs

a

Connect existing national, regional, and international R&D programs

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Develop and share novel scientific tools

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Support a gender-balanced, transdisciplinary global community of scientists, technologists, and innovators to achieve the goals

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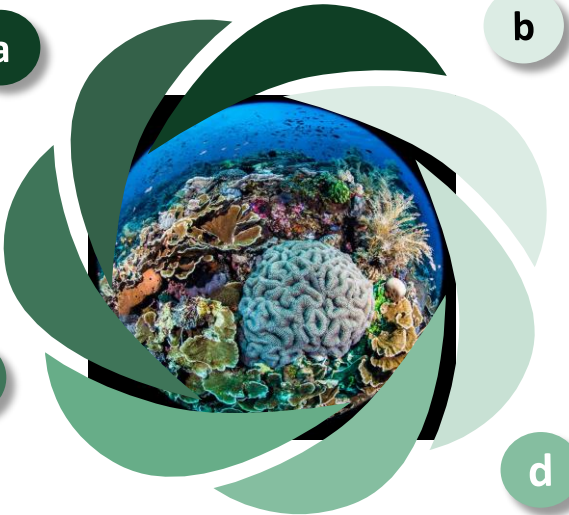**Facilitate access to information & research facilities**

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d

Engage the R&D capacity of the private sector with the goals

Provide advanced R&D training to scientists from developing and least developed countries

Ambitious, inclusive, and unique– a global effort including all tropical, shallow, and deep-water corals:
No Corals Left Behind

CORDAP at a glance

Since 2021, CORDAP collaborated with 233 institutions from 60 countries (53% LMIC)
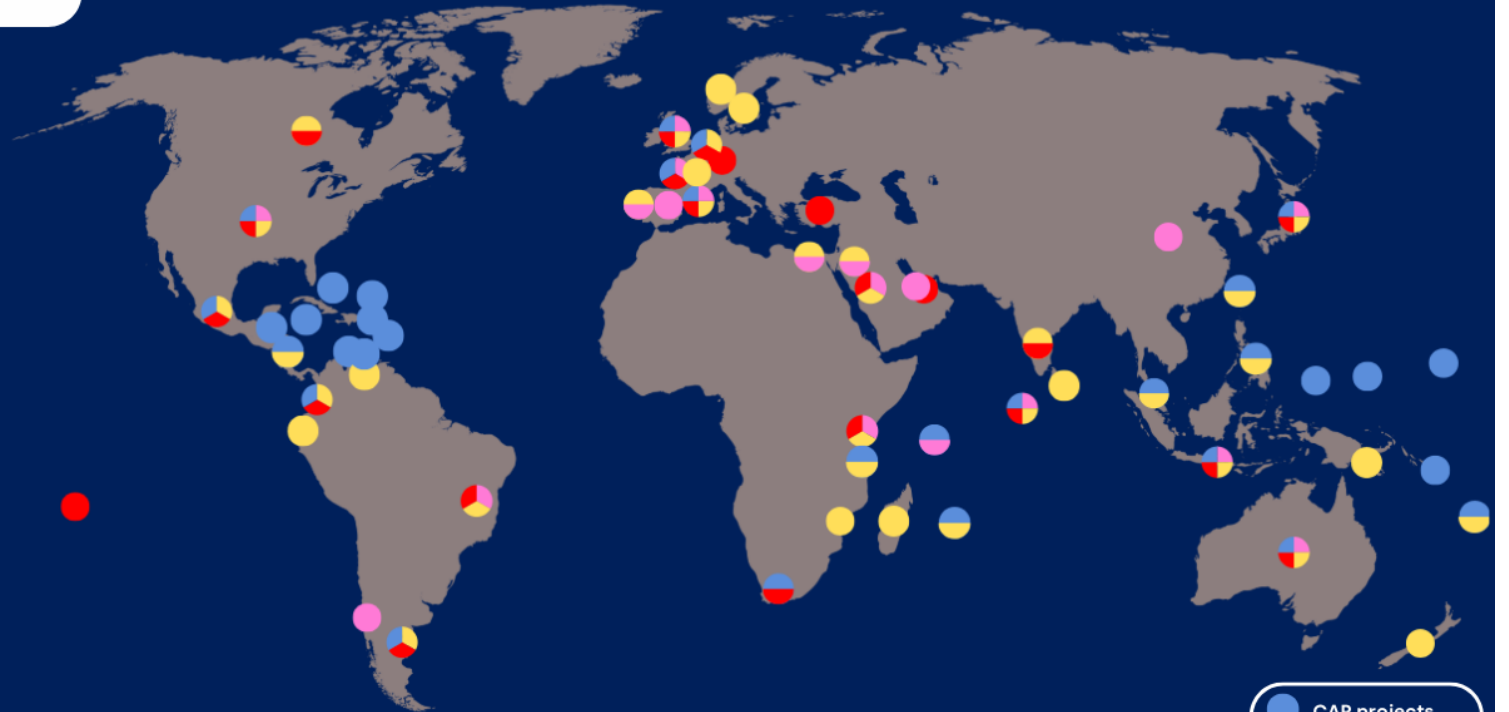
22 projects funded

130 researchers supported

6 scoping studies

4 technology roadmaps

>US$ 28 m committed for coral research and restoration

Legend:
- CAP projects
- IGC & SAC
- Scoping studies
- Events' partners

CORDAP through time*

Since 2021

2022
35 countries involved
57 institutions involved

2023
14 project funded
90 researchers supported
3 scoping studies
1 roadmap published
52 countries involved (+17)
165 institutions involved (+108)

2024
22 projects funded (+8)
130 researchers supported (+40)
6 scoping studies (+3)
4 roadmaps published (+3)
60 countries involved (+8)
233 institutions involved (+68)

*cumulative values

CORDAP Scoping Studies– & Technology Roadmaps Updates

CORDAP Scoping Studies are short-term (< 6 months) activities, centered around a workshop, that bring together world experts in relevant topics, with the outputs being:
- Summary of current knowledge
- Recommended priorities and options for funding and investment
- Technology Roadmaps to help align and guide global R&D efforts in the area

Jan 28 – 30, 2023
KAUST, Saudi Arabia
Co-host: KAUST Reefscape Restoration Initiative (KRRI)

Coral Aquaculture (Innovative Technologies for Reef Restoration)

Jan 22 – 25, 2024
Brisbane, Australia
Co-host: AIMS

Managing Ecological Risks of Coral Reef Interventions

Roadmap and peer-reviewed publications underway (target=Q1 2025)

Oct 29 – Nov 1, 2024
Puerto Morelos, Mexico
Co-host: UNAM

Coral disease

2025 Q2

Co-hosts: CEFAS (UK)

*Water quality: impacts and mitigation**

Jan 24 – 27, 2023
KAUST, Saudi Arabia
Co-host: AIMS

Natural Adaptation and Assisted Evolution of Corals

May 10-12, 2023
Oslo, Norway
Co-host: RevOcean

Cold Water Corals - Conservation and Restoration

March 12-14, 2024
Mombassa, Kenya
Co-host: UNEP

Coral R&D Leadership in Developing Countries

Roadmap and peer-reviewed publications underway (target=Q2 2025)

2025 Q1

Co-hosts: KCRI (KSA) and Coral Restoration Consortium (USA)

Emergency response planning for coral reefs

***Current motion for approval - $70k for Scoping Study – Water Quality: Impacts & Mitigation**

https://cordap.org/studies-roadmaps/

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CORDAP – Strategic Plan for 2022-2025

The plan:

- identifies how CORDAP will deliver the program,
- describes the approaches and types of projects it funds,
- focuses on the most pressing investment needs for directing the program over its first three years of operation, and
- presents areas where R&D roadmaps should be developed before significant investment.

CORDAP will invest in novel, early-phase ideas through to final proof-of-concept development and testing.

Available at https://cordap.org/wp-content/uploads/CORDAP-Strategic-Plan-2022-2025.pdf

NOTE: Use the project types and priority areas outlined in the call document (not those in the Strategic Plan), as they have been updated.

CORAL RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT ACCELERATOR PLATFORM

STRATEGIC PLAN 2022-2025

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CORDAP's Coral Local Innovation Program (CLIP): Objectives and Goals

- CORDAP will deliver:
    - technologies, methods, and processes that can be applied in conservation and restoration efforts across the world through existing national and international efforts.
    - innovation crucial to filling the significant gap between current and required global capabilities.
- Projects funded under this program are expected to lead to significant *discoveries, innovations, and improvements* over the current state-of-the-art.
- Proposals *transcending different disciplines and fields*, and *including end-users* in the research, design, and development of projects, are strongly encouraged- *identify suitable partners* and groups that can further develop and deploy the proposed technologies.

CORDAP's Coral Local Innovation Program (CLIP): Overview and Objectives

CLIP Overview

• **Purpose**: Supports innovative R&D projects for affordable coral conservation and restoration solutions in developing countries.
• **Focus**: Scalable, replicable solutions or significant R&D capacity building.
• **Project Scope**: Ranges from novel ideas to proof-of-concept development and testing.
• **Funding**: Grants up to **USD $100,000** for up to **two years**.
• **Eligibility**: Applicants from **Low and Middle-Income Countries (LMICs)** (OECD classified).

Objectives

• Develop **coral innovation research** and capacity in LMICs.
• Promote **local technology** and **innovative approaches** for coral conservation.
• Strengthen **local scientists, researchers, and organizations** in R&D activities.
• Address **critical knowledge gaps** in coral conservation and restoration.
• This program is also designed to enhance the integration of researchers from Low- and Middle-Income Countries (LMICs) into CORDAP initiatives.

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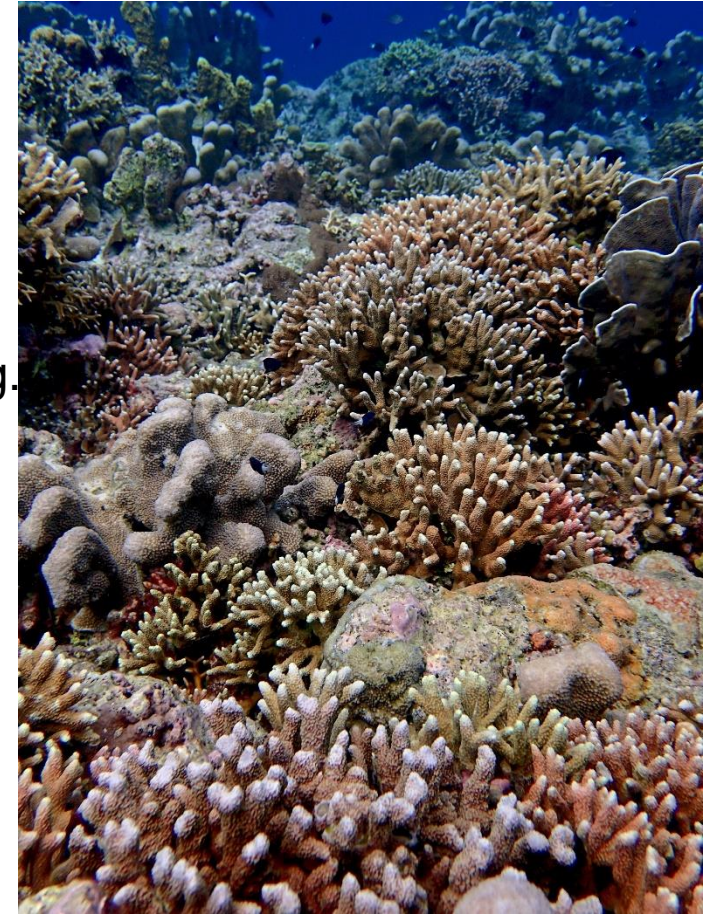
Important:

This call is specifically designed to fund researchers and teams from LMICs.

Use the OECD list➔

https://www.oecd.org/content/dam/oecd/en/topics/policy-sub-issues/oda-eligibility-and-conditions/DAC-List-of-ODA-Recipients-for-reporting-2024-25-flows.pdf

Note that "upper middle income" countries are eligible.

LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES	LOW INCOME COUNTRIES (per capita GNI <= $1,045 in 2020)	LOWER MIDDLE INCOME COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES (per capita GNI $1,046-$4,095 in 2020)	UPPER MIDDLE INCOME COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES (per capita GNI $4,096-$12,695 in 2020)
Afghanistan (L)	Democratic People's Republic of Korea	Algeria	Albania
Angola (LM)	Syrian Arab Republic	Belize	Argentina
Bangladesh (LM)		Bolivia	Armenia
Benin (LM)		Cabo Verde	Azerbaijan
Bhutan[1] (LM)		Cameroon	Belarus
Burkina Faso (L)		Congo	Bosnia and Herzegovina
Burundi (L)		Côte d'Ivoire	Botswana
Cambodia (LM)		Egypt	Brazil
Central African Republic (L)		El Salvador	China (People's Republic of)
Chad (L)		Eswatini	Colombia
Comoros (LM)		Ghana	Costa Rica
Democratic Republic of the Congo (L)		Honduras	Cuba
Djibouti (LM)		India	Dominica
Eritrea (L)		Indonesia	Dominican Republic
Ethiopia (L)		Iran	Ecuador
Gambia (L)		Kenya	Equatorial Guinea
Guinea (L)		Kyrgyzstan	Fiji
Guinea-Bissau (L)		Micronesia	Gabon
Haiti (LM)		Mongolia	Georgia
Kiribati (LM)		Morocco	Grenada
Lao People's Democratic Republic (LM)		Nicaragua	Guatemala
Lesotho (LM)		Nigeria	Guyana
Liberia (L)		Pakistan	Iraq
Madagascar (L)		Papua New Guinea	Jamaica
Malawi (L)		Philippines	Jordan
Mali (L)		Samoa	Kazakhstan
Mauritania (LM)		Sri Lanka	Kosovo
Mozambique (L)		Tajikistan	Lebanon
Myanmar (LM)		Tokelau*	Libya
Nepal (LM)		Tunisia	Malaysia
Niger (L)		Ukraine	Maldives
Rwanda (L)		Uzbekistan	Marshall Islands
Sao Tome and Principe[1] (LM)		Vanuatu	Mauritius
Senegal (LM)		Viet Nam	Mexico
Sierra Leone (L)		West Bank and Gaza Strip	Moldova
Solomon Islands[1] (LM)		Zimbabwe	Montenegro
Somalia (L)			Montserrat*
South Sudan (L)			Namibia
Sudan (L)			Nauru[2] (H)
Tanzania (LM)			Niue*
Timor-Leste (LM)			North Macedonia
Togo (L)			Palau
Tuvalu (UM)			Panama
Uganda (L)			Paraguay
Yemen (L)			Peru
Zambia (LM)			Saint Helena*
			Saint Lucia
			Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
			Serbia
			South Africa
			Suriname
			Thailand
			Tonga
			Turkey
			Turkmenistan
			Venezuela[3]
			Wallis and Futuna*

(1) General Assembly resolution A/73/L.40/Rev.1 adopted on 13 December 2018 decided that Bhutan will graduate five years after the adoption of the resolution, i.e. on 13 December 2023, and that São Tomé and Príncipe and Solomon Islands will graduate six years after the adoption of the resolution, i.e. on 13 December 2024.

(2) Nauru exceeded the high-income threshold in 2019 and 2020. In accordance with the DAC rules for revision of this List, if it remains a high income country until 2022, it will be proposed for graduation from the List in the 2023 review.

(3) Venezuela has been temporarily unclassified by the World Bank in July 2021 pending release of revised national accounts statistics. Estimated placement on the List.

*Countries and territories not classified in World Bank income groups. Estimated placement on the List.

Note: L, LM, UM and H shown after country names refer to the latest World Bank income classifications of: LDCs and any high-income countries that have not yet met the criteria for graduation. For the World Bank's current 2021 fiscal year, low-income (L) economies are defined as those with a GNI per capita, calculated using the World Bank Atlas method, of USD 1,045 or less in 2020; lower middle-income (LM) economies are those with a GNI per capita between USD 1,046 and USD 4,095; upper middle-income (UM) economies are those with a GNI per capita between USD 4,096 and USD 12,695; high-income (H) economies are those with a GNI per capita of USD 12,696 or more. The countries and territories within the classifications of 'Low Income Countries', 'Lower Middle Income Countries and Territories', and 'Upper Middle Income Countries and Territories' exclude those that are not LDCs.

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BETTER POLICIES FOR BETTER LIVES

CORDAP CLIP 2025 – Coral Local Innovation Program

The Small Grants Program/CLIP aims to advance coral innovation research, strengthen local capacity for conservation and restoration, promote technology development, and address key knowledge gaps in LMIC countries.

Based on the recommendation by SAC, a small grants program is being launched by the CORDAP PCN with the following features:

- Up to US$100K and up to 2 Years (Max Call Budget $1.5M)
- LMIC only Applicants
- Remit: R&D Areas covered by the CAP Program
- 1 Application per PI. Teams also eligible to apply
- Individuals from high income countries to be listed as unfunded collaborators
- CAP Lead applicants/grantees cannot apply
- CAP co-applicants/grantees can apply but need strong justification
- Standard LMIC indirect rate will apply (20%)
- All types of organizations are eligible- Applicant organizations must have been in existence for at least 2 full years. If funded, organizations may be requested to provide 2 years accounts.

Call docs/ Timeline/Review
- Call Document/Timeline/Eligibility/Review Process for this program are all available on https://cordap.org/clip-award/
- The *my*CORDAP online submission portal is the only available portal for proposal submission.

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CORDAP CLIP 2025– Key Dates

1. Launched on March 3r^d – CALL NOW OPEN

2. Call webinar – Mar. 18th - 3pm UTC

3. Proposal submission deadline: <u>April 18th 6pm UTC</u>

4. Anticipated funding notifications – July/Aug 2025

5. Award activation or Project start - From October 1st onwards

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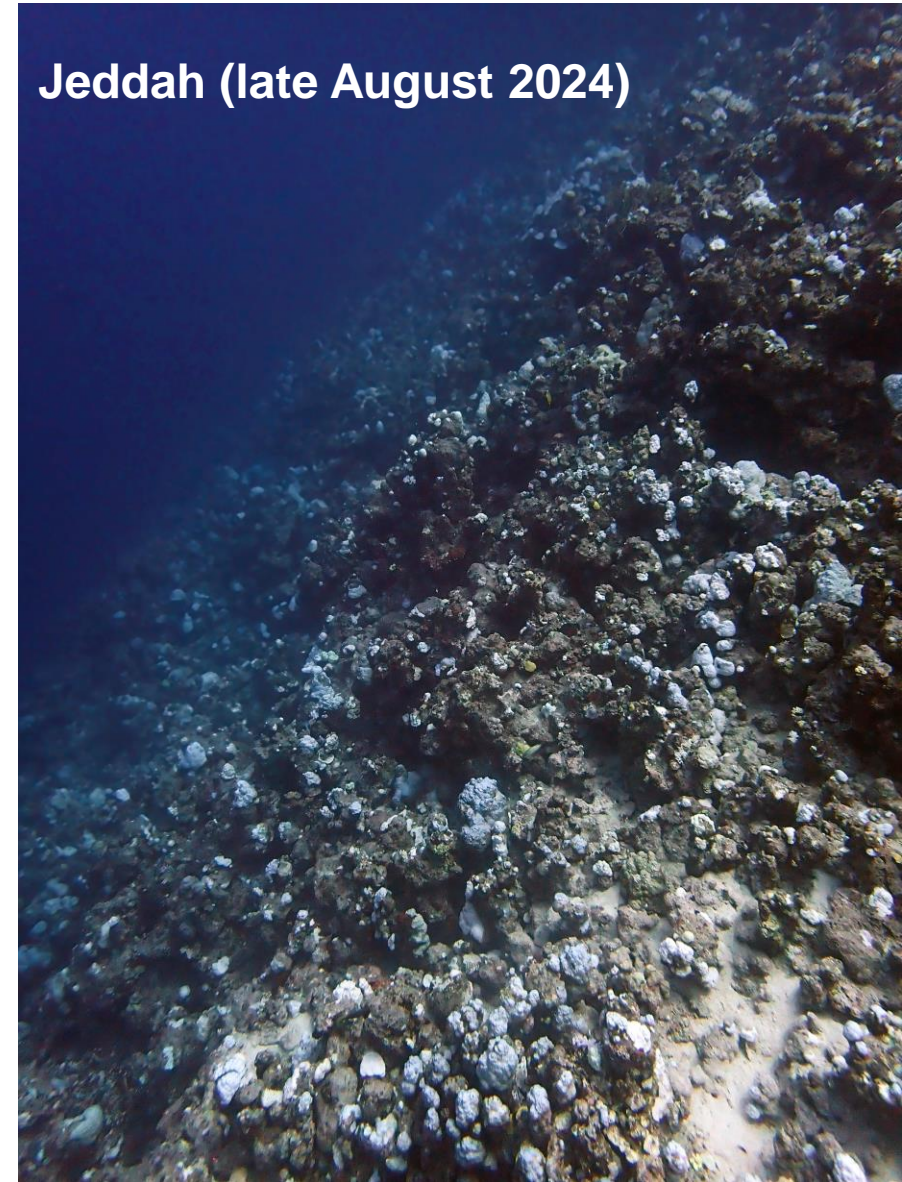
CORDAP CLIP – Project Types and Priority Areas

Call will support a wide range of project types:

- Novel R&D projects

- Improving or scaling up existing interventions

- Translational R&D

- Fundamental science to support implementation of interventions

- Capacity development+local innovation and implementation

CORDAP has also been organizing a range of workshops with wide participation on specific topics that require further investigation before targeted investment.

Priority Areas

1. Preservation and conservation of corals

2. Intervention planning, risk, and monitoring

3. Limiting mortality of early life stage corals

4. Methods to blend natural and artificial reef recovery

5. Developing country R&D methods

6. R&D capacity development

7. Assisted evolution of corals

8. Coral aquaculture

9. Cold-water corals

CAP funded Research themes

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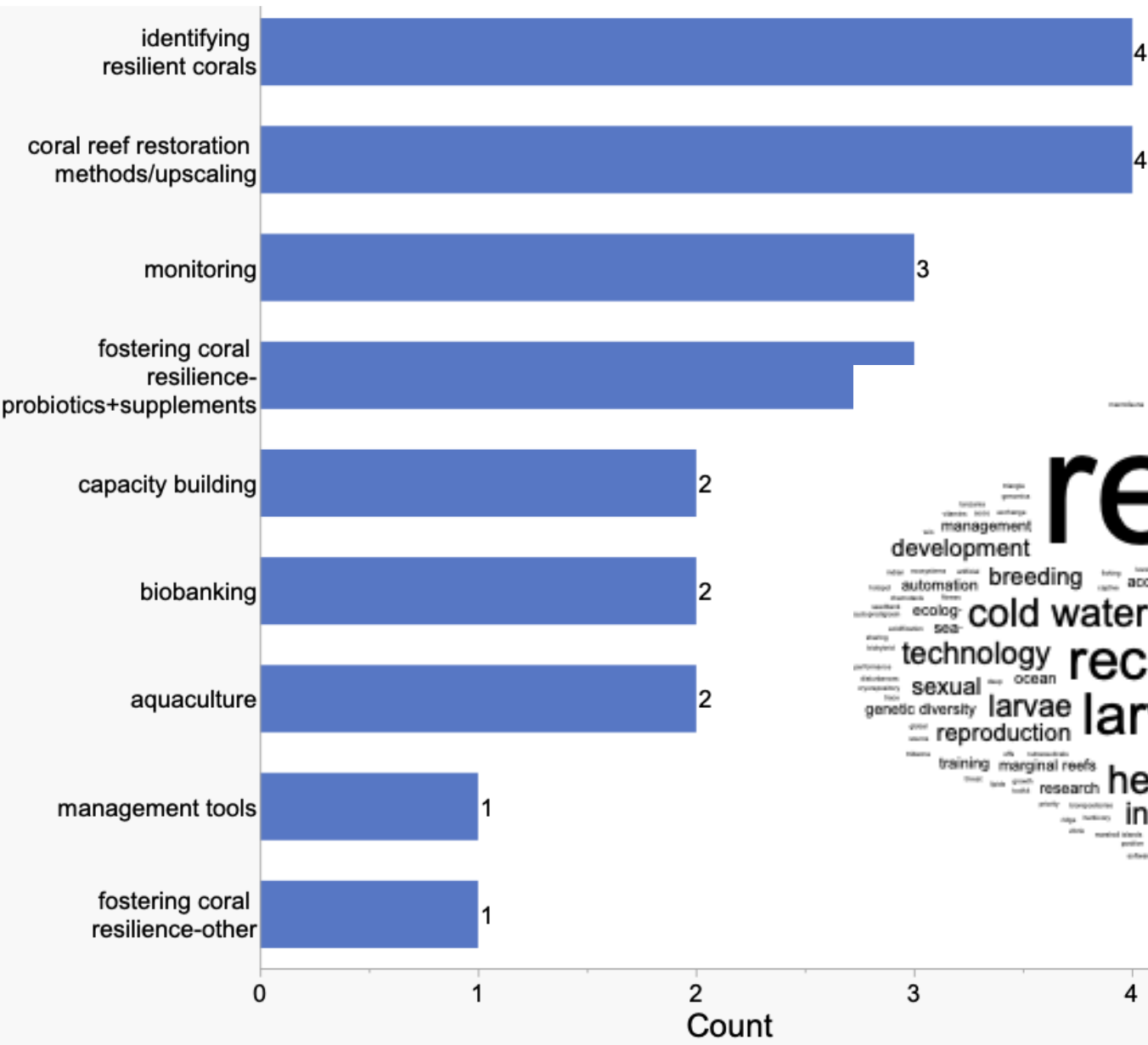
CLIP Eligibility

Individual application or partnership led :

- Partnerships are encouraged but not mandatory, and single-applicant proposals are eligible. Projects can involve multiple LMICs.).

- Each proposal must comprise of Lead applicant which **MUST** be or based from a low- or middle-income country (based on most current OECD list).

- All organization types are eligible (not-for-profit, for-profit, Gov, NGO, multilateral groups, etc.)-

- **Applicants receiving funding must have the authority and independence to run the project within their organization.**

- **See the FAQ document for further eligibility details**, but briefly:

  - An individual can only be Lead Applicant on one proposal and participate in up to a maximum of one additional proposal as Co-Applicant.

  - An organization can only be the lead institution on up to two proposals but can be a participating organization on multiple proposals.

  - If a for-profit organization wishes to submit as an applicant, then they must be willing to co-invest to the point that they are not making a profit.

  - CORDAP is unable to make grants directly to individuals.

  - There is no upper limit to the number of organizations in an application.

CORDAP Funding Policies

Intellectual property (IP)

- CORDAP does not seek to own any of the IP resulting from its funded activities. Ownership vests as agreed by the organizations collaborating on the project.

- Owners of IP resulting from CORDAP-funded activities must provide **a free license for all commercial and non-commercial coral conservation and/or restoration use,** including free license to any background IP upon which the project relies.

- CORDAP-funded developments and technologies should be made available and accessible at an *affordable* price to all coral conservation and restoration projects.

Open-access

- Publications, and underlying data, will be immediately, freely, and openly accessible to all.

- There should be no barriers to the re-use and dissemination of CORDAP-funded publications.

- CORDAP will pay necessary reasonable open-access publication fees (include in budget.).

- Data and software should be "Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, & Reusable (FAIR)."

- We are working on a web-based means of showcasing our funded protocols, technologies, and solutions ("Coral Solutions Hub").

What's in a proposal submission form?

A proposal is a statement of your project objectives, methodology, intended users, and estimated budget.

The narrative (4-page max.) will include an outline of:

- Background: What is the problem you are trying to solve and why is this important?
- How is it done today? What are the current limitations and what is new in your approach?
- Strategy and work plan, including risks to success, who will do what, milestones, and estimated timeline
- Expected outcomes: How will you know if the project is successful?
- Impact and pathway-to-impact: Who will use the outcomes and how will they use them? How scalable are your results and can they be transferred to other regions? Will they be affordable?
- Outline the intellectual property (IP) situation with the project: Does it rely on background IP? Is this background IP available and will it, and project IP, satisfy CORDAP IP policies?

Budget information is required for _all_ proposals.

The budget excel sheet is to be filled and uploaded on the myCORDAP portal

A justification towards budgetary allocations is to be provided in the relevant text box on online portal

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CLIP – Proposal Budget

The Lead Applicant/Lead Organization will receive the CORDAP funds for the entire consortium and has the responsibility of distributing the payments received from the granting authority to the co-applicants.

Indirect costs: The maximum total cost for indirect costs cannot be more than:

- 20% of the direct research costs for the applicant based in a low- or middle-income country

The following budget items are eligible costs but not eligible for *indirect costs* calculation: Equipment and capital expenditures over $5K, rental costs, student tuition fees, scholarships and fellowships, and external services.

It is important to note that CORDAP is a charitable entity, funded by voluntary contributions, and does not have the financial capacity to match the indirect cost rates that national science funders may pay to their awardees.

Cost-sharing: Leveraging CORDAP funding with cash and/or in-kind contributions to the project are very much encouraged but not mandatory. You can elaborate on this in the Budget Justification section.

*Please refer to our call document for additional details about eligible and ineligible costs

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Proposal Budget: Budget Template

CORDAP- Coral Local Innovation Program 2025 - Budget Template

Fill in required cells in green

Project Title :					
Lead Applicant:					
Lead Applicant Organization:					
Start Date:					

Project Total (Note: This table will autofill from the individual budget tables below)
Fill in only those tabels you require for number of applicants. If you require more tables contact us.

	Months 1-6	Months 7-12	Months 13-18	Months 19-24	Total
Project Direct Costs					
Personnel	0	0	0	0	0
Material and Consumables	0	0	0	0	0
Equipment	0	0	0	0	0
Travel	0	0	0	0	0
Other Costs	0	0	0	0	0
Capital Equipment (over $5,000)	0	0	0	0	0
Rental Costs	0	0	0	0	0
Student tuition fee, Scholarships	0	0	0	0	0
External Services	0	0	0	0	0
Total Indirect Costs	0	0	0	0	0
Project Total	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0

Complete cells in green shading, and the rest will autofill.

Fill in one table for each applicant/co-applicant requesting funding.

Lead Applicant:	**Country:**				
	Months 1-6	Months 7-12	Months 13-18	Months 19-24	Total
Project Direct Costs (USD)					
Personnel*	0	0		0	0
Material and Consumables*	0	0		0	0
Equipment (less than $5,000 unit cost)*	0	0		0	0
Travel*	0	0		0	0
Other Costs*	0	0		0	0
Capital Equipment (over $5,000 unit cost)**	0	0		0	0
Rental Costs**	0	0		0	0
Student tuition fee, Scholarships etc.**	0	0		0	0
External Services**	0	0		0	0
Indirect Cost Rate (Overhead) %	0				
Total Indirect Costs	0	0		0	0
Total	0	0		0	0

Co-Applicant:	**Country:**				
	Months 1-6	Months 7-12	Months 13-18	Months 19-24	Total
Project Direct Costs					
Personell*	0	0		0	0
Material and Consumables*	0	0		0	0
Equipment (less than $5,000 unit cost)*	0	0		0	0
Travel*	0	0		0	0
Other Costs*	0	0		0	0
Capital Equipment (over $5,000 unit cost)**	0	0		0	0
Rental Costs**	0	0		0	0
Student tuition fee, Scholarships etc.**	0	0		0	0
External Services**	0	0		0	0
Indirect Cost Rate (Overhead) %	0				
Total Indirect Costs	0	0		0	0
Total	0	0		0	0

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CAP – Proposal Budget

Budgets must be prepared using the supplied budget template: Excel file, with summary form-filled information.

Requested costs must be related to research and integrated educational activities directly related to the project.
There is a budget guidance sheet in the Excel file.

Equipment: It is expected that participating organizations will already be equipped to pursue their current research. Purchase of equipment essential for the proposed project is eligible. (renting is encouraged where cost-effective.)

    Capital Equipment (assets/equipment over US$5K): Not eligible for indirect cost calculation
- The proposed maximum allowable cost for any single unit of equipment is US$10,000.
- Sharing/Asset Ownership/plans after the award for large equipment requests.

Note: the type of equipment/materials requested, and their use, will be taken into account, for example laboratory equipment used simply to aid research vs. equipment and materials used to build novel prototypes.

Budget justification: Explain why items are essential in relation to the aims and methodology of the project as well as meeting the goals of the project. You should not merely restate the proposed expenditure. Detail provided should be commensurate with the amount of the requested line item. At application stage you are trying to demonstrate to the Review Panel that your costs are reasonable, necessary, and provide good value for the funding requested without the requirement of a lot of detail.

NOTE: The review panel will assess the submitted budget as part of the evaluation criteria.

CLIP – Reporting and Payment Schedule

- Many organizations, particularly in developing countries, may not have the resources to take on much of the project costs in advance.
  - This is reflected in the payment made upon signing the award contract.
  - **Upfront additional funding**: Applicants needing more funds upfront can request it in their budget with a strong justification.
- Payments are lump-sum payments annually upon receipt of an annual report.
- Any unspent funds must be returned to CORDAP at the end of the project.
- Brief interim updates/highlights are required at regular intervals (quarterly).

The payment schedule is outlined here

	Reporting Deliverable	1 Year Project	Up to 2 years
Upon agreement signing/before project start date		Up to 50% of Project total	Up to 40% of Project total
6 Months	Progress and Financial Reports	40% of Project total	Up to 20% of Project total
12 Months/End of Year 1	Final Progress and Financial Reports (1 Year Projects); Progress and Financial Reports (2 Year Projects)	Financial Reconciliation – Payment of remainder of project funds spent.	20% of Project Total
18 Months	Progress and Financial Reports	NA	
24 Months/End of Year 2	Final Progress and Financial Reports	NA	Financial Reconciliation – Payment of remainder of project funds spent.

Proposal Evaluation Criteria and Process

This is a one-stage submission and review process - The submission and review process proposed is one stage but hybrid process. There is only one submission stage, with all proposals receiving individual reviews from panel members.

All proposals received will be checked for compliance with the Funding Call criteria, policies, terms and conditions.

All applications will undergo international peer review followed by panel assessment

All proposals will be evaluated against the criteria below:

- Qualifications and track record of the applicant teams and applicant diversity
- Innovation or novelty of the idea
- Potential of the project to make step changes and be transformative in its field
- Targeted impact and pathway and timing to impact
- Alignment with nominated R&D investment themes or areas
- Management and coordination of the project
- Cost-effectiveness of the proposed project
- Broader impact and breadth of socioeconomic applicability

CORDAP will seek to fund a balanced and complementary portfolio of projects across the project type and priority areas to ensure a broad impact.

Review Criteria:

Review Criteria	Examples of the types of evidence we would expect to see.
Potential of the project to make significant changes, be transformational in its field.	An outline of where the field is now, and what transformation or change will this project deliver. Use metrics/measures of success to describe the level of impact.
Ability of the Applicant(s) to deliver the goals of the proposed project.	Relevant expertise and skills linked to project needs. Inclusion of stakeholders/end users/ affected community(ies) in the project development and activities.
Innovation or novelty of the idea	Why is this a new idea, how is it done today. Is it new globally or just in your location. Detail of how this is predominantly an R&D project with scalable and replicable outcomes.
Targeted impact and pathway and timing to impact	What else needs to occur before this R&D can create its full impact – what external aspects may affect it. Describe how the outcomes of the project could be scaled up. What could limit its ability to be scaled up. Reference to relevant part of CORDAP Technology Roadmap(s) where applicable.
Management, coordination, and cost effectiveness of the project	Clear project plan with well-defined milestones and accountability structure Are the requested resources and funds well justified and relevant. How will success be measured?
Analysis of project risks, and site selection process outlined	Outline of why the proposed deployment site and its local conditions are appropriate for this project. What are the risks and how can they be mitigated.
Broader impact and socioeconomic applicability.	Additional benefits or added value that this project will deliver.

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How do I apply?

- All applications are made through our online submission system – *my*CORDAP

- Only the Lead Applicant needs to register and complete the submission.

- There is a submission help document on the website, "**CLIP 2025 Submission Assistance**," which will guide you through each stage of registration and submission.
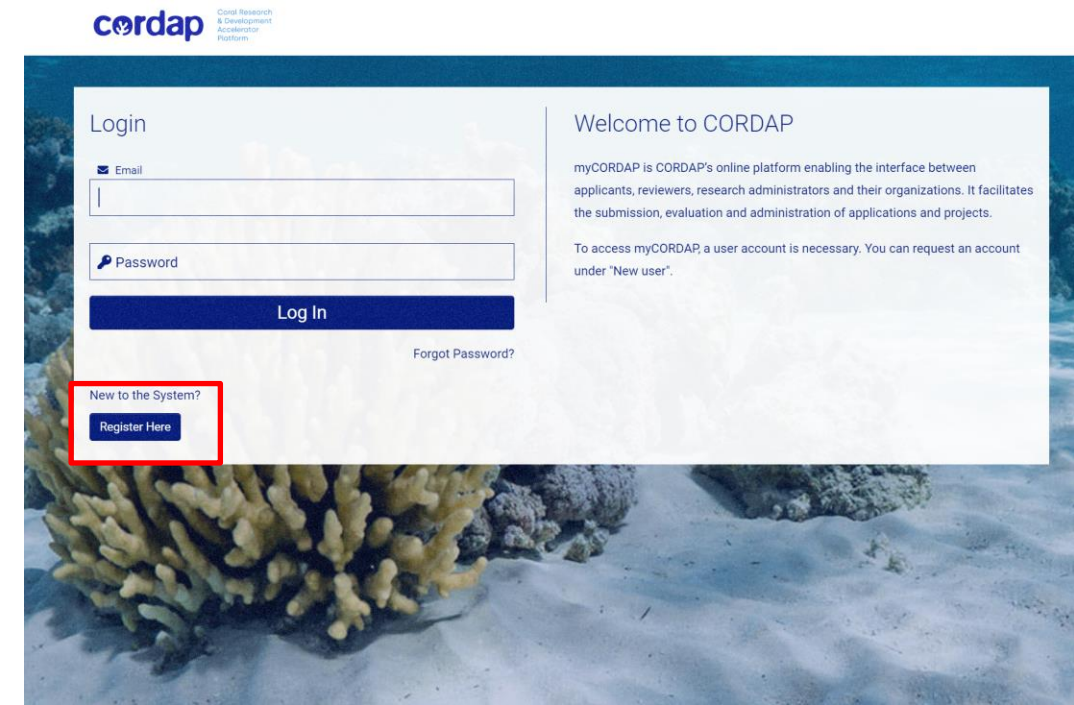
At the submission stage, there are only two documents you need to complete offline and upload:
- Proposal Submission Form Template
- Proposal Budget Template

The rest of the information is filled in directly on the *my*CORDAP system.

You can save a draft application, leave/log off, and return to complete at any time.
A "validate" function will check whether or not you have completed the required sections.
You can delete an application and start a new one.

Online submission of a proposal

Once you have registered, you will be directed to your applicant dashboard:

You will see "Funding opportunities" here.
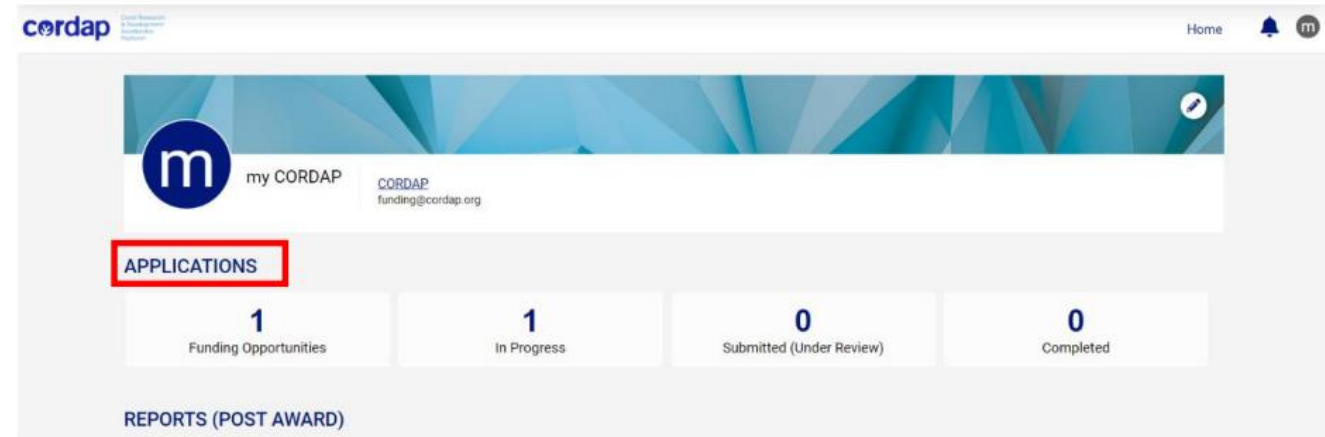
Before starting the application, you will be asked an eligibility question – ensuring you have the authority within your organization to independently manage the proposed project.

Online submission of a proposal

Online submission of a proposal – 7 Sections to complete

- **Contact Information**
  - This information will be pulled in from your registration.

- **Project Information**
  - Project Title
  - Abstract: The abstract should summarize the significance (need) of the work, the hypothesis and major objectives of the project, the procedures to be followed to accomplish the objectives, what solutions will the project provide and what will be specific outcomes and the potential impact of the work.

- **Team Summary -** Add co-applicant details here (co-applicant level only, or team lead/investigator level), more than one applicant can be entered from each participating organization if deemed at this level.

Online submission of a proposal – 7 Sections to complete

- **Budget & Justification**
  - Add high-level budget detail online, plus the budget justification.
  - Upload completed Excel file here.
  - Justification: Explain why items are essential in relation to the aims and methodology of the project as well as meeting the goals of the project.
    - You should not merely restate the proposed expenditures.
    - Details provided should be commensurate with the amount of the requested line item.
  - At the application stage you are trying to demonstrate to the Panel that your costs are reasonable, necessary, and provide good value for the funding requested without the requirement of a lot of detail.

- **Upload Proposal PDF:** Upload completed submission template here as a single file.

- Upload the Statement of Intent (**SOI**) document

  And finally - you can **Submit** when your application is complete.

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‹ CT INFORMATION   PROJECT INFORMATION   TEAM SUMMARY   **BUDGET & JUSTIFICATION**   UPLOAD PROPOSAL PDF   AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY   STATEMENT OF INTENT ›

≡ Budget Summary

* Amount Requested

Total amount requested will auto fill from the budget summary table after clicking on Save Draft button.

* Upload Full Proposal Budget (Using the template in the call for proposals, upload your proposal budget as a single XLS file, inclusive of Co-Applicant budget worksheets).

📄 Drop files here or browse files
Maximum file size: 2 GB | Maximum number of files: 1 | Allowed file types: XLSX, XLSM

* Justification (Please provide justification for the budget requested, please note that there is a 700 word limit).

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💾 Save Draft   ✓ Validate   ✓ Submit CLIP Application

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What makes a good proposal?

- Innovative with high potential for impact or transformative advances
- The solution is broadly applicable – not specific to your location or circumstances
- Demonstrated knowledge of the field - why is your idea better?
- All the required expertise for the project is covered
- Clearly states the problem, solution, approach, objectives, and work plan (if features multiple parts, bring ideas together to form a single coherent proposal)
- For translational/development projects – know what else is needed!
- Ambitious yet realistic – time frame/resources
- Good management of the project – address the risks!!

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If I want to apply, what should I do first?

- Develop your ideas – think about how the outputs of a successful project would be used; are users/stakeholders involved in developing the project?

- If there is more than one applicant – put the team together

- Are the ideas scalable and transferrable? Explore the risks.

- Develop a first draft ASAP – don't leave it until the last minute!

- All documentation/updates will be available at *cordap.org/clip-award/*

- Further queries can be sent to pcn@kaust.edu.sa

THANK YOU

Questions Welcome

Back Up Slides/
Additional Information

Members and Partners

Argentina
Australia
Canada
European Union
France
Germany
India

Indonesia
Japan
Mexico
Saudi Arabia (Chair)
South Africa
Turkey
United Kingdom
United States of America (Vice Chair)

Resourcing the R&D Programs

- Saudi Arabia has generously committed US$100M ($10M/Year for 10 years) as a founding contribution to the platform.

- KAUST funds the administration of the Platform – all donated funds go to projects!

- With a target of US $300M, CORDAP aims to raise and deploy an additional US$200M for research, development and pilot implementation of scalable, affordable solutions to coral restoration and survival.

- To do this, CORDAP will seek resourcing partnerships with

  - G20 and other states around the world to build on our founding commitment

  - Philanthropies, Foundations, Corporate and private funding sources

Coral research community can help significantly, using networks and contacts in ministries, organizations- more funding translates to more funding programs, more projects, bigger and quicker impact!

Consortium Agreement - NOTE: Not required at this stage – information for your organization

CORDAP makes the Award to the Lead Institution only.

Successful applicant organizations are required to sign a legally binding Consortium Agreement (amongst themselves) before funds are disbursed.

The Consortium Agreement sets the framework for a successful project implementation and is a private agreement between the participants to set out the rights and obligations amongst themselves. (It does NOT involve CORDAP.)

The Consortium Agreement details:

- Project implementation and division of tasks, internal organization, and management of the Consortium,

- Project budget and distribution of funding,

- Rules on rights and obligations related to background and results, as well as liability,

- IP management, exploitation and dissemination of results, and boilerplate provisions; duration, termination, communication, applicable law, and settlement of internal disputes, etc. must be addressed in the agreement.

- A CORDAP template Consortium Agreement for applicants to modify for their team has been made available.