

Notes for Completion of the Arctic Programme Eol Form

- The completed form plus description of the proposed research must not exceed 3 sides of A4, minimum font size 11 point.
- One Eol submission is required for each proposed project, to be submitted by the lead Principal Investigator. Projects that expect to be submitted as joint applications at the full proposal stage need only submit one Eol covering the whole project.
- Eols must be submitted as an email attachment in word format to arctic-pag@nerc.ac.uk by **16.00 on 29 July 2010**.

Section 1

- The details provided in this section will be published on the NERC website.
- Lead PI – communications about the Eol will be sent to the named individual.
- Co-Investigators – list all other eligible investigators involved.
- Institutions – list all NERC eligible institutions that will be involved.
- Project Partners – list all proposed and confirmed partners, if they will make a significant financial contribution to the project please indicate this.

Section 2

- Project Type – indicate Standard Grant or Consortium Grant. If consortium please justify why this type of approach is needed.
- Proposed Start Date – please give a realistic estimate considering staff recruitment and fieldwork planning limitations, earliest start is April 2011.
- Proposed Duration – in months up to 48 months.
- Proposed PDRAs/Project Studentships – list PDRAs posts and duration and number of project studentships to be requested.
- Estimated budget request – please provide a realistic estimate of the budget required to undertake the research proposed. Note that full proposals may vary from the figure given by up to 10%. Estimates should be presented at 100% FEC. Please breakdown the estimate into key headings if possible. Estimates should include the costs of accessing NERC and non-NERC facilities/logistics. Estimates should include the costs of project-specific impact activities. The maximum budget for a consortium proposal in this programme is £3 million (100% FEC). However if, and only in exceptional circumstances, the project outlined requires a higher level of funding to be viable and achieve its objectives, the budget presented in the Eol can exceed the stated limit. If a budget over £3 million is submitted at the Eol stage, detailed costing and a clear justification of resources also need to be provided in the Eol.

Section 3

- Fieldwork Planned - list proposed field sites/cruise locations and provide an indication of fieldwork/cruise duration, timing by season(s), year(s), party size and activities involved.
- Facilities/Logistics required - indications of need for NERC or international ship or aircraft use and justification for facility requested, access to assets such as Autosub or Isis, access to Navy submarines, access to vehicles such as ATV's, skidoos, Snowcats, etc. and to small boats. Also requirements for sea-ice camps, tents, access to field huts/field station, requirements for establishment of fuel depots. Is there any science engineering support required to construct field equipment?
- Ethical or Environmental Issues - outline any issues likely to arise. Please note that work in the Canadian Arctic will need permits from the Nunavut Research Institute who will make their own ethical and environmental impact assessments.

Section 4

- Relationship to Objectives/Science Topics – please refer to the Arctic Programme [Science Plan](#) and use Objective and Topic numbers.
- Proposed Deliverables – please refer to the Arctic Programme [Science Plan](#) for key deliverables types sought by the programme.
- Description of the proposed research – please describe why the work is strategically important, the key research objectives and how these will be achieved. Up to 4000 characters is allowed, this section need not be completed in the table format.

Contacts

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