Global Issues – Integrating Different Perspectives on Social Inequality
Frequently Asked Questions

• How do you distinguish between “High Income countries“ and “Low and Middle Income Countries”?
We use the World Bank classification: https://datahelpdesk.worldbank.org/knowledgebase/articles/906519

• How do you categorize “Upper-Middle Income Countries”?
We merely distinguish between two categories “High Income Countries” and “Low and Middle Income Countries”. All “middle income countries” (classified as such by the World Bank) fall under the second category, no matter whether they are lower or upper middle income countries.

• The information for applicants states that it invites applicants “preferably in one of the countries where one of the cooperating Foundations is located” – Does this mean someone from or currently based in Denmark, Germany, Italy, or Sweden has to be part of the team?
In general, any cooperation involving someone from a European HIC can receive funding. However, some of the participating foundations can only grant funds to consortia that involve someone from (or based in) their “home country”.

• We plan a network of three partners with two partners based in the same Low Income Country (LIC). Is such a network seen as a bilateral partnership?
A consortium making up a “bilateral partnership” (both in terms of cooperating countries, as well as PIs involved in the project) must be very well justified; they are only accepted if new connections and networks are established, rather than existing ones strengthened. We would strongly encourage you to seek another partner from a different LMIC rather than involving merely two partners from the same LIC; bringing together various partners from different countries (in general a minimum of three) is really the idea behind this call.

• Could an institution located in the UK be counted as European for the purposes of this call?
Yes, the UK institution can be counted as the European institution under this call.

• Is it possible for someone based at a university in a High Income Country outside Europe to apply?
Yes, researchers based at universities in a High Income Country (classified as such by the World Bank) outside Europe can be part of this call. However, this important stipulation from the “information for applicants” needs to be met: “Each team may consist of up to five partners, consisting of (at least) one based in a European HIC and two based in LMICs. The number of partners in LMICs has to at least match (or outnumber) those in HICs.”
• **What is the deadline for submitting applications?**
  Pre-proposals must be submitted by 30 October 2018, by midnight Central European Time. Late submissions cannot be considered.

• **Is nationality a relevant category when applying for funding?**
  No, it is not. Anyone can apply if they are based in a country relevant to the respective call as long as the criteria of the specific call are met. Every applicant must at least hold a PhD (or have equivalent academic experience) and must be affiliated to an academic institution.

• **Do the Foundations offer any help in finding academic partners?**
  No, the responsibility for finding potential partners lies with the researchers.