

CALL FOR RESEARCH PROJECTS

LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN AT THE CROSSROADS OF INFORMALITY AND
DIGITALIZATION

Frequently Asked Questions

What language should be used for the research proposal?

Proposals may be submitted in English or Spanish

Can I present a proposal as a solo researcher, or without an institutional affiliation?

Yes, you can.

Do I need to submit additional documents besides the research proposal? Any forms? Institutional information?

We only require that you fill in the online form using the provided [link](#). In that form, we request the following three documents: (i) research proposal; (ii) research team (full name, affiliation, and contact details of every author). Please review the "important information" section of the call.

Is there a limit on the number of proposals per applicant? Is there a limit on the number of researchers per proposal? Is there any condition researchers should meet to take part in the proposal? Can we submit a proposal as an institution?

There are no limits on the number of proposals per applicant. In addition, there are no restrictions on the composition of research teams. Proposals may be submitted individually, as a team or through an institution (public, private, etc.).

In case of being awarded the research grant, how will you deliver the funding?

If your proposal is selected, we will establish a consultancy contract between CAF and any one member of your team (or institution). The funds will be delivered through bank transfer to the bank account of the person or legal entity that signs the contract.

Is this call open to institutions from countries outside of Latin America?

Yes, it is.

Is there any disadvantage if the applicant does not belong to a country member of CAF?

No.

Do I need to submit a detailed budget on how I will allocate the funds?

No, we do not ask for a detailed budget. If your proposal is selected, you will have free disposal of the funds provided.

What should the proposal include?

The proposal should clearly state the research question, its relevance, the contribution to the literature and the proposed data sources. We are hoping to receive a detailed proposed methodology that meets the highest academic standards.

What is the required format for the proposal?

The main document covering the proposal can have **1,500 words at most**, counting every word except for bibliography. All three required documents must be uploaded in pdf format. There are no additional format requirements.

Evaluation criteria

Projects will be evaluated in terms of their relevance for the call's topics and their academic rigor.

May I submit the resulting research paper for publication in academic journals?

If your proposal is selected, your paper will be included in the CAF Working Paper series. This does not preclude researchers of submitting their paper for publication in academic journals or any other platforms **afterwards** (we appreciate your acknowledgments to CAF for the awarded funds). The authors maintain copyright ownership over their research.