## **The Belmont Forum**

Climate, Environment and Health Responders for the Americas
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## The Belmont Challenge

Support international transdisciplinary research providing knowledge for understanding, mitigating and adapting to global environmental change.

- A transdisciplinary approach enabling inputs and scoping across scientific and non-scientific stakeholder communities and, facilitating a systemic way of addressing a challenge.
- Collaboration across scientific disciplines, especially those between natural, human and social sciences, and between geographical areas
- Special emphasis on enhancing scientific capacity and excellency in developing countries
- Improved and flexible mechanisms for major transnational funding that overcome current constraints to cross-border support while respecting national requirements and statutes.



# **Belmont Forum Collaborative Research Actions** (CRAs)

Guided by the <u>Belmont Challenge</u> to understand, mitigate and adapt to global environmental change

**Mission**: Accelerate delivery of the environmental research needed to remove critical barriers to sustainability by aligning & mobilizoing international resources

Collaborative Research Actions (CRAs): address societally relevant challenges through transdisciplinary research approaches

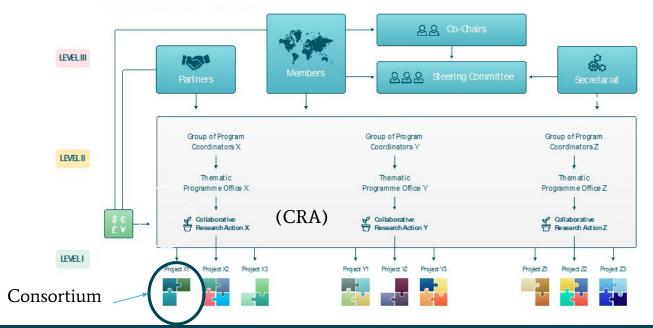
BELMONT FORUM MODEL:





#### **The Belmont Forum Structure**

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#### **Belmont Forum Requirements**



**Reminder:** Eligibility requirements vary from call to call. Please refer to individual CRA call text for specific requirements.

- •Collaborators from <u>at least three different</u> <u>countries</u> requesting from at least <u>three funding</u> <u>agencies</u>
- •<u>Transdisciplinary</u> including natural and social scientists and <u>stakeholders</u>
- •Meaningful <u>co-production</u>/participatory approaches/co-development/co-implementation
- •Researchers from countries not listed in the CRA call text must bring their own funding or provide in-kind contribution.



#### Benefits of working through the Belmont Forum **Process**

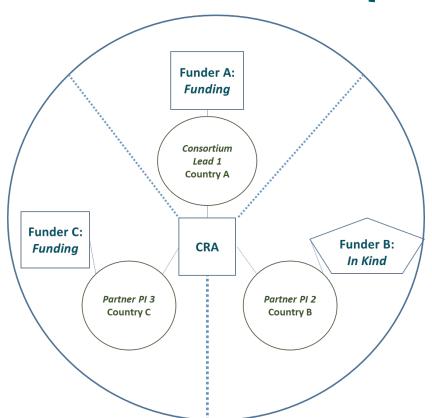
- Trusted collaborative process tested by over 150 members and funders through 19 CRAs over the last 12 years BFgo.org
- Single point of entry for proposal submission: BFGo -
- One agreed upon, collaborative and transdisciplinary review process
- Transdisciplinary community building process
- Convening of the border TD and Belmont Forum community in collaboration with Future Earth at the annual Sustainability Research and Innovation Congress (SRI Congress)



# **Building you Belmont Forum Project Consortium**



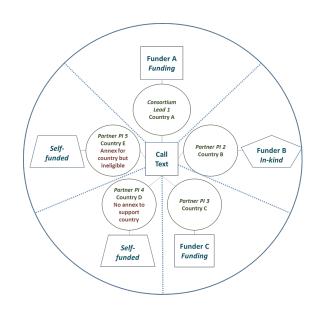
## **Belmont Forum Consortium Requirements**





#### What to look for in Annexes

- Countries Supported
- Type of participant eligible for each annex
- Funding or in-kind contributions
- Maximum funding that can be requested
- Divide maximum funding
- Duration for each annex
- Where to submit proposal: BFgo, our grant management system, and others
- Stipulations for number of researchers in consortium
- Currency
- GPC point of contact







#### GPC Representative: Anna Stewart; astewart@dir.iai.int

Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC):
Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil (excluding São
Paulo), Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica,
Dominican Republic, Ecuador,
Guatemala, Jamaica, Mexico, Panama,
Paraguay, Peru, and Uruguay



- Providing three years of funding or in-kind support. Consortia that include 1 eligible country could apply for up to \$50,000 USD. Consortia that include two countries could apply for up to \$100,000 USD. Consortia that include 3 or more eligible countries could apply for a maximum of \$150,000 USD. The maximum total budget request to IAI by a single consortium must not exceed 150,000 USD including indirect costs.
- Can also request in-kind support instead of funding.
- Teams led by individuals who are members of groups that have been historically underrepresented in the sciences are encouraged to apply.
- IAI funded researchers may be listed as either Lead PI or Co-PI (Partner PI) on 1 proposal. Researchers can be listed as Senior Personnel on up to 2 proposals.





## **Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) Plan**

"Teams must also include an equity, diversity and inclusion (EDI) plan in their proposal to explain how they will mainstream considerations of EDI in the composition of the research team and in the research activities."



#### **IAI Policies**

"All applications should align with the IAI's policies, strategic plan and science agenda:"

- Strategic Plan
- Science Agenda
- Open Data Policy
- Gender Policy
- <u>Conflicts of Interest and Standards of Ethical</u>
   <u>Conduct</u>



#### **IAI EDI Policy**

Ensure EDI, including gender considerations, is mainstreamed in IAI science projects and capacity-building activities and that EDI activities are aligned with those of IAI Parties.

Facilitate the full and equitable participation of underrepresented groups in activities of the IAI, particularly those focused on science and capacity building, while also taking into account issues related to gender.

Support regional efforts to develop the highest quality science and improve the capacity of governments to develop public policy relevant to global change.



#### **Register for Belmont Forum Communications**

#### Connect with the Forum

Connect with the Belmont Forum through its social media channels and mailing list, join the international community, or write to us at our headquarters address.

#### Social Media

Follow the Belmont Forum. Awardees and staff at member or partner organizations are encouraged to add the Belmont Forum to their social media profiles.









#### **Mailing List**

Complete the form below to receive the Belmont Forum's newsletter and notifications about new funding opportunities. The Connect List provides monthly updates on current calls, funded projects and other related activities. Awardees and staff at member or partner organizations should join the appropriate communications list below and are encouraged to provide Twitter and LinkedIn information (so we can follow or connect with you). All fields are optional unless starred.







#### Join us at SRI 2023 in Panama!



## Call is Now Open for Contributions to #SRI2023

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