



SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION GRANT INITIATIVE FOR EASTERN AFRICA  
Cooperation Grant Initiative (CGI)

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**First Open Call for Proposals for Competitive Research Grant**

**1.0 Summary**

**Theme:** Manufacturing Sector in East African Community (EAC)

**Focus:** Regional Processing

**Grant Category:** Research Grant

**Eligible applicants:** Scientists, researchers and innovators from Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda.

**Partners per project:** Four (4) researchers from the four participating countries (one researcher per country).

**Grant period:** Up to 18 months (2018-2019)

**Grant amount per project:** Maximum of USD 120,000.00

**Deadline for Submission of Proposals:** July 22nd 2018

**Publication of award for successful proposals:** Mid-August 2018

**2.0 Background**

The East African Science and Technology Commission (EASTECO), Uganda National Council for Science and Technology (UNCST), National Research Fund, Kenya (NRF), the National Council of Science and Technology, Rwanda (NCST), Tanzania Commission for Science and Technology (COSTECH), the African Centre for Technology Studies (ACTS) and the Science, Technology and Innovation Policy Research Organization (STIPRO) are collaborating under the Science Granting Councils Initiative (SGCI) in sub-Saharan Africa to fund research in Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda. The initiative is jointly funded by the United Kingdom's Department for International Development (DFID), Canada's International Development Research Centre (IDRC), and South Africa's National Research Foundation (NRF).

**3.0 Call for Proposals**

The SGCI is pleased to announce the call for proposals for the First Cooperation Grant Initiative 2018. The theme for this call is manufacturing, and the focus is on Regional Processing. The goal this call is to stimulate growth in manufacturing sector, focusing on regional processing, through collaborative research that leads to development of products for enhanced economic development of the region. The objectives of the initiative are:

- i. To support knowledge exchange between research institutions and private sector;
- ii. To strengthen partnerships between Science Granting Councils and other science system actors.

The grant supports a regional, multi-sectoral and multi-disciplinary research projects. Joint regional, multi-sectoral and multi-disciplinary teams of researchers from Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda are eligible to apply. Members of project consortium shall comprise representatives of the academia, research institutions and industry. It is the responsibility of researchers to find partners from each of the collaborating countries without which a proposal will not be considered.

Proposals shall be submitted through the following E-mail: [cgi@easteco.org](mailto:cgi@easteco.org)

For further information, please visit the website: <https://easteco.org/cooperative-grants-initiative/>



