**Closing Date 7 August *2020 at 24:00***

1. **INFORMATION ON APPLICANT(S)**

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| **Project Name** | |  |
| **Name of Applicant / Entity** | |  |
| **Location** | **Street Address** |  |
| **City / Town** |  |
| **Municipality** |  |
| **Province** |  |
| **Contact Details** | **Name of Person** |  |
| **Position** |  |
| **Tel / Cell No.** |  |
| **Email** |  |
| **Official registration number of applicant**  *(complete whichever is applicable)* | **ID Number** |  |
| **CSD Number** |  |
| **CIPC Number** |  |
| **VAT Number** |  |
| **Are you a beneficiary of TIA, Newton Fund Alumni or Black Business Council?** | |  |
| **Which instrument in the above institutions have you been supported through?** | |  |
| **Where do you plan to implement and/ or roll out your proposed solution/technology (specify the area/s and provide reasons for the choice of the area/s)** | |  |

1. **INFORMATION ON INNOVATIVE SOLUTION / TECHNOLOGY**

*Please provide concise responses to each of the questions below.*

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| * 1. **What problem/opportunity does the innovative solution or technology aim to solve/exploit?** |
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| * 1. **Describe your proposed innovative solution or technology and how it will address the problem/opportunity stated above** |
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| * 1. **Describe at what stage of development is the innovative solution or technology (*?*** |
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| * 1. **Explain what further innovation is required to develop your innovative solution or technology in order to market it to potential clients?** |
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| **2.5 Which challenge theme of the Call are you responding to?** |
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| **2.6 Have you identified a UK based technology that you would like to deploy as a new enterprise/ expand an existing practice (Provide full details)** |
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| **2.7 If your response to 2.6 is NO, what type of UK technology solution are you interested in?** |
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1. **INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY (in terms of your current solution)**

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| * 1. **Is the solution or technology new or novel? Please elaborate…** | | |
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| * 1. **Describe all existing IP relevant to this solution/technology, indicate ownership of the IP and any relevant information on registration of the IP** | | |
| **Description** | **Ownership** | **Registration** |
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1. **COMMERCIAL**

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| * 1. **Describe and list who the intended customers and/or end-user of your innovative product / service will be.** |
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| * 1. **Why will customers pay for your innovative product / service when compared to the existing product / service?** |
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| * 1. **Describe how your solution will be enhanced/expanded through the SOFI Programme?** |
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| * 1. **Describe the potential social and/or economic value of the solution / technology and how you intend expanding/ creating a new enterprise in a rural/township context.** |
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1. **PROJECT TEAM**

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| * 1. **List the core team members, their area of expertise and role in the project** | | | | | | | |
| **Name of Team Member** | **Gender (M/F)** | **Race** | **Disabled**  **(Y/N)** | **Youth (<35yrs)**  **(Y/N)** | **Institution / Affiliation** | **Area of Expertise** | **Role in Project** |
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| * 1. **What skills / expertise are you missing on the team and how will you fill the gaps** | | | | | | | |
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| **5.3 Track record of the team members and/ of the enterprise (if existing)** | | | | | | | |
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1. **EXPERIENCE OF WORKING IN LOW INCOME COMMUNITIES**

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| * 1. **Tell us about any relevant experience your organisation has with working with under-served or low income communities to create positive impact.** |
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| * 1. **If you have no experience, explain why you are interested in this now?** |
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1. **ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

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| * 1. **Any additional information/motivation that will support your application.** |
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1. **DECLARATION**

I declare that:

* I am duly authorised by the organisation or Consortium, as applicable, named in this application to complete this form and to sign and submit this declaration, and in doing so the organisation or Consortium, as applicable, is bound by this declaration.
* The organisation or Consortium has familiarised itself with the Intellectual Property Rights from Publicly Financed Research and Development Act, 2008 (Act 51 of 2008) and understands the implication of this Act on intellectual property derived from projects funded by TIA.
* I am aware that there may be further information required by TIA in respect of this application, and that my failure to provide requested information timeously may lead to a rejection of this application.
* I authorise TIA to utilise external experts and advisers as part of the application evaluation process, under suitable non-disclosure agreements, as TIA deems appropriate.
* I am aware that there may be further information required by TIA in respect of this statement of interest. Failure to submit additional information as requested by TIA in this regard may result in my expression of interest not being considered for funding.
* The information contained in this statement of interest is to the best of my knowledge true, accurate and complete. TIA reserves the right to not consider this expression of interest if the information is found to be false, and where instances of fraud are detected.

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| **Full Name** |  | **RSA ID No:** |
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| **Signature** |  | **Date** |