

FIELDWORK GRANTS – CALL FOR APPLICATION

IFRA-Nairobi invites applications for fieldwork grants to support Masters, PhD and postdoc students who conduct research in social sciences and humanities in the East African region (Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Burundi, Rwanda, and Eastern Congo).

IFRA will prioritize support to the following research themes:

- Elections in East Africa: Tanzania 2020, Kenya 2022
- Workers, Labour and Employment
- Refugees and the Humanitarian Governance
- Music, Art, Culture, and Heritage
- Decolonizing African Studies: Thinkers, Practitioners and Practices
- Gender and LGBT in Words and in Practice
- African Socialism, Pan-Africanism, and (Sub-)National Imaginaries
- The African City: Urban Inequality, Social (In-)Justice, and Slum Politics
- The Social and Political Impact of the COVID-19 Epidemic

Beyond these priority research themes, grants may be given to non-priority project proposals when considered academically relevant.

Kindly send your application forms to info@ifra-nairobi.net by **September 7th, 2020**.
Feedback to all applications will be made shortly thereafter.

Applications can be submitted in English or French and comprise the following documents:

- A **cover letter** of about 2 pages including a summary of the project in 10-15 lines and explaining your profile, why you need financial support and if you already have support from other institutions and for how much;
- A detailed **curriculum vitae**, including relevant **publications**;
- A **research project proposal** of max 4 pages with the detailed project proposal, methodology that will be used and elements about the fieldwork time frame and location.

Additional information:

- *About the grant*: Grants offered are not subject to taxes, and do not include open rights to social security. They are awarded as contributions towards actual research costs and do not include institutional overheads or stipends for applicants;
- *Conditions of support*: It is mandatory to be registered and/or attached to a university or research unit as well as to mention other sources of funding;
- *Deliverables*: Grants beneficiaries will be requested to provide a working paper or an academic article that might be published through IFRA after peer-review. They might also be offered the opportunity to present the results of their work in a seminar or conference;
- *Advice to applicants*: IFRA's research funding is competitive as we receive more applications than what we can fund. Your application must state in a clear and compelling way its relevance and interest for research in East Africa and its possible contribution to IFRA's main programs.