The New Frontiers in Research Fund Special Call: Research for Post-pandemic Recovery is now open.

The goal of this Special Call is to mobilize interdisciplinary, Canadian-led research efforts in support of a more equitable, sustainable and resilient post-pandemic reality. It will support a diverse portfolio of projects that directly address one or more of the research priorities outlined in the UN Research Roadmap for the COVID-19 Recovery, including any of the UN’s priorities and sub-priorities, including but not limited to the “quick-win”, “best-buy” and “game-changer” priorities.

Value:

- Up to $250,000 per year for two years, including indirect costs

Sponsor deadlines:

Notice of Intent

- Internal deadline (MRA due): April 19, 2022
- Sponsor deadline: April 26, 2022

Full Application

- Internal deadline: August 2, 2022
- Sponsor deadline: August 9, 2022
Eligibility and requirements:

- Projects are required to be interdisciplinary, meaning they must combine elements from at least two different disciplines (as defined by a group-level classification based on the Canadian Research and Development Classification). Projects are not required to cross the mandates of more than one federal research funding agency.

- Proposals must be submitted by research teams composed of at least two individuals: a nominated principal investigator (NPI) and either a co-principal investigator (co-PI) or a co-applicant.

- All project teams must include among the principal investigators (NPI or co-PI) at least one expert in social, economic, or socio-economic research and/or implementation science.

- Given the global focus of the UN Roadmap, research teams are expected to include international members, and the inclusion of team members from lower-middle or lower-income countries is strongly encouraged (with potential exceptions for projects that address a uniquely Canadian context).

- Projects are expected to demonstrate community engagement and partnership, as appropriate, to ensure that research findings have tangible outcomes.

- National, international and cross-sector (private, public or other) collaborations are encouraged.

- Individuals may participate in only one application to this competition as an NPI, co-PI or co-applicant.

For more information, including internal deadlines and resources, please consult the VPRI funding opportunities page or contact Steven Hermans, Partnerships Development Officer, steven.hermans@utoronto.ca.