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To: All Faculty of Makerere University and their External Research Collaborators  
All Principals, Deans, Directors, Heads of Department

**CIRCULAR: ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE RIF ROUND-4 CALL FOR NEW PROPOSALS**

The Government of the Republic of Uganda has committed a special Research and Innovation Fund (RIF) to Makerere University to the tune of 30 Billion Uganda Shillings per year to support the implementation of high impact Research and Innovations that contribute substantially to accelerating national development. In line with this, Makerere University anticipates to receive more funding in the next financial year (2022/2023).

This communication serves to launch the call for proposals for the **RIF Round 4, Track 1: New Research & Innovation Agenda-based Grants**. The Round 4, Track 1 Grants will specifically target research and innovation ideas that align with priority thematic issues in the RIF's instructive Research Agenda that arose from the Grants Management Committee's consultation of stakeholders from all key sectors in Uganda's economy as well as the national budget priorities for the Financial Year.

The call officially opens at midday, Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2022 and will run until 11.59pm, Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2022. The grant guidelines and application form are available at the RIF Portal: <http://rif.mak.ac.ug>. Please refer to the detailed grant guidelines for the timeline of key activities related to this grant call, which includes various researcher support activities. Questions and clarifications can be sent to the RIF Secretariat through the email: [info@rif.mak.ac.ug](mailto:info@rif.mak.ac.ug).

We thank you for your continued support and we look forward to your continued contribution to our country's development through research, as We Build for the Future and celebrate Mak@100!

Sincerely,

Prof. Fred Masagazi Masaazi  
Chairperson, MakRIF Grants Management Committee

cc. The Vice Chancellor  
cc. The DVC Academic Affairs  
cc. The Ag. DVC Finance and Administration  
cc. The University Secretary  
cc. The University Bursar



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