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# UK funding for research with partners in Brazil

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# Sources of money

- Global Challenge Research Fund (GCRF)
- Newton Fund
- British Council
- Belmont Forum
- Research Councils UK (RCUK)



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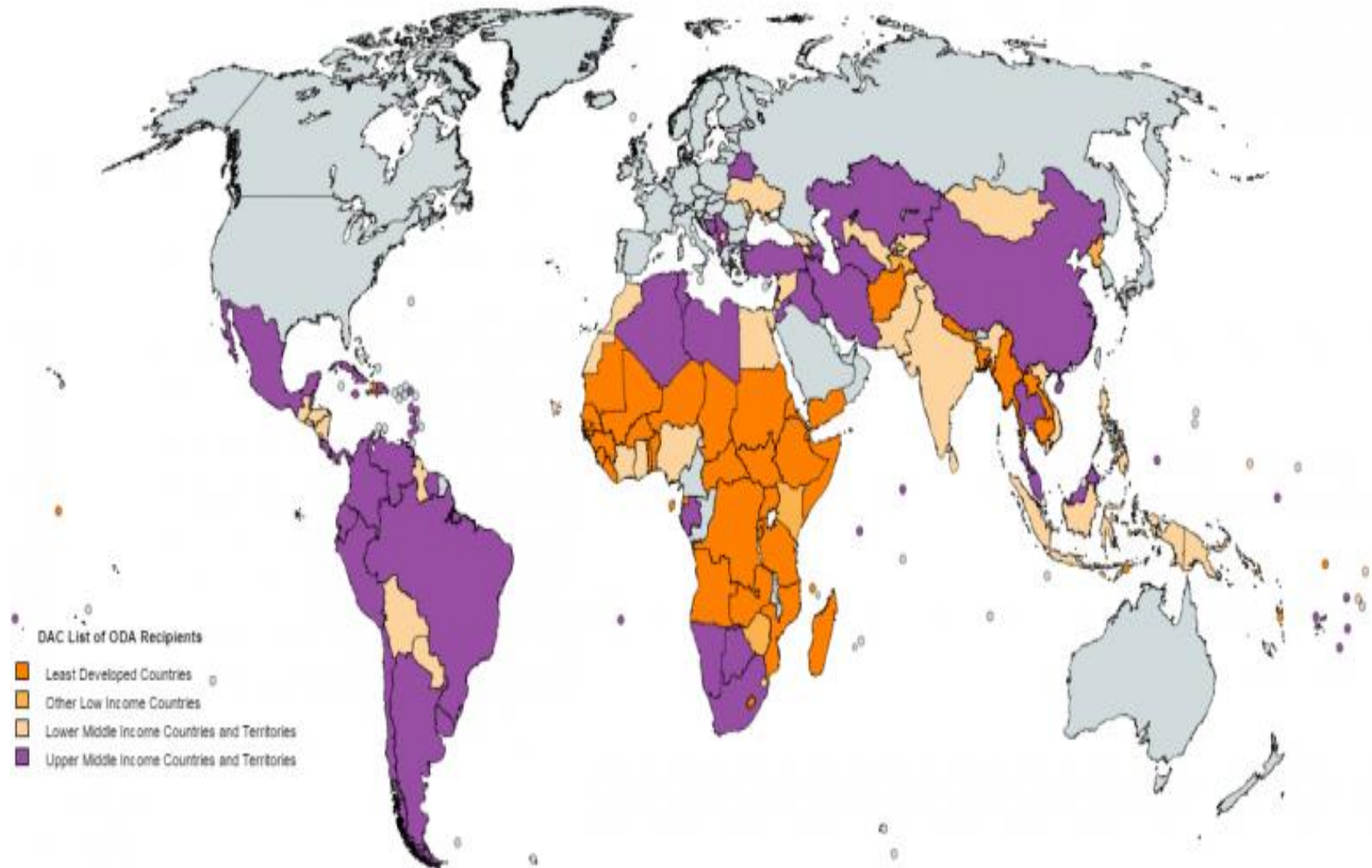


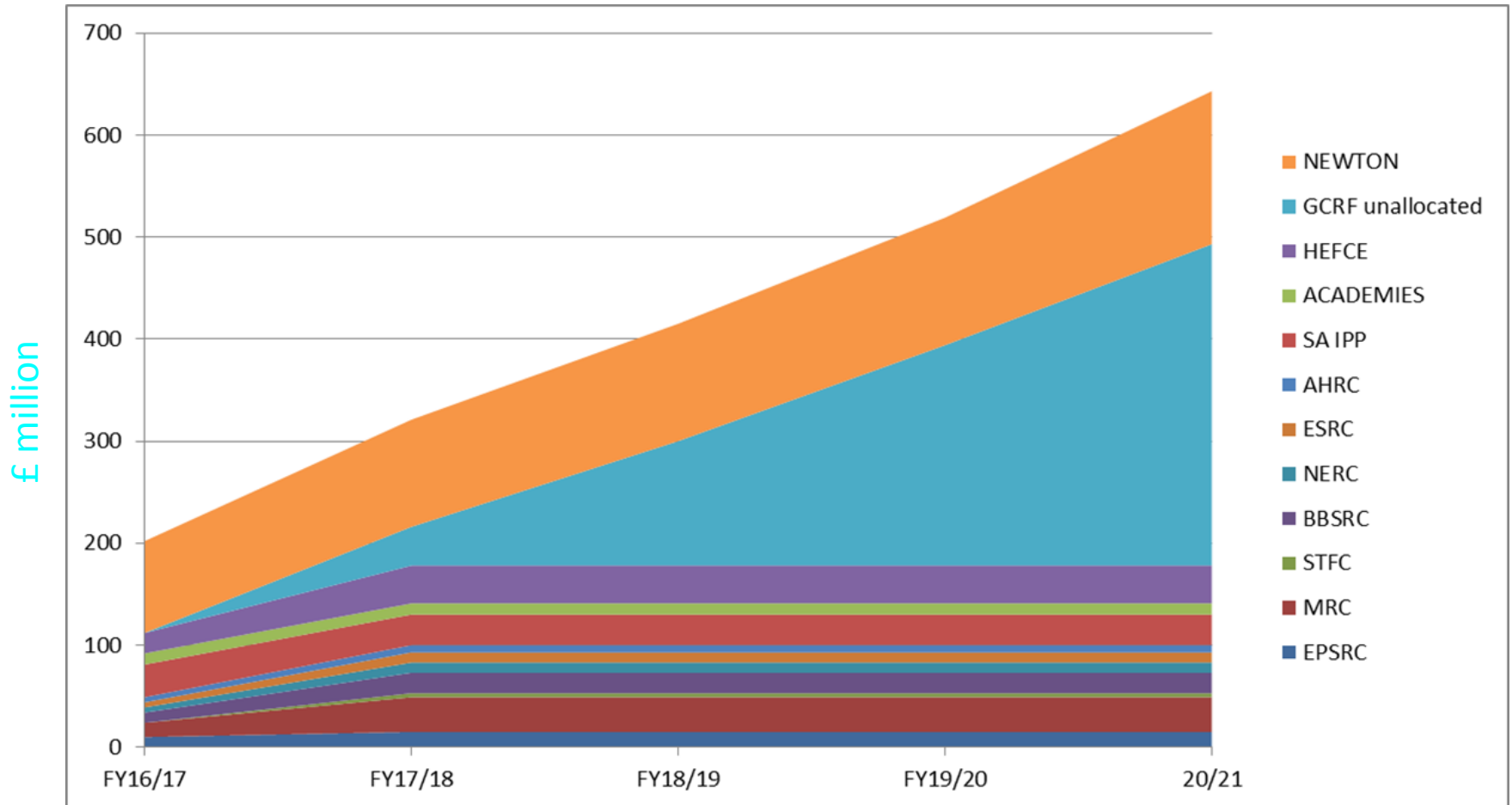
‘More Science, More Development’ is the successor programme to ‘Ciência sem Fronteiras’ (CsF). It is substantially different to CsF and will centre around the internationalisation of Brazilian universities through strategic partnerships with overseas institutions.





# DAC list countries





GCRF allocated to RCs and other partners for years 1&2, **indicative thereafter**. Bulk of funding reserved for **multi-disciplinary research**



**Equitable access to sustainable development**

**Sustainable economies & societies**

**Human rights, good governance & social justice**



# Snap shot of calls open now

Call title	Council	Closing date
<a href="#">EqUIP call for collaborative research on sustainability, equity, wellbeing and cultural connections</a>	AHRC	30 November 2017
<a href="#">Sustainable Agriculture for Sub-Saharan Africa (SASSA)</a>	BBSRC	8 November 2017
<a href="#">BBSRC GCRF Strategic Training Awards for Research Skills (GCRF-STARS)</a>	BBSRC	1 November 2017
<a href="#">Pre-announcement: Global Challenges Research Fund Translation Award</a>	BBSRC	25 October 2017
<a href="#">Sustainable Agriculture for Sub-Saharan Africa (SASSA) call</a>	BBSRC	8 November 2017
<a href="#">AHRC-MRC Global Public Health: Global Challenge Research Fund Partnership Awards (Call 2)</a>	AHRC	26 October 2017

# What is already happening?

<http://www.rcuk.ac.uk/funding/gcrf/gcrfawardedprojects/>

e.g. Morag Shiach (Queen Mary London) –  
Creative hubs and urban development goals  
(UK/Brazil)



# GCRF Best Practice

- Need a detailed, evidenced case for pathways to impact.
- Best to work alongside local partners in DAC list countries (academic and non-academic). Capacity building is important.
- Issue which your research tackles should be identified by the partner country as a developmental priority.
- Take a holistic approach to tackling global challenges.
- Make sure your team is multidisciplinary.
- Worth thinking of potential projects and developing partnerships in advance of calls being released.



- £735 Million in the fund
- 18 countries contribute to this (including Brazil)
- 100 funding partners involved
- 240 activities are live

The Newton Fund Brazil has identified a number of priority areas:

- Health, focus on neglected disease
- Sustainable Agriculture
- Renewable Energy
- Education
- Biodiversity and ecosystem
- Environmental Technologies
- Climate Change
- Food, Energy, Water, Environment, Nexus
- Urban Transformation

## The Newton Fund covers three broad activities:

- **People:** increasing capacity in science and innovation, individually and institutionally in partner countries.
- **Research:** research collaborations on development topics.
- **Translation:** creating collaborative solutions to development challenges and strengthening innovation systems.

# Example People Strand Activities

- Newton **Researcher Links**: travel and workshops, (British Council)
- Newton **Institutional Links**: as above plus some joint research (British Council)
- Newton Fund **Advanced Fellowships**: fellowships to develop research capacity in partner countries by linking early- to mid-career research group leaders with UK research groups (The Royal Society, Academy of Medical Sciences and British Academy)
- Newton **International Fellowships**: early career researchers fellowships (The Royal Society, Academy of Medical Sciences and British Academy)
- Newton **Leaders in Innovation Fellowships**: fellowships focussed on developing academia and industry links (The Royal Academy of Engineering)
- **PhD Partnerships**: reciprocal placements (British Council and RCUK)

# Example Programme Strand Activities

- Delivered by the UK Research Councils in partnership with international partner agencies
- All research calls are focussed on challenges (research themes) jointly agreed between UK and partner country
  - Scoping workshops
  - Joint research calls
  - Joint centres
  - Access to research and innovation infrastructure
- Not active in all Newton Fund countries



# Example Translation Strand Activities

- Delivered by Innovate UK and UK Research Councils in partnership with international partner agencies
- All calls are focussed on challenges jointly agreed between UK and partner country
  - Research & Innovation Bridges
  - Developing entrepreneurial skills and research-business links
  - Industry-led Joint R&D calls (partnerships with HEIs encouraged)
- Not active in all Newton Fund countries

# Example: UK-Brazil

## **Brazilian Delivery Partners:**

- CNPq
- CAPES
- CONFAP
- São Paulo Research Foundation
- SENAI
- EMBRAPA
- MMA
- Secretary for Human Rights of the Presidency of the Republic
- Fundação Oswaldo Cruz (Fiocruz)
- Ministry of Development, Industry and Foreign Trade

## **Joint Funding Priorities:**

- Health, focus on neglected disease
- Sustainable Agriculture
- Renewable Energy
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<http://www.newtonfund.ac.uk/about/about-partnering-countries/Brazil/>

# Current opportunities

<http://www.newtonfund.ac.uk/funding/funding-opportunities/>

e.g. Danielle Densley-Tingley – Minimising the environmental impact of the construction industry in Brazil using natural materials for future urbanisation.



Working with higher education to promote a friendly knowledge and understanding between the people of the UK and other countries.



### What we do

Enabling student and academic mobility and partnerships between universities, industry and government.

### Call for proposals for Going Global 2018

We are looking for poster proposals for the Going Global conference, which engage the theme of 'Global connections, local impact'.



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# Getting prepared

- Look out for Global Engagement Meetings
- SIN Network
- Siid undertaken an NGO mapping exercise (<https://mappingdevelopmentngos.wordpress.com/>)
- Academies have networking schemes
- Talk to us!



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