

# **Call for Proposals**

Project Type: Seed Grant Fund Projects

Duration for receipt of applications: 15 Apr to 17 June 2024.

Funding amount: Up to a maximum of \$150,000.00 for each project (2-3 years).

#### Overview

The Deep-time Digital Earth (DDE), the first IUGS-recognized big science programme, was officially launched during the 73rd IUGS Executive Council Meeting held in Beijing (February 2019). This program will provide many new opportunities and directions for the development of the earth sciences. The DDE mission is to harmonize deep-time Earth data, share global geoscience knowledge and facilitate data-driven discovery in the understanding of Earth's evolution.

This call for proposals seeks to provide seed funding to **2-4 projects** in support of datadriven scientific discoveries and interdisciplinary collaboration in the field of earth sciences.

## **Eligibility**

This is a global call for proposals on data-driven discovery in geosciences. [Note: Teams or individuals, who are currently conducting ongoing projects of related field and seeking for supplementary grants, are also eligible.]

## **Example Anticipated Deliverables**

1. Scientific publications

The most of the highly valuable project results will be prepared for publication in high-impact journals addressing topics within a scope of the project. These topics can be Evolution of life, Evolution of Earth materials, Evolution of geography, and Evolution of climate. Examples of such journal can be Nature Geoscience, Geology, EPSL, Earth-Science Reviews, etc.

2. Workshop and training course organization

Project is supposed to support the organization of workshops or training courses on the topics of the project. Graduate students, post-docs and early-career geoscientists, especially those from underdeveloped countries should be paid special attention.

3. Special issue organization

Project partners should organize a special issue in an international peer-review journal. It focuses on a specific area of research that has a broad appeal and falls within a scope of the project.

4. Conference presentations



The most of the project partners are planning to actively attend at least one conference during the project and make a presentation of specific project results. Some examples of such conferences are IGC, GSA, AGU, EGU, etc.

#### **Duration**

Funding will be provided for projects up to three years in duration. Following the completion of the second year, project performance will be assessed by the DDE Science Committee, and adjustments made as needed for project efforts in the third year.

## **Application procedure**

Once the application form has been completed, the proposer must submit the application to the DDE Secretariat (<a href="mailto:secretariat@ddeworld.org">secretariat@ddeworld.org</a>). The proposers will then receive an e-mail notification from the DDE Secretariat. The Deadline for submissions is 17 June 2024 23:59 local time as evidenced by the date stamp of submission email. Any application submitted after the deadline will be rejected automatically.

## **Application evaluation**

All applications will be examined and evaluated by DDE Science Committee in August 2024. Final decision will be made by DDE Executive Committee in August 2024. All successful applications will be announced publicly on the DDE website by late August 2024.

For any queries, please feel free to contact us at secretariat@ddeworld.org