**Instructions highlighted.**

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| **NAME OF IDC:**   |
| **U of T PIs** | **Name and** **SGS Membership: Full, Assoc and Assoc (restricted)** | **Department** | **Division** | **# of Graduate Students Under Supervision** |
| Lead Applicant  |  |  |  |  |
| PI 2 |  |  |  |  |
| PI 3 |  |  |  |  |
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| PI 5 |  |  |  |  |

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| **Name of International Partner Institution** | **Names of Collaborating PIs** |
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| Note: Please prioritize and list partners and PIs at those institutions with which you immediately plan to exchange and train graduate students and PDFs.  |

**ACADEMIC CASE, SYNERGY AND CRITICAL MASS (Up to 500 words)**

Please identify the scope of the project i.e. what research question/grand challenge are you trying to address as a group.

Please identify which strengths reside at each institution, and why it is imperative that these be united into a single research cluster.

Applicants should discuss how these strengths result in an alliance that is more than the sum of its parts.

List and explain the expertise and synergy among co-PIs (at least 3 per institution). Please feel free to modify table if multiple PIs are working on a single project.

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| **U of T PI Name** | **U of T PI Expertise** | **Partner PI Name and Institution Name** | **Partner PI Expertise** | **\*Have both PIs Met/Worked w/Each Other** | **Title of Collaborative Project as part of the IDC** |
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\*Note: Please answer ‘Yes’ if PIs have interacted with each other in person within the past 12 months concerning this IDC proposal or have jointly published a paper or exchanged graduate students/PDFs within the past two years.

**BUDGET**

IDC funding is for a 3-year period, with the possibility of renewal for an additional 2 years (for a total of 5 years of seed funding) conditional upon a successful review in Year 3 by OVPI, the School of Graduate Studies (SGS) and Divisional/Dept. leadership contributing to the IDC.

The typical mobility budget is 100,000 CAD per year with up to 1/3rd of the seed funds coming from OVPI and SGS.

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| **Source** | **Y1** | **Y2** | **Y3** | **Y4** | **Y5** |
| \*U of T mobility costs  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Workshop costs at U of T  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \*Costs for virtual collaborations  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **TOTAL EXPENSES**  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Divisional Contributions  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Departmental Contributions  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PI contributions  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Contributions from other sources  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Requested Funding from OVPI and SGS**  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **TOTAL FUNDING**  |  |  |  |  |  |

**\***This is the mobility costs incurred by U of T PIs, graduate students and PDFs for economy class flights, accommodation, meals, local transportation etc. IDC funds cannot be used for the following expenses (not exhaustive): PhD stipend, PDF salaries, collaborative project costs (consumables etc.) etc.

\* Online communication platforms, virtual workshops and lab group meetings, virtual journal clubs, and online open access lab notebooks.

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| **Please list any other internal contributions from dept./divisions for the IDC** e.g. stipend for a PhD student who will work on a collaborative project during the course of their PhD with the IDC partner institution, consumables for collaborative project costs, administrative support to organize workshops etc. |
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**IMPLEMENTATION PLAN (Up to 250 words)**

Please confirm whether the collaborating PIs overseas have adequate resources to support their travel costs and those of their graduate students and PDFs to U of T.

Please confirm whether partner PIs have the facilities and resources to host U of T graduate students and PDFs for research stays.

Please identify whether U of T PIs are planning to train graduate students through exchange (non-degree seeking) or through a Joint Education Placement PhD or both.

Please provide information on how U of T PIs will incent their graduate students to engage in this IDC through overseas research stays. If students are being trained through JEPs, please identify how PIs intend to promote and co-recruit the JEPs.

Please also highlight how you will foster collaboration through virtual means when in-person interactions with counterparts overseas is not possible/required/taking place.

**MILESTONES AND PATH TO SUSTAINABILITY**

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| **Research and Training** | **Y1** | **Y2** | **Y3** | **Y4** | **Y5** |
| #of U of T graduate students engaged in overseas research stays of 3 weeks or longer at IDC partner institution  |  |  |  |  |  |
| # of U of T PDFs engaged in overseas research stays of 3 weeks or longer at IDC partner institution  |  |  |  |  |  |
| # of partner graduate students and PDFs hosted at U of T  |  |  |  |  |  |
| # of joint publications with IDC partners  |  |  |  |  |  |

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| **Please list grants programs and philanthropic organizations that will be engaged to sustain this collaboration by leveraging the IDC seed funds:**  |
| **Y1**  |  |
| **Y2** |  |
| **Y3** |  |
| **Y4** |  |
| **Y5** |  |