



Question & Answer Report

Informational Webinar: How to Apply for a Grant for the 2021 U.S.-Brazil Innovation Fund Grant Competition

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Eligible Partnerships

- 1. Can there be more than 3 institutions in a proposal, if the requirement of minimum of one U.S. institution and one SENAI institution is met?**
Yes, there is no limit to the number of institutions that can participate in your partnership as long as you meet the minimum requirement of one US institution and one SENAI institution.
- 2. Is it possible to participate in a partnership between 3 institutions (one from Brazil, one from the U.S., and one from Canada)**
No, Canadian institutions are not eligible to participate in this competition at this time. Only Brazil and U.S. institutions may apply.
- 3. Would it be allowed to bring companies to partner together with SENAI institutes and U.S. HEIs in the development of projects?**
Yes, other non-HEI partners, including government, NGOs, businesses, and other community partners are able to participate in and support the project. They may not apply for a grant.

SENAI Institutions

- 1. Can we have a contact in which we could get in touch with the person in charge of the SENAI network in Brazil in order to set a partnership with one of them?**
Please send an email to partners.senai@senaicni.com.br to receive information and support in partnering with SENAI institutions.



2. **Can you provide a few examples of the SENAI Innovation Institutes? I'm not familiar with them.**

You can see a full list at <http://institutos.senai.br/english.html>.

3. **Does the list of SENAI Innovation Institutes include a list of Higher Education Institutions?**

We hope to share a list of SENAI Higher Education Schools on the 100K website soon.

Program Themes

1. **If Education and Culture are among the thematic areas, may Institutes of Musical Training be included?**

Not explicitly, but please review the RFP for a detailed list of the themes. That said, if you can identify an interdisciplinary view and justify the connection to an eligible theme, then it could work.

Budget

1. **Are there any directions on how the grant funds can or cannot be spent?**

There are no limitations on how the grant funds can/cannot be spent, so long as the expenses are reasonable and justifiable for the purposes of the proposed project.

2. **Can the funds be used to directly support students' travel and per diem expenses?**

Yes, we encourage you to use funds to directly defray student costs.