

CALL FOR GRANT APPLICATIONS 2021

SMALL GRANTS FOR INNOVATIVE SOLAR ENERGY DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS

InSIC - International Solar Innovation Council, invites applications from legal entities, especially small-scale industries, start-ups, research institutes and non-governmental organizations (NGO) for its small grants program for innovative solar energy demonstration projects.

The aim of the grant is to develop 'proof of concept' projects demonstrating solar innovation. Solar innovation may involve photovoltaics, solar thermal and other technologies. Projects should combine solar energy with certain applications in e.g. fields of agriculture, irrigation, clean cooking (solar or solar-assisted), cooling of houses, water and sanitation, reduction of air pollution or improving of productivity. Innovation may also lie in the improvement of existing off-grid applications. Projects should demonstrate how the idea can be implemented and also discuss the target market and potential impact for users.

The projects should be mostly implemented in the global south. The project will be financed by a grant, and the budget shall be in the order of 2 500 € - 5 000 € including the minimum of 10 % own funding.

Interested institutions are encouraged to go through the Guide for Applicants document (pdf) for information about the aims of InSIC in general, the scope of the grant program, as well as the eligibility criteria of applicants and evaluation criteria for the proposals.

The applications shall be submitted by sending completed Submission Forms of the proposed project electronically (in PDF format) to an email address: applications@solarinnovations.org. The deadline for submitting the grant applications is **at 4:00pm GMT on March 31st, 2021**.