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# CLARE Roster of Experts

*Provision of research-to-action services  
in Africa and Asia-Pacific*

## *Call for Expressions of Interest*

*In support of the Climate Adaptation and Resilience (CLARE) programme, SSN is pleased to share a call for expressions of interest (Eoi). The call will result in the establishment of a roster of experts to provide discreet services related to the mobilisation of existing scientific data and knowledge for climate action. Prospective partners are hereby invited to submit an Eoi to be shortlisted for the roster of experts to deliver activities that drive the uptake of adaptation research outputs by decision makers by adapting and evolving existing research outputs, and/or by undertaking activities to overcome the barriers to uptake.*

**Deadline for Expressions of Interest:** 30 September 2023, Midnight (GMT+2)  
**Duration of contracts:** short term, up to 1 year (12) months  
**Budget:** 15 000 - 60 000 CAD per project  
**CLARE focus themes:** Understanding climate risk; Risk-informed early action;  
Developing in a changing climate  
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### **Background to CLARE**

The [Climate Adaptation and Resilience \(CLARE\)](#) programme is a £110m, UK-Canada framework research programme on Climate Adaptation and Resilience, aiming to enable socially inclusive and sustainable action to build resilience to climate change and natural hazards in Africa and Asia-Pacific. Research supported by CLARE is bridging critical gaps between science and action: developing new tools and supporting partner governments, communities, and the private sector to use evidence and innovation to drive effective solutions to the climate challenge, whilst building capacity of both those carrying out the research and those using the resulting evidence. CLARE is a joint initiative co-designed and funded by the United Kingdom's Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) and Canada's International Development

Research Centre (IDRC). CLARE is primarily funded by UK aid from the UK government, along with Canada's IDRC.

[SouthSouthNorth's](#) role on the CLARE programme is to build synergies with in-country knowledge brokers to identify knowledge brokering opportunities to maximise the uptake of adaptation and resilience-focussed knowledge from CLARE and predecessor programmes. There is a rich and compelling knowledge resource from previously funded adaptation and resilience research programmes, however, the knowledge was not always shared and disseminated as effectively as it could have been in order to lead to climate action. In many cases this was due to limitations in the project duration and budget for knowledge sharing and dissemination beyond the programme delivery.

In-country knowledge brokers are busy undertaking detailed processes for scoping of demand with decision makers (including national government and civil society organisations) in eight countries in Asia-Pacific and Africa. In its role with CLARE, SSN will establish and draw on a roster of experts to commission activities that respond to the adaptation-related demands and needs identified by these knowledge brokers. When demands relevant to an expert's areas of focus arise, experts will be called upon to provide services relating to the repurposing and repackaging of existing knowledge outputs from CLARE and predecessor programmes - in the form of data, tools, methodologies, and other knowledge outputs - to inform decision making purposes.

## **Objectives of the Roster**

The purpose of this EOI is to establish a roster of experts to be called upon between now and April 2026 to support the repurposing and repackaging of existing knowledge and research to meet climate change adaptation needs identified by decision-makers in Africa and Asia-Pacific. The aim is to maximise the utility and uptake of existing knowledge by policymakers and practitioners, through the development of actionable adaptation solutions and tools in collaboration with the end-users.

CLARE has a broad ranging set of research themes. The call seeks to establish a roster with a broad range of expertise represented, and would draw on individuals as-needed according to the demands that emerge. Inclusion on the roster does not guarantee that an individual or organisation will be drawn upon.

Diversity in the makeup of the roster is encouraged and awareness of gender equity and social inclusion will factor into decision making.

## **Expertise being Sought:**

The following are the qualities / characteristics we are looking for from a prospective partner organisation [or individual(s)] that can assist with repurposing, repackaging, and mobilising existing knowledge:

Essential:

- Extensive research experience, knowledge, and understanding of climate change adaptation and resilience in Africa and/or Asia-Pacific;

- Research experience must align with one or more of CLARE's interlinked themes:
  - **Understanding climate risk:**  
Improving our understanding of the risks associated with climate and natural hazards that addresses gaps in the underpinning science;
  - **Risk-informed early action:**  
Supporting early action to reduce impacts of climate variability, reducing humanitarian impacts on lives and livelihoods;
  - **Developing in a changing climate:**  
Enabling long-term, sustainable, and equitable economic and social development in a changing climate.

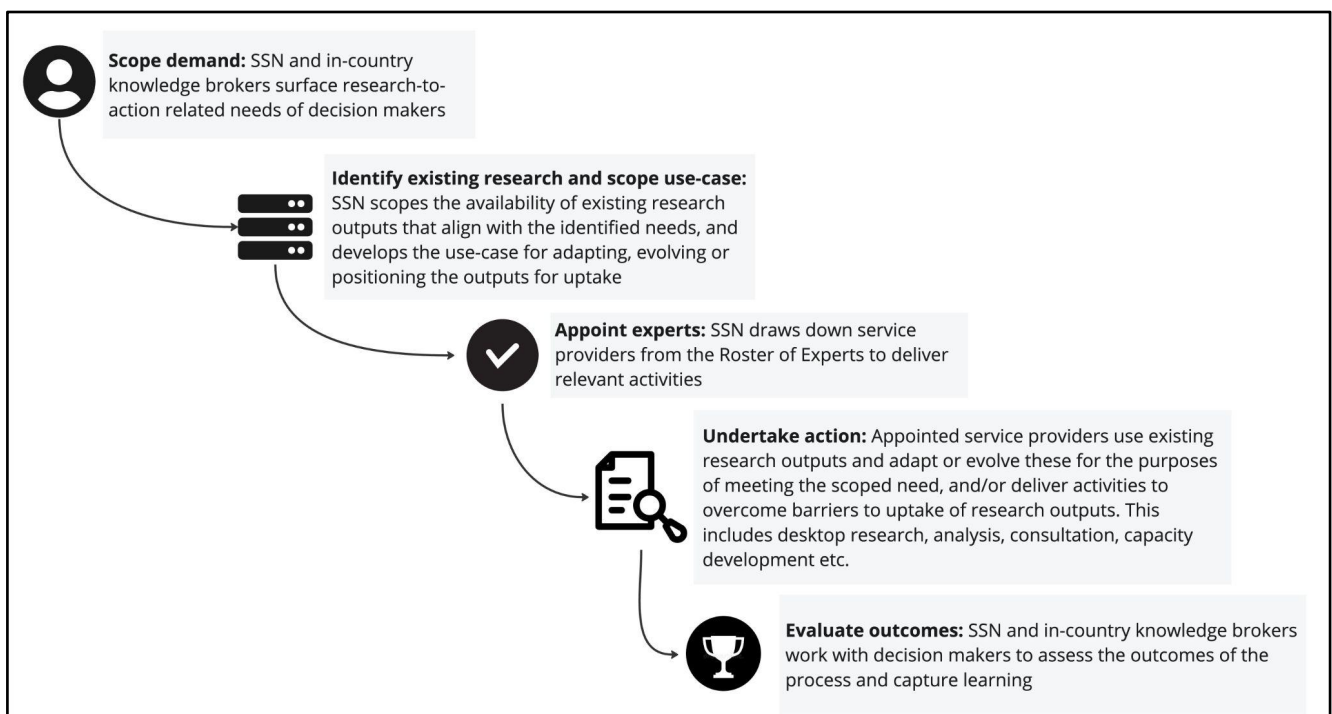
Beneficial:

- Southern-based, with verifiable experience of working in Africa and/or Asia-Pacific;
- Experience in action-orientated research and research for impact approaches (i.e. research that influences change in policy, practice, behaviour and attitudes).

### What kind of support will the Expert provide?

This will depend on the needs that arise from in-country decision-makers and the availability of relevant pre-existing research outputs. Activities may include adapting or extending existing datasets, applying existing datasets to specific use-cases, data validation, consultation and ground-truthing, identifying barriers to uptake, re-packaging data outputs for use by decision makers, and undertaking sensitisation and capacity development processes. Experts will be drawn from the panel for a specific use-case.

### Illustrative support provision process



### **The identified activities must:**

- Align strongly with CLARE themes (see above) and must be focussed on adaptation;
- Focus on adapting existing research to meet expressed needs, and/or identifying and addressing other barriers to research uptake. *Primary research will not be funded;*
- Respond to established needs or demands from decision-makers. Interventions need to address knowledge gaps or requirements for knowledge uptake, and must be designed collaboratively with the end-user;
- Hold strong research for impact potential, fully accounting for the context in which the interventions will be delivered. Interventions need to hold a strong likelihood of resulting in action. This speaks to ensuring:
  1. alignment of available data, tools, and approaches etc, and the feasibility of repurposing or adapting these for action;
  2. all relevant contextual factors are considered and addressed in the design of the intervention, including political, social, and institutional barriers; and
  3. the sustainability of actions resulting from the interventions have been considered and addressed in the design of the interventions.

### **Application**

To begin your application, please fill in the following [Form](#).

Additional documents requested of applicants (you can attach these on the form):

- *List of Relevant Experience*: engagement / previous work references (where possible including contactable references).
- *Curriculum Vitae* [if the Expert is submitting as part of an organisation, a short (less than one page) organisational biography is requested in addition to the Expert's CV].
- Indication of *daily rate* in USD.