

# Call for bids: UK-Australia maritime partnership in the Indo-Pacific

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UK's mission in Australia is inviting bids for projects developing coordination between the UK and Australia on maritime issues in the Indo-Pacific region.



# UK Government

## Themes

We welcome bids on – but are not limited to – the following issues:

- directly delivering or developing options for maritime capacity-building in third countries
- building networks between experts on maritime issues in the UK, Australia and third countries
- using UK and Australian expertise to deliver impactful research on pressing maritime issues, particularly in the fields of maritime security and law, although projects in other areas such as maritime trade or ecology would also be considered

## Selection criteria

Bids will be assessed against the following criteria:

- project design: feasibility of activities and outputs including the capacity of implementing organisation to deliver outcomes
- impact: delivering high-impact outcomes that showcase UK expertise and build durable links with Australian institutions
- viability and risks: clear engagement/buy-in of key stakeholders. Robust analysis of key risks, and a plan of action to manage and mitigate those risks
- value for money: comparable and reasonable costs against the number of direct beneficiaries and the scale of achievable outcomes

Bids do not need to meet Official Development Assistance (ODA) criteria, but may also be assessed against ODA eligibility rules where appropriate.

We draw your attention to the below key points:

- proposals should be between £10,000 – £40,000 (approximately between A.\$19,000 to A.\$75,000)
- it may be possible to consider proposals above £40,000 that meet the eligibility rules for ODA – please contact [Australia.MaritimeProgramme@fcdo.gov.uk](mailto:Australia.MaritimeProgramme@fcdo.gov.uk) if you think your project may fit this category
- the entire project must be completed before 31 March 2022
- all funding must be activity-based (i.e. not for general staff costs, office rental etc.)

## Process

See also:

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