



Seed Funding 2024
for Collaborative Projects between
the University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg
and the University of Tübingen

	<p>University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg (Wits) and the University of Tübingen (UT) are jointly contributing funds to support collaborative research initiatives through a joint call for proposals. Applicants from all schools and disciplines are encouraged to submit funding applications for innovative and sustainable projects.</p>
Max. Grant Amount:	10.000€ per collaborative project (budget needs to be divided equally between Wits und UT)
Purpose:	Planning a larger collaborative initiative or preparing an external grant application
Application Deadline:	15th of July 2024 (funds to be used by 31 st of December 2024)
Who can apply:	Applications must be submitted by a team of researchers from both universities and include at least one full-time research or teaching faculty member. Graduate students and postdocs can be part of the team.
How to Apply:	Please request an Application Form from a contact below. Send forms to: alison.simons@wits.ac.za and international.research@uni-tuebingen.de
What Can Be Funded:	The following costs or activities can be covered by the Seed Grant: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Travel costs to visit project partners, including for lab rotations, joint graduate training activities or collaborative projects;• Organization of joint workshops or seminars on the research topic for researchers and graduate students, including costs for student or academic assistants• Other costs directly related to project planning or implementation
Other Funding:	The Seed Grant can be combined with other grants, provided funds are not covering the same activities or costs.
Selection Process:	Applications will be evaluated by a joint Wits-UT committee. Applicants will be notified of the results within a few weeks.
Selection Criteria:	Projects will be selected in accordance with the following main criteria (although the committee reserves the right to apply other criteria): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Potential for integration of the research project into the existing strategic research priorities of the universities• Potential of the project to develop sustained partnership between Wits and UT researchers or units• Possibilities for producing joint publications, conference presentations or acquiring external follow-up funding• Equal division of responsibilities between Wits and UT researchers
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