Dear interested applicants,

Please see below the following opportunities available for your necessary action. The interested applicants can submit their interest in accordance with the process listed below under the respective opportunities.

This is an informational announcement only and does not constitute any commitment of funding from the US government side.

1. **Opportunity# 1**

EPIC Air Quality Fund **now accepting applications**.*
Submissions are due 10 September 2024 by 11:59PM your local timezone.

In this call, the EPIC (Energy Policy Institute at the University of Chicago) Air Quality Fund will offer financial support to 10-15 selected groups over an 18-month period. We expect award amounts to be roughly 50,000 USD for groups proposing to deploy lower cost sensors and 75,000 USD or more for groups using regulatory grade or reference grade equipment.

Selected Awardees will also implement plans to use the data they generate for a national-level impact of their design. It is the intention of the Fund to renew successful Awards for subsequent years of funding, pending available resources.

Click here to apply.

USAID is not funding this opportunity.

2. **Opportunity# 2**

Responsible AI Fund
Submissions Deadline: Friday, September 13, 2024

Digital Forward, with the support of USAID's Emerging Technologies (ET) team, invites all potential implementing partners to submit expressions of interest (EOIs) detailing capability to implement responsible artificial intelligence projects.

The Responsible AI fund aims to promote responsible AI use, mitigate AI-fueled risks, and strengthen AI ecosystems to support sustainable and equitable development. The fund will support ideas that operationalize USAID's Artificial Intelligence Action Plan.

This REOI is a part of a broader ideation and fact-finding process currently underway. Digital Forward seeks EOIs that demonstrate 1) an organization's capacity to operationalize USAID's Artificial Intelligence Action Plan and 2) experience leveraging artificial intelligence for development.

Top EOI submissions will be shared with relevant USAID Missions and Operating Units to be considered for grant funding. Missions and Operating Units will have the opportunity to invite implementing partners to workshop ideas, design projects, and submit full grant applications.

Grants are expected to commence on January 1, 2025, last for one year, and range from $50,000 to $250,000.

Submitting an EOI does not guarantee any funding or response from Digital Forward. All submissions will be reviewed, but Digital Forward reserves the right to fund or respond only to those submissions that align with the priorities and funding availability of the Responsible AI Fund.

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