

Expression of Interest (Eoi): Funding Acquisition Support for Higher Education Development in Africa



SARUA is inviting Expressions of Interest from qualified individuals, consultancy firms or organisations with proven experience in identifying, drafting and applying for funding from regional and international donors, funders or organisations.

SARUA is a recognised regional body representing public universities in Southern Africa. We work to strengthen the higher education sector through collaboration, capacity building, policy dialogue and knowledge exchange. As we scale our strategic ambitions, securing sustainable funding is a top priority to drive impactful programmes and initiatives that benefit our member institutions and the broader academic community.

Our goal is to secure significant financial support for initiatives and large-scale programmes that aim at advancing higher education development and capacitation, advancing the higher education ecosystem, including quality assurance, research brokering and knowledge co-creation, leadership development and the incorporation of AI into higher education across the Southern African region, SADC.

We are seeking Expressions of Interest from partners who can:

- Identify suitable funding opportunities aligned with SARUA's mission and regional development goals
- Lead or support the drafting of compelling funding proposals and applications
- Assist in building relationships with potential funders and development partners
- Provide strategic advice on positioning SARUA for long-term funding partnerships

Interested parties are invited to submit a brief profile outlining their relevant experience, track record in securing funding (particularly in the higher education or development sectors), and propose an approach to working with SARUA.

Submit your expression of interest to:

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Deadline 30 June 2025

We look forward to exploring potential partnerships that can help drive transformative change in African higher education with specific focus on the SADC region.

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