



POSNER CENTER

## INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION FUND

# AWARD ANNOUNCEMENT

## ARROW INNOVATION IN TECHNOLOGY AWARD

### Overview

The International Collaboration Fund (ICF) is a grant program transforming how global development is done. The ICF funds innovative partnerships within and beyond the Posner Center community, leveraging the power of collaboration for greater impact.

The Posner Center for International Development is pleased to partner with [Arrow Electronics](#) to create the *Arrow Innovation in Technology Award*. This award will fund one \$20,000 project grant for innovation in technology. The selected project will embody the spirit of innovation in technology to benefit humanity. This initiative must employ technology in creative ways to directly support communities around the globe.

### Eligibility

This grant will fund a project built upon the partnership of two or more organizations. The lead organization must be member of the Posner community (Tenant or Member) and must have a 501(c)(3) status. Partner organization(s) may come from within the Posner community, or may be organizations outside of the community. Partner organizations may be nonprofit or for-profit organizations.

Priority consideration will be given to proposals that support communities in the countries where the Posner Center community is active and where Arrow lives and works. See the complete list [here](#).

### Timeline

Expression of Interest Due	March 15, 2019 by 5:00PM
Full Proposal Due	April 15, 2019 by 5:00PM
Notification of Awards	May 1, 2019

### Learn More

To support a strong pool of proposals, the Posner Center is providing an opportunity to learn more about this award, Arrow Electronics' priorities and prior investments, and to understand the application process.

- **In-Person Information Session**  
Wednesday, February 6<sup>th</sup> 3-4pm at the Posner Center. [RSVP here](#).
- **Online Information Session**  
Wednesday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, 10-11am. [RSVP here](#).

Unable to make one of the sessions? Send an email to [Meg@posnercenter.org](mailto:Meg@posnercenter.org) to share your idea and request written feedback or to set up a short meeting or call.

## Expression of Interest

Prospective applicants should formally express interest in applying for the award by March 15, 2019. To express interest, email [Meg@posnercenter.org](mailto:Meg@posnercenter.org) with the following information:

- Name of lead organization and name(s) of partner organization(s).
- High-level overview of proposed project.
- Country or countries in which the proposed work will take place.
- How the project embodies innovation in technology to benefit humanity.

The letter of interest should not exceed 200 words. It may be sent in the body of an email or as an attachment. Unless otherwise notified, all partnerships submitting an expression of interest are invited to submit a full proposal.

## Proposal Format

Please copy the questions below and populate with your answers. You may submit as a Word or PDF file. Please limit the body of the proposal (questions 1-13) to a maximum of 5 pages.

1. Title of proposal.
2. Organization, name(s), and email address(s) for lead organization.
3. Partner organization(s), name(s), and email address(es).
4. A brief overview of the project and the need(s) it seeks to address. Connect the project to the theme of *Innovation in Technology*.
5. Project goals, specific objectives, and program activities (*Goals are high-level statements about what the project seeks to accomplish. Objectives, when met, contribute towards achieving a goal. They are specific, measurable, attainable, realistic and time-bound. Activities are what you're doing!*).
6. Share the timeline for implementation organized by key milestones. (*This is a one-year project grant, commencing May 2019.*)
7. Organizational Annual Impact: Total number of individuals impacted, served and supported by your entire organization. Include distinct figures for each partner organization. (*Total visitors, all program participants and yearly event attendance all in one figure*)
8. Why is collaboration necessary for this effort? What will each partner bring to the effort? What will each partner gain from this effort?
9. How are partners thinking about the collaborative process at this point? (*Are there any challenges you are working to mitigate? Strengths you are looking to build upon? Resources or support you would like from other grantees or the Posner Center?*)

10. Share the specific way(s) in which this project will provide valuable tools, resources, models or learning to the Posner Center community and/or the sector(s) in which you work.
11. Describe your plan for monitoring and evaluating the project.  
*(Include metrics for the objectives outlined in #5.)*
12. Do you have plans to document and share information related to questions 10 & 11?
13. Assuming this project is a success, what does the future of the project look like beyond the grant period? What does the relationship between partners look like?
14. Attachment 1: Detailed project budget.
15. Attachment 2: A copy of the lead organization's 501(c)(3) determination letter.
16. Attachment 3: A copy of or a link to the lead organization's 2017 IRS Form 990.

### Review Criteria

All proposals are reviewed for clarity of purpose, strength of strategy, and ability to evaluate progress towards stated objectives. The fiscal soundness and programmatic effectiveness of participating organizations are also key considerations in the review process. In addition to the above baseline criteria, the following principles guide the decision-making process. Selected projects demonstrate:

**Innovation in Technology:** Project uses emerging technologies to benefit humanity. Ideas are translated into real and influential achievements to support communities.

**Evidence-based best practice:** Contributes to evidence-based best practices in global development.

**Collaboration:** Collaboration is key to addressing this challenge. Partners are committed to the collaborative process as a key vehicle for achieving shared aims.

**Alignment:** There is clear alignment between the aims of the project and the missions of participating organizations.

**Adaptability:** The project is positioned to generate models, methods, or practices that can be adapted and applied to similar challenges elsewhere, whether in the Posner Center community or more broadly.

**Efficacy:** The project has a clear ability to create measurable impact.

**Sustainability:** There is clarity between partners about what sustainability looks like for this project and there is the required organizational commitment and plan to support sustainability.