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GSP Starter Grant application form

Outline

The Global School Partnerships (GSP) programme aims to support high quality, sustainable school partnerships between schools in the UK and the South to promote global education through the curriculum.

GSP is aiming to attract ‘new’ UK schools (i.e. that do not have a partnership in a GSP¹ country), particularly faith and special schools, to explore partnerships. The Starter Grant of £250 is aimed to attract schools at the beginning of their partnership journey.

Eligibility requirements

A school is not eligible if it already has a partnership with a school in a GSP country. A school that already has a partnership in a non-GSP country (e.g. Europe/China) is eligible to apply if they wish to establish a new partnership with a school in a GSP country.

UK Private (fee-paying) and public (government-funded) pre-schools, primary schools, middle schools, secondary schools, special schools and sixth form colleges in the four UK nations (England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales) are all eligible for the Starter Grant.

Further education and tertiary institutions and schools in the Crown Dependencies (e.g. Jersey or Guernsey) are not eligible.

Your school must not have participated in any of the following GSP events in the past 12 months:

- a GSP Introductory workshop
- a Partner Finding Conference

The starter grant is to pay towards training and not to be used to purchase capital items.

This application form must be submitted and accepted before the training date to receive the Starter Grant.

¹ Please visit this website for a list of GSP countries: <http://www.dfid.gov.uk/Getting-Involved/For-schools/global-school-partnerships/about-gsp/Eligible-countries/>

Starter Grant categories

There are 4 Starter Grant options for UK Schools, however, you can only receive one starter grant per school.

The categories are:

- SG1: Attendance at a GSP Introductory workshop
- SG2: INSET by a Development Education Centre (DEC)
- SG3: Introductory on-line course with school briefing
- SG4: Attendance at a Country Conference

Starter Grant 1: Introductory workshop

The grant can be used to provide funding for supply cover, travel and subsistence costs for a teacher, or group of teachers, in order to facilitate attendance at a GSP Introductory workshop².

Starter Grant 2: INSET by a Development Education Centre (DEC)

The grant can be used to cover the cost of a whole school INSET from a local Development Education Centre (DEC)³

This must include at least one of the following:

- a tailored introductory workshop which incorporates global school partnerships
- specialist support for a school-wide curricular audit of current global education practice with a view to developing a global school partnership
- identifying new opportunities for a global school partnership.

The payment will pay for the preparation of materials and the delivery of half a day's training or two twilight sessions by a DEC. The DEC will receive the payment directly.

Starter Grant 3: Introductory on-line course with school briefing

UK Teachers wishing to undertake the introductory online course will be able to apply for SG3 in order to use their learning from the course to brief school staff which must also include their headteacher. The grant will be used to cover staff costs and will include as many staff as possible.

Starter Grant 4: Country Conference

Teachers attending a Global School Partnerships Country Conference can apply for SG4 provided that the conference is during a school day. The grant can be used to

² Please visit <http://www.dfid.gov.uk/Get-Involved/For-schools/global-school-partnerships/Professional-Development/Workshops/Introduction-to-Global-School-Partnerships/> for a list of Introductory workshops

³ Please see www.dea.org.uk/members/decs.asp for details of your local DEC

provide funding for supply, travel and subsistence costs for a teacher, or group of teachers. For details of the GSP Country Conferences⁴ please contact Sarah Hamlet: sarah@ukowla.org.uk

Application process

SG1: Attendance at a GSP Introductory workshop

In order for a grant to be awarded the school should:

1. complete the application form and identify category 1
2. book a place on the introductory workshop via the website⁴
3. receive confirmation that the grant has been accepted / rejected within 1 week
4. attend the workshop
5. register your school on the British Council Schools Online⁵ or specify an alternative route
6. submit an invoice, available to download from our website
7. the grant will be transferred to your school's account within 30 days

SG2: INSET by a Development Education Centre (DEC)

In order for a grant to be awarded the school should:

1. select a local DEC⁶ to provide INSET for your school. The training must be at least half a day or two twilight sessions
2. confirm an agreed date, location and length of INSET with the DEC
3. confirm the number of staff who will attend the training
4. complete the application form and specify category 2, including the details and email address of the DEC
5. the DEC and school will receive confirmation that the grant has been accepted / rejected within 1 week
6. have the INSET
7. register your school on the British Council Schools Online⁷ or specify an alternative route
7. the DEC will submit their invoice after the training and will receive the payment directly within 30 days

⁴ For a list of conferences please visit: <http://www.dfid.gov.uk/Get-Involved/For-schools/global-school-partnerships/start-to-build-your-partnership/Country-partner-finding-conferences/>

⁵ <http://schoolsonline.britishcouncil.org/home>

⁶ Please see www.dea.org.uk/members/decs.asp for details of your local DEC

⁷ <http://schoolsonline.britishcouncil.org/home>

SG3: Introductory on-line course with school briefing

In order for a grant to be awarded the school should:

1. complete the online introductory course and obtain the certificate
2. obtain HT's approval to carry out a staff briefing at your school
3. complete the application form and specify category 3
4. receive confirmation that the grant has been accepted / rejected within 1 week
5. teacher to brief staff on the content of the online introductory workshop for equitable and sustainable school partnerships. The HT must attend.
6. have the briefing
7. register your school on the British Council Schools Online⁸ or specify an alternative route
8. submit an invoice, available to download from our website. It must have the HTs signature on to confirm they attended the briefing and a copy of the online course certificate.
9. the school will receive the payment directly within 30 days

SG4: Attendance at a Country Conference

In order for a grant to be awarded the school should:

1. complete the application form and identify category 4
2. book a place on the country conference with Sarah Hamlet (sarah@ukowla.org.uk)
3. receive confirmation that the grant has been accepted / rejected within 1 week
4. attend the conference
5. register your school on the British Council Schools Online⁹ or specify an alternative route
6. submit an invoice, available to download from our website
7. the grant will be transferred to your school's account within 30 days

⁸ <http://schoolsonline.britishcouncil.org/home>

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Application form

Please email cef@camb-ed.com, fax 01223 578501 or post to Jo Haggarty, Cambridge Education Foundation, Cambridge Education, Demeter House, Station Road, Cambridge, CB1 2RS

Which starter grant are you applying for?	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/>
Contact name:	
Email:	
Title / focus of training (SG2 only):	
Date & length of training:	
Location of training:	
Name of school:	
School address:	
School Postcode:	
Telephone number:	
Type of school:	<input type="checkbox"/> Faith <input type="checkbox"/> Special <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> Secondary <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify).....
Name of trainer:	
Name and address of the training provider's organisation / DEC (SG2 only):	
Email of the training provider's organisation / DEC (SG2 only):	
Number of staff attending training:	
Headteacher's signature (SG3 only)	

Terms and Conditions

I confirm that my school is not involved in a partnership with a school in a GSP country and has not participated in any of the following GSP events in the past 12 months:

- a GSP Introductory workshop
- a Partner Finding Conference

NB: If you are unsure, please contact the GSP team on 0131 524 5780 or by email globalschools@britishcouncil.org

- I have included a copy of my online course certificate (SG3 only)
- I will enter my school's details on the British Council Schools Online or
- I am choosing to embark on the following route to find a partnership:

Please specify:

I confirm that the above details are correct and I have appropriate authority to sign on behalf of my school.

Signed:

Date:

For more information, please contact Cambridge Education Foundation on 01223 463761 or email cef@camb-ed.com