

## UK Association for Language Testing and Assessment (UKALTA)

### Seeking expressions of interest to run a UKALTA-supported activity in 2021

At the annual general meeting in November 2018, UKALTA members agreed to support the financing of a second annual activity (i.e., in addition to the *Language Testing Forum* conference which normally takes place each November).

This second annual activity is intended to promote UKALTA's stated aims (see <http://ukalta.org/about/>). Its scope and type are left open and flexible, but suggestions for possible activities could include: a special interest group workshop; a face-to-face/online seminar targeting PhD students; or a stakeholder engagement activity.

Up to £1500 is available annually to support such an activity. The maximum amount will not be needed in many cases.

The UKALTA Executive Committee is pleased to invite applications to plan and deliver a second annual activity – ideally before the end of 2021.

Applications (up to 2 pages) must:

- Describe the activity and how it will be delivered (e.g., location, venue, medium)
- State who the target participant group is and why the activity is useful for this group
- Explain how the activity promotes UKALTA's stated aims
- State who will organise and facilitate the activity and their capacity to do so
- Set out clearly the costs to be covered by the funding
- Indicate any other sources of support (financial and otherwise) for the activity

The UKALTA Executive Committee will consider applications in terms of the quality and value of the proposed activity, its alignment with UKALTA aims, its feasibility, and its potential impact. The committee may decide not to fund any activity if appropriate applications are not received.

Successful applicants will be asked to provide a short report on their activity for the UKALTA website.

The initial deadline for applications this year is **1 March 2021**.\*

Please send your application by email to the UKALTA Secretary, Judith Fairbairn, at [judith.fairbairn@britishcouncil.org](mailto:judith.fairbairn@britishcouncil.org). Judith will also deal with any questions about the process.

*\*The UKALTA Executive Committee fully recognises the challenges and uncertainties due to the continuing Covid-19 pandemic and the difficulties of forward planning ahead for activities during 2021. Nevertheless, we are keen to advertise this annual funding opportunity and to encourage expressions of interest, particularly proposals for online activities if the current situation continues for several more months.*