



# UNIVERSITY OF DAR ES SALAAM

## Office of the Deputy Vice Chancellor - Research Directorate of Research and Publication

### Research Funding Opportunities with Deadlines in the Second Quarter of 2026

#### Group 29 4<sup>th</sup> April 2026

##### 1. Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation - Grand Challenges: Cost-Disruptive Diagnostics and Screening Tools

**Deadline:** 28 April 2026

**Focus:** Innovations in diagnostic and screening tools targeting near-zero incremental cost per test for LMICs

**Indicative Grant Size:** \$300k to \$1m

**Eligibility:** Research institutes, universities, biotech companies, and technology innovators globally.

Applications from LMIC-based institutions actively encouraged

**Prep:** Submit proposal, budget, and team details via Grand Challenges portal

**URL:** <https://gcgh.grandchallenges.org/challenge/innovations-cost-disruptive-tools-diagnosis-and-screening>

##### 2. Innovations for Poverty Action (IPA) - Citizen Security Research Initiative (CSRI)

**Deadline:** 15 April 2026

**Focus:** Rigorous research generating actionable evidence to strengthen justice systems, law enforcement, and community safety.

**Indicative Grant Size:** \$75k to \$400k

**Eligibility:** Researchers at universities or recognised non-university research institutions globally.

**Prep:** Submit through the IPA online portal before. Exclude operational intervention costs from budget

**URL:** <https://www2.fundsforgos.org/community-development/call-for-proposals-citizen-security-research-initiative/>

##### 3. WEMOS and Partners - Climate and Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights Research Grant

**Deadline:** 12 April 2026

**Focus:** Research on how climate change affects sexual and reproductive health and rights in LMIC settings

**Indicative Grant Size:** Up to \$55k per grant

**Eligibility:** LMIC-based research teams

**Prep:** Submit a full proposal with emphasis on community-based participatory research design, clear policy relevance, and an evidence use plan.

**URL:** <https://www2.fundsforgos.org/individuals/cfps-climate-and-sexual-and-reproductive-health-and-rights/>

##### 4. CEPI - CFP-165: Innovative Analytical

**Technologies for Vaccine Release Speed, Cost and Deployment**

**Deadline:** 1 May 2026

**Focus:** Advancing analytical technologies that reduce the time, cost, and complexity of releasing manufactured vaccine products

**Indicative Grant Size:** \$200k - \$800k

**Eligibility:** Individual organisations or consortia developing analytical technologies globally

**Prep:** Submit application and budget using the provided templates

**URL:** <https://cepi.my.site.com/call-for-proposal?id=a1zP300000331AjIAI>

##### 5. WIOMSA and IUCN - Seagrass Research Grant

**Deadline:** 15 April 2026

**Focus:** Applied, policy-relevant research on seagrass ecosystem conservation, restoration, and governance in the Western Indian Ocean.

**Indicative Grant Size:** €150k - €300k total envelope. Indirect costs allowed up to 5 percent of total budget

**Eligibility:** At least a consortia of two institutions must submit a proposal.

**Prep:** Prep: Submit full proposal, consortium details, and budget using WIOMSA call guidelines

**URL:** <https://blog.wiomsa.net/2026/03/09/call-for-proposals-advancing-seagrass-science-policy-and-practice-in-the-western-indian-ocean/>

*UDSM researchers are highly encouraged to apply*