The British Council is inviting applications for creative commissions that bring together art, science and digital technology and offer innovative responses to climate change. The commissions will be part of the cultural programme in the build up to the United Nations Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP26), which the UK is hosting in Glasgow in November 2021. Invitation for collaborative applications submitted from individuals and organisations in the UK with partners from eligible countries and states overseas.

Applicants can apply for between £30,000 - £50,000 to realise their creative idea and we are looking to support up to 20 projects. We want these commissions to stimulate truly global conversations, bringing people from different countries, cultures and communities together to understand each other’s perspectives and work together on creative responses and solutions to climate change.

The call is most likely to be of interest to individuals and organisations involved in the arts, creative and cultural sectors, but the interdisciplinary, collaborative nature of this call - and the focus on youth, inclusion and the environment - means it is also relevant to wider audiences, e.g. universities, colleges and schools, ELT organisations, youth organisations, city planners, architects and designers, science and research organisations, and community and civil society organisations.

Applications are welcome from individuals and organisations in the UK with partners from the following eligible ODA countries and states overseas:

- Afghanistan
- Albania
- Algeria
- Argentina
- Armenia
- Azerbaijan
- Bangladesh
- Bosnia
- Botswana
- Brazil
- Myanmar
- China
- Colombia
- Cuba
- Egypt
- Ethiopia
- Georgia
- Ghana
- India
- Indonesia
- Iran
- Iraq
- Jamaica
- Jordan
- Kazakhstan
- Kenya
- Kosovo
- Lebanon
- Libya
- Macedonia
- Malawi
- Malaysia
- Mauritius
- Mexico
- Morocco
- Mozambique
- Namibia
- Nepal
- Nigeria
- Occupied
Palestinian Territories, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Rwanda, Senegal, Serbia & Montenegro, Sierra Leone, South Africa, South Sudan, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Syria, Tanzania, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkey, Uganda, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Venezuela, Vietnam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

The application deadline is Sunday 13 December 2020, 22.00 (GMT).

For more information on the open call, please visit: www.britishcouncil.org/arts/opportunities/open-call-creative-commissions.