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#### **UK Science and Research Funding Opportunities – THAILAND**

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#### Instructions

This document provides a summary of funding opportunities for UK researchers to collaborate with international partners, which Thailand is one of the eligible partners. UK funding opportunities are delivered across multiple departments and organisations, and the list below (**Table 1**) is not an exhaustive list. Applicants are advised to **read the guidance note** of each call in full details, which may require Co-PI from the UK and one other country, before submitting the application. For further queries, please contact relevant UK funders / delivery partners.

Summary of upcoming events:

- UK AI Week in Bangkok on 21-23 Jan 2025

Summary of funding available:

- Health: 8 programmes
- Climate: 3 programmes
- Humanities and Social Sciences: 4 programmes
- Capacity Strengthening: 6 programmes
- Innovation: 1 programme

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## Upcoming events by British Embassy Bangkok: UK AI Week in Bangkok 2025

# 31 21-23 January 2025

## P Renaissance Bangkok Ratchaprasong Hotel

Are you ready to unlock the transformative power of AI? UK AI Week 2025 is your gateway to the future of technology, offering an unparalleled opportunity to learn, connect, and collaborate with the brightest minds in the field.

## Key highlights:

- Day 1: AI Policy and Regulation: Delve into the ethical and legal frameworks shaping AI development.
- Day 2: AI Commercial and Collaboration: Discover how AI is transforming industries and driving business growth.
- Day 3: AI Research Collaboration: Explore cutting-edge research and contribute to the global AI knowledge base.

#### Why attend?

- Gain a competitive edge: Stay ahead of the curve with the latest Al trends and insights.
- Expand your knowledge: Learn from leading experts and explore cutting-edge research.
- Forge valuable connections: Network with industry leaders and potential collaborators.
- Shape the future of AI: Contribute to the conversation about AI's impact on society.

# Don't miss this chance to be a part of the AI revolution:

Registration by 12 Jan 2025 at https://bit.ly/3AZzpPn

(Limited seats available)



# Table 1.0 – List of Funding Opportunities

Theme	Health	Health	Health
Programme name	Climate and Mental Health Award: Uncovering mechanisms between heat and mental health	Biology of fungal adaptation	NIHR Global Health Research Short Placement Award for Research Collaboration - Round 5
Funder / Delivery partner	Wellcome	Wellcome	National Institute of Health and Care Research (NIHR)
Expected outcomes / Brief Description	Research project to advance understanding of biological, psychological, and/or social mechanism which heat affects mental health.	Research project to support breakthroughs, strengthen networks, and empower future leaders	To support a short bespoke placement, which include other NIHR GHR Programmes, to other overseas partner institutions.
Priority area / Scope	Relevant climate resilient and/or mental health interventions.	Mechanisms and triggers for fungal adaptation, particularly in environments that are associated with disease and/or impacted by climate change.	Open to NIHR GHR Academy Members – someone who receive funding from NIHR Global Health Research Programme
Budget	£1-3m	Up to £3m	£10,000
Duration	3 – 5 years	5 years	Activities to complete before 28 Feb 2026
Briefing	N/A	See link below	N/A
Link	https://wellcome.org/grant- funding/schemes/heat-and-mental-health- award	https://wellcome.org/grant- funding/schemes/biology-fungal- adaptation	https://www.nihr.ac.uk/funding/nihr-global- health-research-short-placement-award- research-collaboration-round-5/97034
Deadline	21 Jan 2025	28 Jan 2025	13 Feb 2025
Contact	climateandmentalhealth@wellcome.org	DiscoveryResearch@wellcome.org	academy-awards@nihr.ac.uk

Theme	Health	Health
Programme name	NIHR Global Health Research Cohort Academic Development Award - Round 4 (GHR CADA)	Climate and Health Award: Advancing climate mitigation solutions with health co- benefits in low- and middle-income countries
Funder / Delivery partner	National Institute of Health and Care Research (NIHR)	Wellcome
Expected outcomes / Brief Description	To deliver training and career development activities, to develop skills needed for a successful academic research career.	Evidence on the health effects of climate change mitigation interventions. This award will fund transdisciplinary research team.
Priority area / Scope	Open to all training leads, GHRPs in NIHR GHR Programmes with a contract end date after 31 December 2025	Health effects alongside, social and economic impacts of planned / implemented greenhouse gases mitigation strategies.
Budget	£30,000	£500,000 - £2m
Duration	Activities to complete before 28 Feb 2026	2-4
Briefing	N/A	See link below
Link	https://www.nihr.ac.uk/funding/nihr-global- health-research-cohort-academic- development-award-round-4/97035	https://wellcome.org/grant- funding/schemes/climate-mitigation- solutions-in-Imics
Deadline	13 Feb 2025	18 Feb 2025
Contact	academy-awards@nihr.ac.uk	climatemitigation@wellcome.org

Theme	Health	Health	Health
Programme name	Global Health Research – Health Policy and Systems bands 1 to 3 (GHR-HPS)	Global Advanced Fellowships Round 2	Global Health Research Professorship Round 9
Funder / Delivery partner	National Institute of Health and Care Research (NIHR)	National Institute of Health and Care Research (NIHR)	National Institute of Health and Care Research (NIHR)
Expected outcomes / Brief Description	Research to improve the understanding and effectiveness of health systems and health policy. Applications are eligible for macro, meso, and micro level.	Mid-career award to fund research projects, training and development, and institutional strengthening, to be research leaders	Funding for research leaders to promote effective translation of research.
Priority area / Scope	Any field of applied global health policy and systems research	Any field of applied global health research	Any field of applied global health research
Budget	<ul> <li>Band 1 (Established partnerships):</li> <li>£2-4m</li> <li>Band 2 (Developing partnerships): £0.8-2m</li> <li>Band 3 (New partnerships): £0.25-8m</li> </ul>	To be announced in April 2025	To be announced in Sep 2025
Duration	Up to 5 years		
Briefing	20 Jan 2025 – Register in the link below.	-	
Link	https://www.nihr.ac.uk/funding/global- health-research-health-policy-and- systems-bands-1-3/97033	Last year website: https://www.nihr.ac.uk/career- development/research-career-funding- programmes/postdoctoral/global- advanced-fellowship	Last year website: <u>https://www.nihr.ac.uk/career-</u> <u>development/research-career-funding-</u> <u>programmes/professorships-and-senior-</u> <u>investigators/global-health-research-</u> <u>professorship</u>
Deadline	Open on 26 Feb 2025, and close on 18 June 2025	Open in April 2025	Open in Sep 2025
Contact	nihrglobalhealth@nihr.ac.uk	nihrglobalhealth@nihr.ac.uk.	nihrglobalhealth@nihr.ac.uk

Theme	Climate	Climate	Climate
Programme name	Research Grant Competition 3 (RGC3)	OCEAN Community Grants	OCEAN Partnerships Grants
Funder / Delivery partner	Global Centre on Biodiversity for Climate Change	Defra	Defra
Expected outcomes / Brief Description	Research project to address poverty alleviation and climate resilience, focusing on approaches that better value, protect, restore and sustainably manage biodiversity.	Projects that work to protect the marine environment and reduce poverty. Proposals from in-country organisations that work directly with coastal communities are particularly encouraged.	Projects that aim to reduce multi- dimensional poverty in ways which contribute to the protection, restoration, and/or benefit of the marine environment and its biodiversity
Priority area / Scope	Theme 1: Using biodiversity to improve the climate resilience of agricultural, food and bioeconomy value chains' Theme 2: Biodiversity hotspots in Small Island Developing States (SIDS)	Poverty reduction and protect marine environment. Focus on meeting the needs of small- to medium-sized local organisations.	Poverty reduction and protect marine environment. Focus on meeting the needs of medium to large established organisations that work with locally-led organisations.
Budget	£100,000 - £1m	Up to £250,000	£500,000 to 3m
Duration	12 – 36 months	Up to 31 Mar 2029	Up to 31 Mar 2029
Briefing	N/A	N/A	N/A
Link	https://www.gcbc.org.uk/grants/	https://oceangrants.org.uk/apply/community- grants/	https://oceangrants.org.uk/apply/partnership- grants/
Deadline	Open in Feb 2025	17 Feb 2025	13 Jan 2025
Contact	https://www.gcbc.org.uk/about-the- global-centre-on-biodiversity-for- climate/#contact-us	helpdesk@oceangrants.org.uk	helpdesk@oceangrants.org.uk

Theme	Humanities and Social Sciences	Humanities and Social Sciences	Humanities and Social Sciences
Programme name	International Writing Workshops	ODA Global Innovation Fellowships: C40 2025	ODA Global Innovation Fellowships 2025 (Remote)
Funder / Delivery partner	DSIT ISPF / British Academy	DSIT ISPF / British Academy	DSIT ISPF / British Academy
Expected outcomes / Brief Description	To develop professional networks and mentorship and provide access for early career researchers in developing countries to the academic requirements of high- impact journals.	To develop partnerships with C40 city partners. Outputs include evidence notes, data analysis, briefing to conference and workshops for knowledge exchange.	To develop partnerships in creative and cultural, public, private and/or policy sectors, develop approaches and solutions to societal, cultural, commercial and/or policy challenges. Outputs include evidence notes, data analysis, briefing to conference and workshops for knowledge exchange.
Priority area / Scope	Social sciences and humanities	<ul> <li>Applications are invited in any of the following areas:</li> <li>Cities, Climate &amp; Housing</li> <li>Cities, Climate &amp; Health</li> <li>Cities and a Green &amp; Just Transition</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>International activity focused in the creative and cultural, public, private and policy settings. The following fields are eligible:</li> <li>Environment, Sustainability &amp; Nature</li> <li>Transformative Technologies</li> <li>Health &amp; Wellbeing</li> <li>Cities &amp; Urbanisation</li> <li>Global Order, Geopolitics and International Affairs</li> </ul>
Budget	£30,000	£120,000 – hosed in C40 in London	£120,000
Duration	24 months	12 months	12 months
Briefing	4 and 11 Nov 2025 – See link below	N/A	N/A
Link	https://www.thebritishacademy.ac.uk/fundi ng/writing-workshops/	https://www.thebritishacademy.ac.uk/fu nding/oda-global-innovation- fellowships-c40-2025/	https://www.thebritishacademy.ac.uk/funding/ oda-global-innovation-fellowships-2025- remote/
Deadline	29 Jan 2025	19 Feb 2025	19 Feb 2025
Contact	international@thebritishacademy.ac.uk	international@thebritishacademy.ac.uk	international@thebritishacademy.ac.uk

Theme	Humanities and Social Sciences		
Programme name	Evidence-informed policymaking grants		
Funder / Delivery partner	DSIT ISPF / British Academy		
Expected outcomes / Brief Description	<ul> <li>Grant to support research to develop evidence-base for policy-making, particularly</li> <li>Research related to how evidence use theory and research has been implemented in practice</li> <li>Research or research-based activities related to knowledge systems strengthening and/or organisational change to support evidence use in practice.</li> <li>Knowledge systems strengthening and/or organisational change to support evidence use in practice.</li> </ul>		
Priority area / Scope	<ul> <li>The following fields are eligible:</li> <li>Environment, Sustainability &amp; Nature</li> <li>Transformative Technologies</li> <li>Health &amp; Wellbeing</li> <li>Cities &amp; Urbanisation</li> <li>Global Order, Geopolitics and International Affairs</li> </ul>		
Budget	£150,000		
Duration	12 months		
Briefing	N/A		
Link	https://www.thebritishacademy.ac.uk/funding/evidence- informed-policymaking-grants/		
Deadline	19 Feb 2025		
Contact	international@thebritishacademy.ac.uk		

Theme	Capacity Strengthening / Networking / Mobility / Research skills	Capacity Strengthening / Networking / Mobility / Research skills	Capacity Strengthening / Networking / Mobility / Research skills
Programme name	GREAT Scholarships	Southeast Asia-UK gender challenge grants	Early-career Research Awards
Funder / Delivery partner	British Council	British Council and SEAMEO RIHED	Wellcome
Expected outcomes / Brief Description	Scholarship for one-tear taught postgraduate courses for 2025-26 academic year	Research on gender equity, diversity, and inclusion (GEDI) between HEIs in SEA and UK	Funding for early-career researchers to develop research identity, innovative projects to deliver shifts in understanding related to human life, health, and wellbeing.
Priority area / Scope	Eligible courses differ for eligible 17 universities	Projects to address GEDI issues in higher education institutions, and foster evidence- based decision-making. [Call open to the 35 Southeast Asian higher education institutions participating in the project and all UK higher education institutions]	
Budget	£10,000 (tuition fee)	£15,000	£400,000
Duration	1 year taught post-graduate course	-	Usually 5 years
Briefing	N/A	N/A	N/A
Link	https://study- uk.britishcouncil.org/scholarships- funding/great-scholarships/thailand	https://opportunities- insight.britishcouncil.org/short- articles/opportunities/southeast-asia-uk- gender-challenge-grants	https://wellcome.org/grant- funding/schemes/early-career-awards
Deadline	Deadline differ based on universities	26 Jan 2025	25 Feb 2025
Contact	Contact differ based on universities	sumyatnoe@rihed.seameo.org	https://wellcome.org/who-we-are/contact- us/funding-enquiry

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Theme	Capacity Strengthening / Networking / Mobility / Research skills	Capacity Strengthening / Networking / Mobility / Research skills	Capacity Strengthening / Networking / Mobility / Research skills
Programme name	Career Development Awards	Discovery Awards	Faraday Discovery Fellowships (Open later in Aug 2025)
Funder / Delivery partner	Wellcome	Wellcome	DSIT / Royal Society
Expected outcomes / Brief Description	Funding for midcareer researchers to develop research and innovation to deliver shifts in understanding related to human life, health, and wellbeing.	Funding for established researchers to pursue ideas to deliver shifts in understanding related human, health, and wellbeing	Support emerging research leaders to be based in the UK, and fund high-quality original, long-term research
Priority area / Scope	Any disciplines, aligning with Wellcome Discovery Research theme, with potential to improve human life, health and wellbeing	Any disciplines, aligning with Wellcome Discovery Research theme, with potential to improve human life, health and wellbeing	All areas of STEM covered by <u>Royal</u> <u>Society Remit</u>
Budget	£250,000	On average £3.5m	Max £8
Duration	Usually 8 years	Up to 8 years	10 years
Briefing	N/A	See link below	N/A
Link	https://wellcome.org/grant- funding/schemes/career-development- awards	https://wellcome.org/grant- funding/schemes/discovery-awards	https://royalsociety.org/grants/faraday- discovery-fellowships/
Deadline	3 Apr 2025	8 Apr 2025	To be announced later
Contact	https://wellcome.org/who-we-are/contact- us/funding-enquiry	https://wellcome.org/who-we-are/contact- us/funding-enquiry	faraday@royalsociety.org

Theme	Innovation
Programme name	Global Innovation Fund
Funder / Delivery partner	Global Innovation Fund
Expected outcomes / Brief Description	Funding to support new innovation that tackles and improve the lives of people living in poverty. The innovation must be scalable.
Priority area / Scope	Adaptation and resilience to climate change, especially targeting people living on less than \$5 a day.
Budget	Pilot: 230,000 USD Test & Transition: Up to 2.3m USD
	Scale: Up to 15m USD
Duration	-
Briefing	N/A
Link	https://www.globalinnovation.fund/apply- for-funding
Deadline	15 Jan 2025
Contact	hello@globalinnovation.fund

#### Table 2 – Communication Channels

Funding Opportunity Finder	UUKi	https://shorturl.at/bSEx0
	UKCDR	https://ukcdr.org.uk/funding-calls/
	Gov.uk	https://www.gov.uk/international-development-funding
E-newsletter	ISPF	Email 'Newsletter' to ISPFenquiries@odamanagement.org
	NIHR	NIHR (list-manage.com)
	British Council Thailand	https://www.britishcouncil.or.th/en/thai-uk-education-connect
Social media	DSIT Twitter	https://twitter.com/SciTechgovuk
Linkedin	FCDO RED	https://uk.linkedin.com/company/fcdo-research-science-and- innovation