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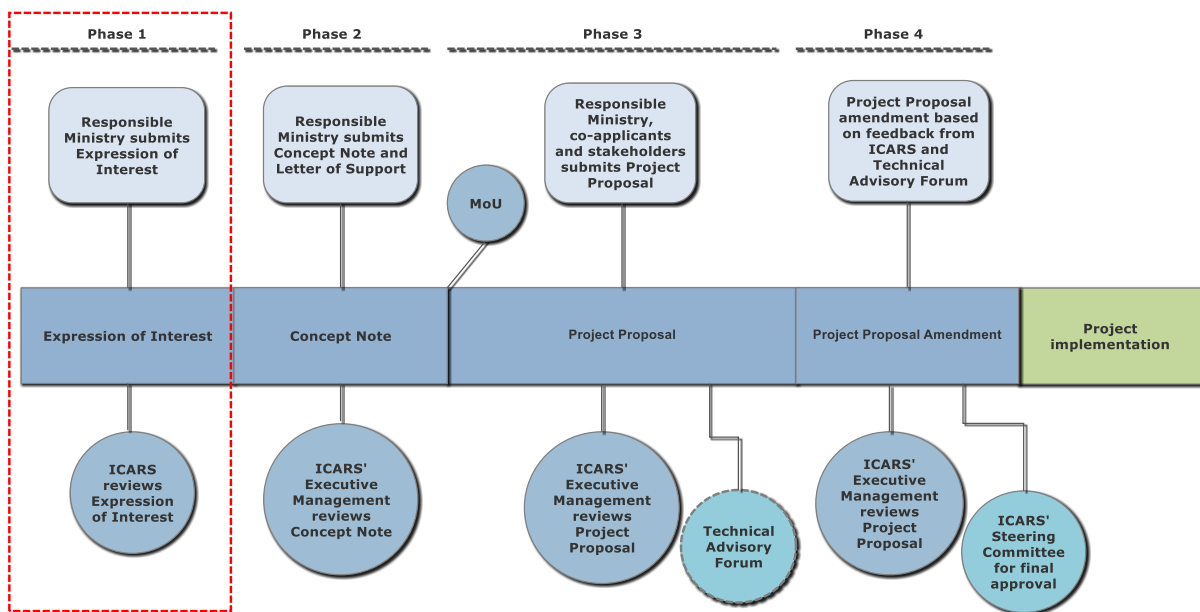
1. Introduction

The purpose of this document is to provide guidance on the development of the Expression of Interest (phase 1) as illustrated in Figure 1.

Countries interested in partnering with and getting support from ICARS to develop a research project should submit an Expression of Interest (EoI) to ICARS through their relevant ministries. If conditions are met, the Responsible Ministry (or ministries) will be invited to submit a Concept Note (phase 2). For information about the application process as a whole, please see the *Framework for ICARS' Demonstration Projects*.

The Responsible Ministry should ensure that the EoI comply with what is stated in this guideline, in the templates provided, and in the *Framework for ICARS' Demonstration Projects*. If in doubt, please contact ICARS at contact@icars-global.org.

FIGUR 1. PHASE DESCRIBED IN THIS GUIDELINE





2. Developing the EoI

The EoI consists of a cover letter (no template provided) from the Responsible Ministry and a brief description of the proposed Intervention or Implementation Research project. The description must include a brief justification for the research project in the context of the country's AMR National Action Plan (NAP). The EoI must also include a description of the proposed focus area and the intervention to be tested. The envisaged impact of the intervention on AMR should be stated together with a brief description of how the intervention will be sustainably scaled-up based on the proof of concept from the demonstration project. The Responsible Ministry should coordinate the development of the EoI.

When developing the description of the proposed Intervention or Implementation Research project, the Responsible Ministry must use the template provided in Appendix 1.1. The description must not exceed 2 A4 pages using Verdana font size 9 and 1.5 line spacing.

TABLE 1. EXPRESSION OF INTEREST CONTENT

Heading	Content
<i>Date of submission</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Date of submission of the EoI.
<i>Country</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Name of the country.
<i>Responsible Ministry</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Name of the Responsible Ministry (or ministries) submitting the EoI. Name of the department within the ministry responsible for the EoI.
<i>Point of contact</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Name and contact details of the point of contact at the Responsible Ministry (or ministries).
<i>Brief justification in the context of the NAP on AMR</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe the justification of the research project. Describe the need as identified in the AMR NAP and related national strategies, which the research project would address to prevent, contain or mitigate AMR.
<i>Proposed focus area and intervention</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe the proposed focus areas for the research project. Describe the proposed intervention to be tested. Describe the envisaged impact on AMR in the context of the NAP. Describe how the intervention is intended to be sustainably scaled up based on the proof of concept from the demonstration project.
<i>Documentation</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> List the documentation that supports the need for the research project (AMR NAP and/or any other documentation).

3. Assessment Criteria

The EoI will be assessed by ICARS based on the following criteria (Table 2.).

TABLE 2. ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

Assessment criteria
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is the justification well-articulated and does it provide a strong rationale/motivation for the research project?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is the need for the research project reflected in the country's AMR NAP and/or other country strategies?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is the proposed intervention to be tested clearly articulated?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is there a vision for sustainable scale-up?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is the research project aligned with ICARS' core principles?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is the research project using Intervention and Implementation Research as its framework?