

# BRIN – KONEKSI Joint Call for Peer Reviewer Indonesia’s Bioeconomy: Maximising Sustainable Marine Biodiversity Utilisation 2024

## Academic Peer Reviewer Fact Sheet

BRIN and KONEKSI (referred to as The Secretariat) seeks **qualified** and **experienced** individuals in all disciplines and sectors, with strong emphasis placed on multi-disciplinary and cross-disciplinary expertise as generalist and specialist reviewers who are able to make a fair, independent and informed judgement on research.

**Timeline for registration** for reviewers is 21 June – 26 July 2024

**Reviewers are expected to be available for review through the period of** 16 September – 2 October 2024

**Payment for Peer Reviewers: The Secretariat will use the Australian Research Council standard rate of AUD 90.90/per proposal.**

All assessors will be required to undertake the following:

- (i) Familiarise themselves with the Peer Review Guidelines and Assessment Rubric (available after being contracted to maintain confidentiality) and attend the Peer Review Briefing session (to be conducted by the Secretariat in early September 2024).
- (ii) Comply with the Secretariat’s Peer Reviewer Guidelines and Conflict of Interest process.
- (iii) Consider the Secretariat application, assign the scores and comments against the approved and relevant assessment criteria.

**Selection of peer reviewers** will be conducted using the Secretariat Selection Criteria for Peer Reviewers.

The **Selection Criteria** for the Academic Peer Reviewers is the following:

- (i) Hold a PhD and have 10 years research experience; or 10 years of experience in industry (in R+D areas)
- (ii) Demonstrated experience of research funding assessment.
- (iii) Not applying for BRIN-KONEKSI Joint Call for Proposals : Indonesia’s Bioeconomy: Maximising Sustainable Marine Biodiversity Utilisation 2024 (not listed on a proposal).

The Secretariat follows the [Australian Research Council](#) approach of utilising a specialist and a generalist peer reviewer to assess each application. A total of **two peer reviewers** per application will be utilised. This is to ensure that the assessment criteria can be considered from all perspectives.

- **Specialist reviewers** are discipline-specific specialist expertise relevant to the application.
- **Generalist reviewers** are experts in their fields, have relevant expertise to the application, and can provide general assessment of the application.

## Review Process

The peer review process constitutes one part of the overall selection process. In the first part, the Secretariat undertakes a general screening of application to ensure that they fit the eligibility criteria and meet the due diligence requirements. The subsequent peer review process ensures that the technical merit of application is assessed by independent academic experts. These recommendations are then scrutinised against funding availability and the Secretariat goals and final decisions are made.

### *Overview assessment of grant applications*

<b>Expression of Interest (Stage 1)</b>
<b>The Secretariat</b> will undertake the assessment of each organisation that submits an Expression of Interest. The Secretariat will reject or approve project concepts based on the EOI assessment criteria.
<b>Full Proposal (Stage 2)</b>
<b>STEP 1: The Secretariat</b> Undertakes a general assessment of proposals and budget, due diligence, and security checks.
<b>STEP 2: Peer review</b> Peer review of the technical component is conducted by Indonesian and Australia research experts. They will assess the technical proposal and budget against the assessment criteria. Incomplete applications will not be assessed.
<b>Grant Decisions are made</b> Based on the peer review results, the Secretariat will prepare a list of top-ranked proposal to be proposed to the BRIN–DFAT Technical Committee for approval. Upon no-objection, the Government of Indonesia and Australia will then endorse the funding and priority of successful grants.

## Applications

Interested experts are to apply on <http://bit.ly/BRINKONEKSIJointCall>

Please find more information about the BRIN - KONEKSI Joint Call on Indonesia's Bioeconomy: Maximising Sustainable Marine Biodiversity Utilisation 2024 on the websites of BRIN Pendanaan and KONEKSI at <https://pendanaan-risnov.brin.go.id/> and <http://bit.ly/BRINKONEKSIJointCall>.