

# University Museums: Opportunities and Challenges for international research

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One of 7 UK research councils

Annual budget of c. £102 million from the government to support research and postgraduate study in the arts and humanities

From April this year, **United Kingdom Research and Innovation** (UKRI) brings together the seven existing research councils, as well as Innovate UK and the Research and Knowledge Exchange functions of the Higher Education Funding Council for England (HEFC), in one unified body

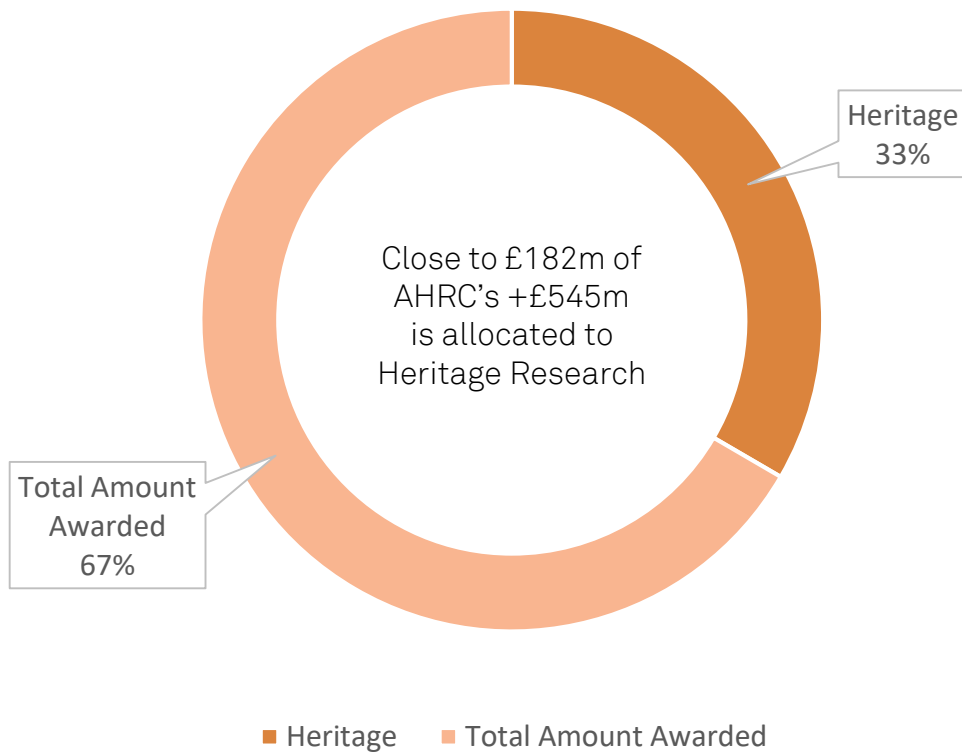
Design

Heritage

Modern Languages

“Working with the AHRC, the heritage **research** community, and heritage **partner organisations** to draw together and stimulate the development of a wide range of research across the arts and humanities that makes a contribution to **understanding** heritage and its intersections with key **global challenges**. We aim to support the **interconnections** between research, policy and practice, both in the UK and **internationally**.”

The Total Fund Amount Awarded to Heritage Awards  
2009-2018



- From 2009, the AHRC received over 9,000 applications
- Over 3,100 applications were funded
- The AHRC has awarded over half a billion pounds in research funding
- The majority of applications are submitted to Research Grants in Thematic Mode, which has a 32% success rate.
- Research Grants in Responsive mode has a 28% success rate.

## Opportunities for international research across all schemes

- International Co-Investigators on research grants
- International Partner Organisations
- Research overseas
- Involving international collaborators in networking schemes

- Community-Led Strategies for Creative and Heritage based Interventions in Sub-Saharan Africa – GCRF Network Plus Call (contemporary slavery), closes 15/08/18 <https://ahrc.ukri.org/funding/apply-for-funding/current-opportunities/community-led-strategies-for-creative-and-heritage-based-interventions-in-sub-saharan-africa/>
- TaSE Call: Human – Environment Interactions and the Sustainable Development Goals – AHRC/NERC/ESRC, closes 31/07/18 <https://ahrc.ukri.org/funding/apply-for-funding/current-opportunities/tase-human-environment-interactions-and-sustainable-development-goals/>
- AHRC Smithsonian Fellowships in Digital Scholarship, closes 26/07/18 <https://ahrc.ukri.org/funding/apply-for-funding/current-opportunities/fellowships-in-digital-scholarship/>
- Nahrein Network Research Grants Call – GCRF collaborations between Iraqi and UK Organisations, closes 15/12/18 <https://ahrc.ukri.org/funding/apply-for-funding/current-opportunities/nahrein-network-research-grant-awards/>
- Collaborative Doctoral Partnership Call (closes 13/09/18)

## AHRC HERITAGE STRATEGIC PRIORITY AREA: FUTURE DIRECTIONS

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Strategic Objectives and Framework

Four cross-cutting and interconnected objectives are identified which will inform AHRC's future strategy for heritage research:

- To further develop heritage research as an innovative and broad cross-disciplinary field
- To extend collaborations, partnerships, knowledge exchange and pathways to impact in heritage research
- To strengthen global interconnections in heritage research
- To enhance research capability for heritage research as a cross-disciplinary and collaborative field of enquiry
- Online at <https://heritage-research.org/2018/04/06/359/>



# AHRC HERITAGE STRATEGIC PRIORITY AREA: FUTURE DIRECTIONS

Values and cultural heritage

Community and Public Engagement, Inclusion and Diverse Heritages

Sustainable management of heritages

Future Heritages, New Uses/Re-Use of Heritages and Exploiting the potential of Digital and other Technologies

Intangible, emerging, hidden and contested heritages

Changing Heritage Economies

Heritage, Contested Pasts and Conflict

Global heritages and international development

*A BEIS initiative operating delivery partners including the Research Councils, National Academies and HEFCE*

‘aims to encourage and support new and existing **partnerships** between UK and developing country researchers, national/international development agencies & policy-makers’

‘allows **UK research excellence** to be deployed in a strategic and coherent way to understand and suggest solutions to the most significant and complex problems’

strengthens **research capability**

promotes ‘meaningful and equitable relationships between UK research institutions and **developing country partners**’

# THE GCRF'S 12 PRIORITY AREAS

Secure and resilient **food systems** supported by sustainable marine resources and agriculture

Sustainable **health** and well being

Inclusive and equitable quality **education**

**Clean** air, water and sanitation

**Affordable, reliable and sustainable** energy

Sustainable **cities and communities**

Sustainable **livelihoods** supported by strong foundations for inclusive economic growth and innovation

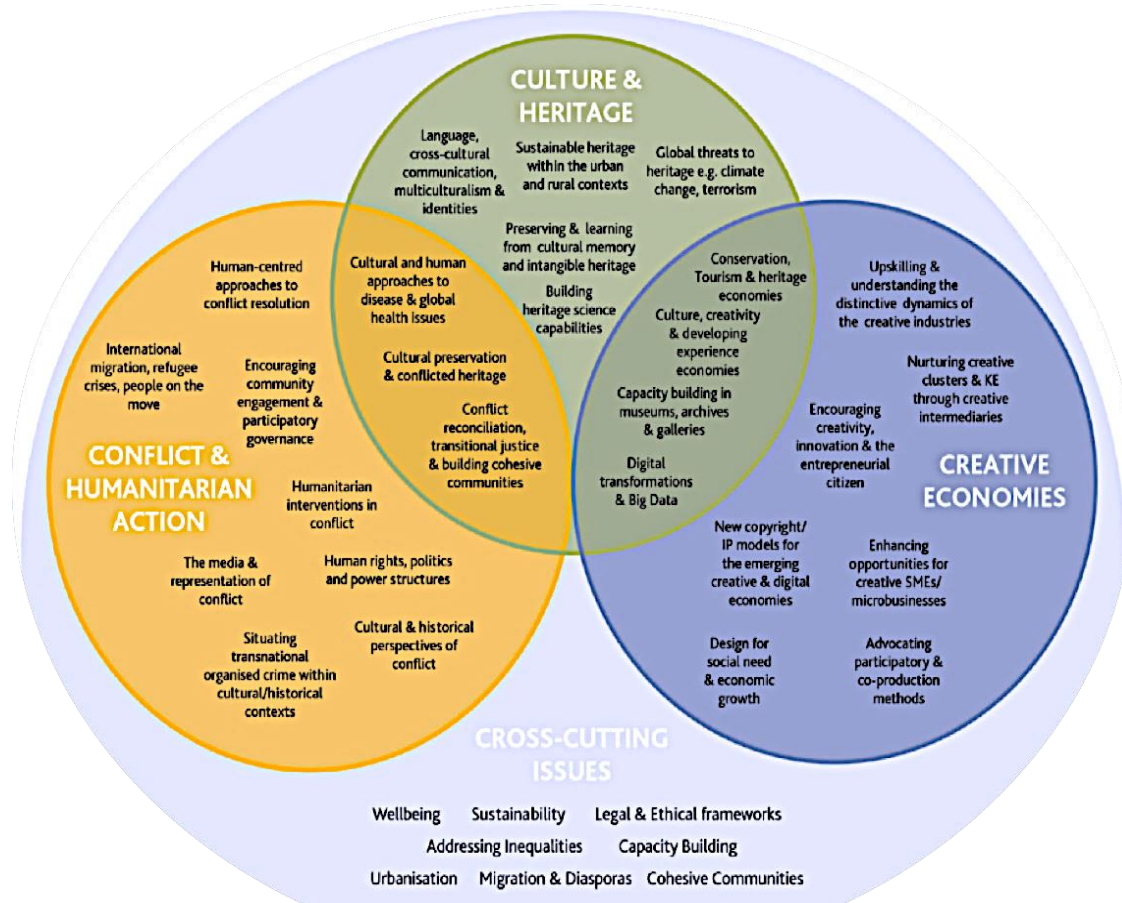
Sustainable **production** and **consumption** of materials and resources

Resilience and action on short-term **environmental** shocks and long-term environmental change

Understand and effectively respond to forced **displacement** and multiple refugee crises

Reduce conflict and promote **peace, justice and humanitarian** action

Reduce **poverty and inequality**, including gender inequalities



## HERITAGE RESEARCH GCRF



## STRENGTHENING CAPACITY FOR CHALLENGE-LED RESEARCH IN THE UK & DEVELOPING COUNTRIES



## HERITAGE MATTERS: CULTURE & DEVELOPMENT IN THE PACIFIC



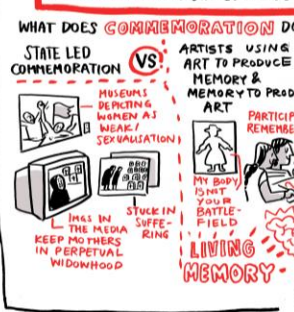
## REFLECTING ON THE RIVER



## STRENGTHENING CAPACITY FOR CHALLENGE-LED RESEARCH IN THE UK & DEVELOPING COUNTRIES



## DEBATING, PERFORMING & CURATING SYMBOLIC REPARATIONS AND TRANSFORMATIVE GENDER JUSTICE IN POST-CONFLICT SOCIETIES



## RESTRICTED ACCESS PILOT PROJECT



## THE VALUE OF CULTURE IN CONFLICT



## PLURAL HERITAGES OF ISTANBUL



## CO-DEVELOPING A METHOD FOR ASSESSING THE PSYCHOLOGICAL IMPACT OF CULTURAL INTERVENTION WITH DISPLACED PEOPLE





HERITAGE RESEARCH			The UK in Europe		
Climate Change			Nature, Culture & Posthumanities		
	Inclusion, Exclusion & Diversity		Future Heritages	Data, Technology & Social Change	
Sustainable & Unsustainable Development			Global Challenges Research Fund		



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