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8 April 2024

Dear [REDACTED],

**Freedom of Information request: FOI2024/00223**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on the 13 March in which you requested the following:

**Your request:**

*Please could you provide funding outcome results details regarding the calls for:*

- UK-Germany Bilateral: Collaborative R&D - 2023
- UK-South Korea Collaborative R&D Round 2 - 2023

*Data requested to consider for both funding calls:*

1. The number of applications.
2. The number of assessed applications.
3. The number of successful applications.
4. The success rate.
5. The minimum successful score.
6. The maximum successful score.
7. Maximum score of failed applications.
8. Average grant fund value per project.
9. Average score of funded projects.
10. The score distributions of the applications (e.g. % (or number) of applications which scored <70, 70.1-75, 75.1-80, 80.1-85, 85.1-90, 90.1-95, 95.1-100).
11. The count of assessed applications by innovation area.
12. The count of successful projects by innovation area for each strand.
13. The count of assessed applications by research category (feasibility studies, industrial research, experimental development).
14. The count of successful projects by research category.
15. The number of unsuccessful applications, if any, which scored above the minimum funded score.

**Our response**

I can confirm that UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) hold information relevant to your request. Please see the information below.

Tables 1 to 6 relate to UK-Germany Bilateral: Collaborative R&D – 2023.

**Table 1: Questions 1-9 and 15**

Question	Total
1. The number of applications submitted.	37
2. The number of assessed applications.	26
3. The number of successful applications.	7

4. The success rate.	27%
5. The minimum successful score. <sup>1</sup>	78.2
6. The maximum successful score. <sup>1</sup>	86.20
7. Maximum score of failed applications. <sup>1</sup>	86.60
8. Average grant fund value per project. <sup>2</sup>	£329,048.43
9. Average score of funded projects. <sup>1,3</sup>	82.17
15. The number of unsuccessful applications, if any, which scored above the minimum funded score. <sup>4</sup>	4

<sup>1</sup> All scores are the written assessment scores and are given as percentages. A Portfolio Approach, as stated in the competition brief support guidance section, was applied as part of assessment decisions made jointly between Innovate UK and the overseas funding partner for this bilateral competition. Further information on the portfolio approach can be found at the [Innovate UK General Guidance](#)<sup>1</sup> webpage.

<sup>2</sup> Average value of funding sought for 'successful' applications at the assessment stage

<sup>3</sup> Figures are based on 'successful' applications at the assessment stage, 'successful' applications are still subject to due diligence process and may not be funded

<sup>4</sup> The number of unsuccessful applications with a score greater than or equal to the minimum score of successful applications

**Table 2: Question 10. The score distributions of the applications (e.g. % (or number) of applications which scored <70, 70.1-75, 75.1-80, 80.1-85, 85.1-90, 90.1-95, 95.1-100).**

Score <sup>1</sup> Range	Num- ber	Percent- age
<=70	8	30.77%
70.1-75	5	19.23%
75.1-80	4	15.38%
80.1-85	7	26.92%
85.1-90	2	7.69%
90.1-95	0	0.00%
95.1-100	0	0.00%
	26	

<sup>1</sup> All scores are the written assessment scores and are given as percentages

**Table 3 Question 11. The count of assessed applications by innovation area.**

Innovation Area	Total number
Advanced therapies	1
Digital manufacturing	1
Surface engineering, coatings and thin films	1
Surface engineering	1
Marine transport	1
Biosciences	1
Diagnostics, medical technology and devices	2
Preclinical technologies and drug target discovery	1
Emerging technology	2
Therapeutic and medicine development	1
Robotics and autonomous systems	1
Sustainable materials	1

<sup>1</sup> [https://www.ukri.org/councils/innovate-uk/guidance-for-applicants/general-guidance/what-happens-after-you-have-submitted-your-application/?\\_ga=2.196198060.1459200535.1710347606-156671975.1704975370#contents-list](https://www.ukri.org/councils/innovate-uk/guidance-for-applicants/general-guidance/what-happens-after-you-have-submitted-your-application/?_ga=2.196198060.1459200535.1710347606-156671975.1704975370#contents-list)

Digital industries	1
Energy and automotive	1
Digital health	2
Smart infrastructure	1
Energy efficiency	1
Aerospace	2
Additive layer manufacturing (ALM)	1
Digital technology	1
Energy - other	1
Energy systems	1

**Table 4 Question 12. The count of successful applications (NOT projects) by innovation area for each strand.**

Innovation Area	Total number
Advanced therapies	1
Digital manufacturing	1
Surface engineering, coatings and thin films	1
Surface engineering	1
Marine transport	1
Biosciences	1
Diagnostics, medical technology and devices	1
Preclinical technologies and drug target discovery	0
Emerging technology	0
Therapeutic and medicine development	0
Robotics and autonomous systems	0
Sustainable materials	0
Digital industries	0
Energy and automotive	0
Digital health	0
Smart infrastructure	0
Energy efficiency	0
Aerospace	0
Additive layer manufacturing (ALM)	0
Digital technology	0
Energy - other	0
Energy systems	0

**Table 5 Question 13. The count of assessed applications by research category**

Research Category	Total number
Industrial research	24
Feasibility studies	1
Experimental development	1

**Table 6 Question 14. The count of successful applications by research category**

Research Category	Total number
Industrial research	7

Feasibility studies	0
Experimental development	0

Tables 7 to 10 relate to UK-South Korea Collaborative R&D Round 2 - 2023

**Table 7: Questions 1-9 and 15**

Question	Total
1. The number of applications submitted.	34
2. The number of assessed applications.	24
3. The number of successful applications.	7
4. The success rate.	29%
5. The score of the lowest scoring funded project.	70.8
6. The score of the highest scoring funded project.	87.4
7. Maximum score of failed applications. <sup>1</sup>	85.8
8. Average grant fund value per project. <sup>2</sup>	£414,679.86
9. Average score of funded projects. <sup>1,3</sup>	78.23
15. The number of unsuccessful applications, if any, which scored above the minimum funded score. <sup>4</sup>	10

<sup>1</sup> All scores are the written assessment scores and are given as percentages. A Portfolio Approach, as stated in the competition brief support guidance section, was applied as part of assessment decisions made jointly between Innovate UK and the overseas funding partner for this bilateral competition. Further information on the portfolio approach can be found at the [Innovate UK General Guidance<sup>2</sup>](#) webpage.

<sup>2</sup> Average value of funding sought for 'successful' applications at the assessment stage

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<sup>4</sup> The number of unsuccessful applications with a score greater than or equal to the minimum score of successful applications

**Table 8: Question 10. The score distributions of the applications (e.g. % (or number) of applications which scored <70, 70.1-75, 75.1-80, 80.1-85, 85.1-90, 90.1-95, 95.1-100).**

Score <sup>1</sup> Range	Number	Percentage
<=70	7	29.17%
70.1-75	9	37.50%
75.1-80	5	20.83%
80.1-85	1	4.17%
85.1-90	2	8.33%
90.1-95	0	0.00%
95.1-100	0	0.00%
	24	

<sup>1</sup> All scores are the written assessment scores and are given as percentages

**Table 9: Question 11. The count of assessed applications by innovation area.**

Innovation Area	Total number
Advanced Manufacturing & Materials	7
Artificial Intelligence	11
Future Mobility	4
Energy Storage Systems	1

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Hydrogen	1
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>24</b>

**Table 10: Question 12. The count of successful applications (NOT projects) by innovation area for each strand.**

Innovation Area	Total number
Advanced Manufacturing & Materials	2
Artificial Intelligence	2
Future Mobility	2
Hydrogen	1
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>7</b>

**Table 11: Question 13. The count of assessed applications by research category (feasibility studies, industrial research, experimental development).**

Research Category	Total number
Industrial research	24
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>24</b>

**Table 12: Question 14. The count of successful projects by research category.**

Research Category	Total number
Industrial research	7
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>7</b>

If you have any queries regarding our response or you are unhappy with the outcome of your request and wish to seek an internal review of the decision, please contact within the next 40 working days:

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