

**AIACC Supplemental Grants Program
for
Capacity Building and Stakeholder Participation**

Call for Proposals

Eligibility: **Only** Principal Investigators (PIs) of AIACC regional studies that have already received an AIACC award may apply for grants under this program.

Applications
Accepted: Beginning immediately.

Application
Deadline: June 30, 2004

Award
Amounts: Maximum award of \$15,000 to an AIACC study team. Larger awards possible for joint proposals submitted by multiple teams.

Apply By: Email to <aiacc@agu.org>

AIACC participants are invited to submit proposals for assistance for activities that would (i) build scientific capacity for application in their AIACC regional study and/or (ii) enhance stakeholder engagement in their study. Proposals must be submitted by the study PI. Proposals will be reviewed and award decisions made as soon as feasible after receipt of a proposal.

Funding for this Supplemental Grants Program of the AIACC Project is provided by the United States Agency for International Development and the Global Environment Facility.

Up to \$15,000 is available to each AIACC regional study for supplemental grants. However, PIs may submit a proposal jointly with PIs from other AIACC studies for larger amounts for activities that would involve participants from multiple studies (e.g. a joint training program). Such joint proposals are particularly encouraged. Proposals are also encouraged that would increase the involvement of stakeholders in AIACC studies, result in incorporation of AIACC outputs in second national communications and establish links between research and policy communities that would endure beyond the AIACC Project.

Examples of activities that might be funded under this program include, but are not limited to:

- Development and implementation of an intensive training course in selected methods for participants from multiple AIACC study teams;
- Integration of AIACC study participants and AIACC results into national communications under UNFCCC;
- Develop and sustain a local or regional network of researchers, policy makers, resource managers and other stakeholders for dialogue about climate change vulnerabilities and adaptation responses;

- Site visits by team members to research institutions to work with other experts and gain expertise in methods, models, data analysis etc for assessment of climate change impacts, adaptations, and vulnerabilities;
- Site visits by outside experts (including but not limited to AIACC Mentors) to the home institution of an AIACC team to work with and/or train team members;
- Joint workshops with other AIACC project teams to share expertise and solutions to common problems, facilitate cross-project synthesis, and engage with policy makers and other relevant stakeholders;
- Workshops and other activities to engage stakeholders throughout the assessment process (e.g. to participate in definition of assessment objectives, design of assessment work plan, identification of climate related risks and information needs, identification and evaluation of adaptation options, communication and interpretation of preliminary and final results);
- Surveys, focus groups and other methods to solicit information and views from relevant stakeholders; and
- Participation in relevant training courses offered by other institutions;

Proposals to simply attend conferences will not be funded.

Proposals for AIACC Supplemental Grants will be reviewed by the AIACC Technical Committee. Criteria for evaluating proposals include:

- Anticipated benefit to junior scientists;
- Anticipated benefit to successful implementation of AIACC regional studies;
- Anticipated benefit to stakeholders and potential users of study results (for example, likely success in integrating AIACC results into national communications);
- Appropriateness of the requested budget for the proposed activities;
- Compliance of the regional assessment team with reporting and other requirements of their original AIACC grant.

Proposals should be brief (3 pages **maximum**) and should include:

- 1) Name of the PI(s)
- 2) AIACC Project code(s)
- 3) Amount requested
- 4) Proposed dates of activity
- 5) Main objectives and justification for the activity
- 6) Description of the activity (including numbers and names of participants if known)
- 7) Budget and budget narrative