



Identification and prioritization of interventions to curb AMR in the Latin America and Caribbean Region

Request for Proposals

Terms of Reference

Deadline: 31-01-2023, at 22.00 CET

1. Background – ICARS Overview

ICARS mission is to partner with Low- and Middle-Income countries' (LMICs) ministries and research institutions to reduce drug resistant infections, by co-developing and testing cost-effective and context-specific AMR solutions, with potential for scale-up across the One Health spectrum. Through provision of funding and technical expertise, ICARS works top-down with LMIC governments and policymakers, as well as bottom-up with researchers, practitioners and stakeholders to identify and address context-specific AMR priorities. In order to better understand the AMR context on the ground, together with researchers, organizations and partners globally, ICARS provides resources to co-develop evidence that supports the implementation of activities to mitigate AMR and sustain real-world impact. These activities are built on AMR National Action Plans. For more details visit: <https://icars-global.org/>.

2. Purpose

This RFP aims to map out AMR interventions that have been developed, tested and/or implemented in the last five years in the Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC) region with a view to prioritizing future areas for research development.

3. Work description (tasks, timeline and deliverables)

It is envisaged that the project will run for 6-8 month and will deliver on:

Task 1: An overview of key stakeholders relevant to AMR across all sectors (i.e., human health, animal health and the environment) in the LAC region. Stakeholders' inclusion criteria will be finalised with ICARS but it is envisaged that research organisations as well as policymakers would be included in this mapping.

Deliverable: stakeholder mapping report.

Task 2: A series of interviews/surveys, round tables (2-3 roundtables) as well as desk research to identify AMR relevant interventions that have been developed, tested and/or implemented during the last five years to tackle AMR across and/or within all sectors in the LAC region, with a reflection on potential future areas of research development

Deliverable: Report on developed and/or tested interventions during the last five years including potential future areas of research in the LAC region.



Task 3: Prioritization process (i.e., Delphi, RAND) of future areas for research development to inform NAP implementation, to be conducted in partnership with the relevant ministries, research organisations and policymakers.

Deliverable: Report on priority areas for research development in the LAC region.

Task 4: A stakeholder (including but not limited to policymakers, funders as well as researchers) engagement webinar to fine tune the results of the project

Deliverable: A webinar with relevant stakeholders in the LAC region.

Language of deliverables: English, Spanish, and potentially Portuguese

4. Specific requirements

Eligibility criteria:

Eligible to apply are universities or other research institutions (public and private), non-profit organizations (i.e., NGO's and civil society organizations), independent consultants, and academic groups or research organisations based in the LAC region. UN agencies, international organizations and private sector cannot apply.

Experience & Skills:

- Applicants based in the LAC region
- Experience in working in the LAC region within the area of infectious diseases, AMR or One Health
- Access to a wide network of infectious diseases, AMR or One Health stakeholders within the LAC region
- Experience in reviewing literature, mapping gaps and opportunities and preparing high level reports
- Business English & Spanish (essential)
- Working knowledge of Portuguese (desirable)

5. Timeline & Budget

Duration: 6-8 months, starting in May 2023

Budget: Up to \$50,000 USD will be made available.

6. How to apply

Please send your applications and questions by email to Beatriz Domínguez Guerrero at: contact@icars-global.org