

# Modern Slavery and Human Rights Policy and Evidence Centre

Assessing the effectiveness of interventions to prevent modern slavery

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# 1. Welcome and housekeeping

# Housekeeping

- All participants are on mute and with video off until the Q&A
- Please feel free to ask a question at any time, we will pick these up in the Q&A
- If you have a technical problem (e.g. audio not working) please post it in the Chat and we will do our best to fix it
- We are recording this webinar and will share it online afterwards – but we will not share the Q&A section
- The Modern Slavery PEC meeting rules will be shared in the chat

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# Agenda

12.30pm-1pm

Introduction to the Modern Slavery PEC & overview of this research call, including the application process

1pm-1.30pm

Q&A

# 2. Introduction to the Modern Slavery PEC

# The purpose of the Centre

The Modern Slavery and Human Rights Policy and Evidence Centre exists to:

- **transform the effectiveness** of laws and policies designed to address it.
- **enhance understanding** of modern slavery across the globe and





# What is the Modern Slavery PEC?

- We fund impartial research – but don't stop there
- We use the evidence to drive real policy change
- We connect research and policymaking
- We promote evidence more widely
- We collaborate and bring people together



# Main Research Areas

Four broad areas:

- Survivor Support and Recovery
- Prevention
- Business supply chains
- Effectiveness of legal enforcement

Plus:

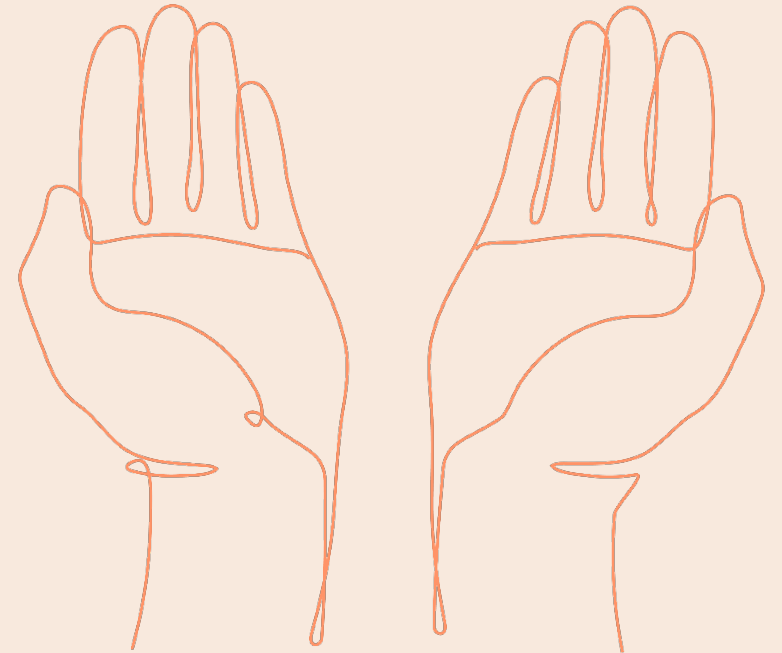
- Crosscutting themes





# Research guiding principles

1. Effectiveness
2. Equity
3. Survivor involvement



# 3. Overview of this research call

# Background and rationale

- Building on existing PEC research into the prevention of modern slavery
- Synthesis work identified before/early and re-trafficking as evidence gaps within the evidence base
- Aim for this call is to review existing interventions to explore the effectiveness of interventions



# Objectives

The essential objectives are to:

- A. Assess the effectiveness of an intervention/s** that aim(s) to prevent exploitation before it occurs, or at an early stage, **or** interventions that specifically aim to prevent re-exploitation/re-trafficking.
- B. Describe the underpinning theoretical framework (e.g. a theory of change/log frame)**
- C. Employ rigorous and robust methodologies** to consider how an intervention could be replicated and scaled up
- D. Generate impactful insights and recommendations for practice and UK policymakers** on the effectiveness of prevention interventions and the effectiveness of the underlying theoretical framework.
- E. We would welcome reflections on the equality, diversity and inclusion (EDI) considerations of an intervention and potential prevention inequalities.**

# Objectives

## Desirable objectives:

- A. Explore innovative and creative methods of engaging lived experience**
- B. If assessing multiple interventions, this needs to be done on the basis that these interventions all share sufficient characteristics such that they are already comparable**

# Scope (1/2)

- Projects should be assessing or evaluating an existing intervention that aims to prevent exploitation before it occurs, or at an early stage, **or** an intervention that specifically aims to prevent re-exploitation/re-trafficking
- Projects looking solely at the “treatment of harms” stage of the prevention of harms are out of scope for this call.
- For this call, an intervention is a service or specific activity undertaken for the purpose of the prevention of exploitation or re-exploitation

# Scope (2/2)

- Legal and policy frameworks are out of scope for this call
- This call cannot be used to fund the delivery of an intervention, only the research to assess the effectiveness of intervention.
- All interventions assessed in this call should be relevant to UK policy, but can be internationally based
- Applicants are encouraged to limit the scope further, e.g. geographically



# Advice for making a strong bid

- The rationale for selecting an intervention must be justified in your application, including
  - How the intervention is relevant to UK policy
  - How it links to prevention either before harms occurs or at an early stage, **or** the prevention of re-trafficking
- Applicants should use the BETR (before, early, treatment, re-trafficking) continuum of prevention and the associated pathways to prevention:
  - Access to fundamental things in life
  - Literacy (including in-depth understanding of exploitation and rights)
  - Community power and control
  - Deterrence and disruption
  - Building partnerships and coordination

# 4. The application process

# Timelines

Submit applications through online form  
(<https://modernslaverypec.submit.com/>)

Action/Activity	Deadline
Call deadline	4pm, 11 November 2024
Panel meeting	w/c 18 November 2024
Moderation	End of November 2024
Interviews with top applicants	Early December 2024
Final decision	Mid-December 2024
Project start	January 2025
Project set up	February 2025
End of project	Early 2026

# Eligibility

- Projects may be led by either a UK higher education institution, an approved research organisation eligible to receive UKRI funding or a charity registered in the UK with a focus on modern slavery.
- Project teams must include at least one academic or research organisation and one registered charity.
- International Co-leads are eligible for this call.
- We request that Principal Investigators (lead researcher) only appear on one application for this call.
- There is no limit to the number of applications eligible organisations can submit, and the restrictions only apply to individuals within those organisations.

# Funding available

- A maximum budget of £100,000 at 100% full economic cost (FEC) per project.
- The Modern Slavery PEC expects to fund up to two projects for this work, one with a focus on before/early prevention, and a second on re-trafficking
- Higher education institutes and approved research organisations will receive 80% FEC.
- UK based third sector organisations may apply for up to 50% of the project's budget, they will be funded at 100% FEC.
- International organisations are eligible to apply as partners to this call and can receive up to 30% of the budget, paid at 100% FEC.
- The combined UK charity and international organisation budget cannot exceed 50% of the total award.

# Budget examples

Scenario 1					
	Total cost of research (100% full economic cost (FEC))	=	Percentage of total cost	% FEC awarded	Total amount awarded
University staff costs & overheads	£40,000		55%	80%	£44,000
DI costs (including survivor involvement)	£15,000				
Charity partner 1 staff costs & overheads	£25,000		32%	100%	£32,000
Charity partner 1 honorariums for participants	£7,000				
Charity partner 2 staff costs & overheads	£13,000		13%	100%	£13,000
<b>Total cost</b>	<b>£100,000</b>			<b>Total award</b>	<b>£89,000</b>

Scenario 2					
	Total cost of research (100% full economic cost (FEC))	=	Percentage of total cost	% FEC awarded	Total amount awarded
University 1 staff & overheads	£15,000		34%	80%	£24,800
University 1 DI costs (survivor involvement and honorariums)	£16,000			80%	
University 2 staff & overheads	£15,000		16%	80%	£12,000
Charity partner 1 staff costs & overheads	£23,000		25%	100%	£23,000
Charity partner 2 staff costs & overheads	£23,000		25%	100%	£23,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>£92,000</b>			<b>Total award</b>	<b>£82,800</b>

# 6. Q&A



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