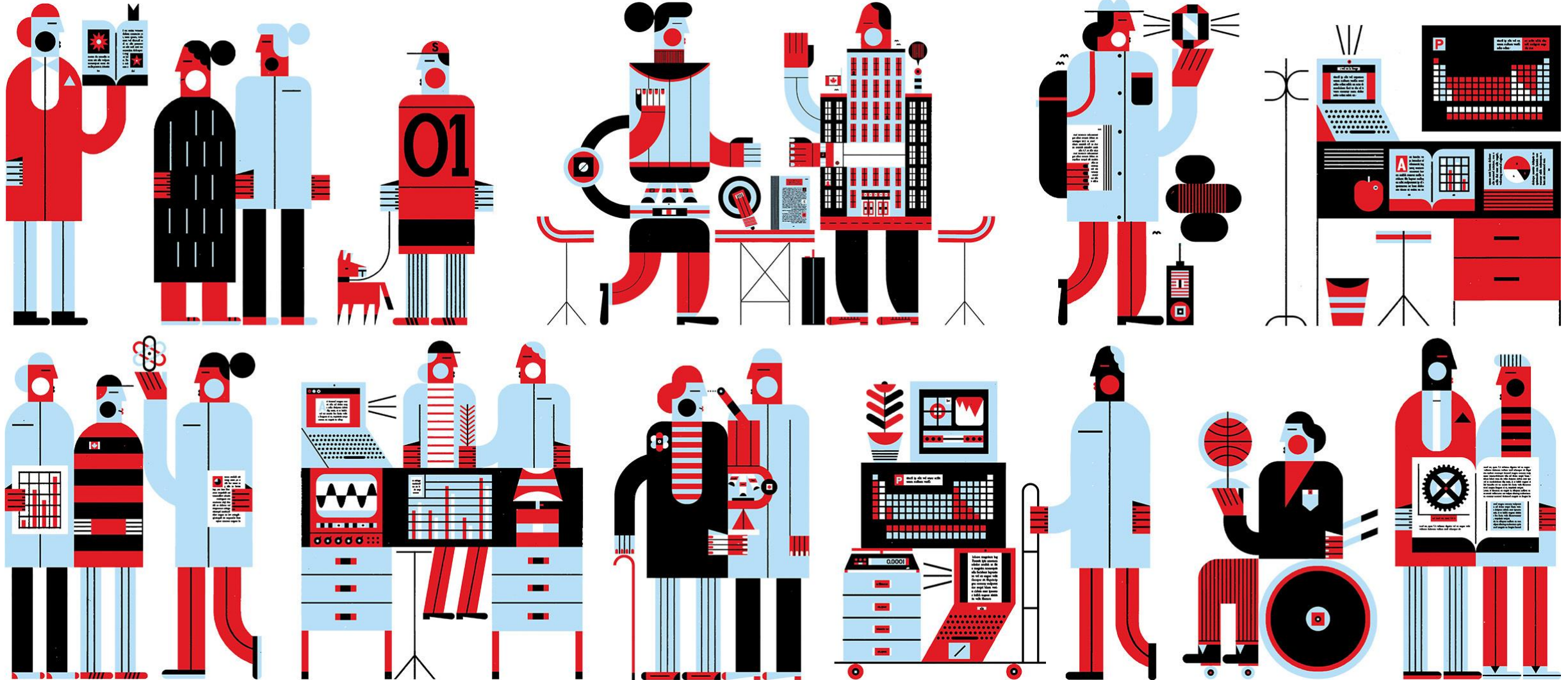






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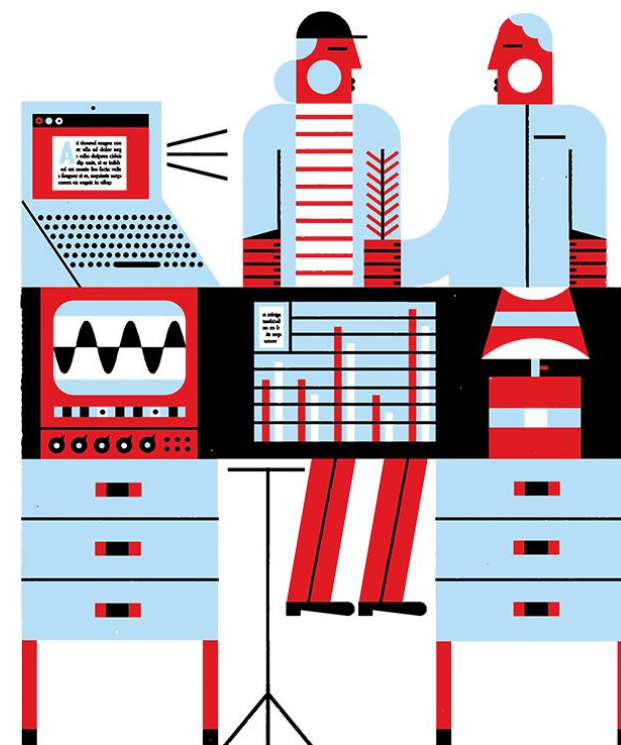
Enhancing Resilience to Wildfires in the Wildland-Urban Interface

Presented by the Alliance International Team

Canadian Webinar - July 2026

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Overview

This joint **Canada-UK-US** effort is guided by the [Kananaskis Wildfire Charter](#)



- In **Canada**, funding for **eligible university researchers** will be provided by **NSERC**, **SSHRC**, and/or **CIHR**
- Adoption of **interdisciplinary and intersectoral** approaches (**NSE**, **SSH**, and **health**) is encouraged
- **Collaboration requirement:** **Must partner with UK researchers**; optional collaboration with US researchers
- **UKRI** is the **lead** agency. Consult [UKRI webpage](#) for complete details.





Overview

Research Objectives

- Catalyse new and existing collaborations and strengthen capacity among researchers from across various jurisdictions in Canada, the UK and the US.
- Enhance resilience to wildfire risk at the local, regional and national scale.

- Research proposals require at least two aims but **must** include **Aim 3**.
 - **Aim 1:** Enhance knowledge and understanding of the risk and vulnerabilities of wildfire occurrence, intensity, behaviour and spread within the wildland-urban interface under evolving and future fire regime scenarios
 - **Aim 2:** Investigate impacts of wildfire occurrence in the wildland-urban interface
 - ✓ **Aim 3 (mandatory): Develop interventions and solutions for adaptation, mitigation and recovery to wildfire in the wildland-urban interface**



Overview

Value and Duration

- Each funding agency will provide funding to its eligible national researchers, subject to its national rules and budgetary availability.
- Please see [Selecting the Appropriate Federal Granting Agency](#) to determine whether to request budget from NSERC, SSHRC and/or CIHR.
- Duration of **three years**.
- Up to **\$250,000 per year, per Canadian agency**.
- Funding can be requested from **one, two**, or all **three** Canadian agencies, up to \$750K per agency.
 - If requesting from: one agency → up to \$750K in total
 - two agencies → up to \$1.5M in total
 - three agencies → up to \$2.25M in total
- **Each agency** expects to fund **four projects**.



Eligibility Requirements

The Canadian Project Lead

Canadian university researchers working in partnership with academic collaborators from the UK, and optionally from the US.



Canadian Project Lead

Identified as *Project Co-Lead (International)* in the UKRI submission

- University researcher whose primary affiliation is with a Canadian postsecondary institution that currently holds full institutional eligibility with one of the agencies.
- Eligible to hold NSERC, SSHRC, and/or CIHR funds.
- Project Co-Lead (international) on only one UKRI application.
- Can apply either independently or as part of a team.
- Can be co-applicant or collaborator on multiple applications.



Eligibility Requirements

Who Can Participate – Canada Team



Co-applicant(s)

- Must meet NSERC, SSHRC, or CIHR eligibility requirements.
- University affiliation not required (e.g., college faculty or adjunct researchers whose primary affiliation is in Canada)



Collaborator(s)

- A member of the research team expected to contribute to the research project.
- Will not have access to grant funds as recipients.



Partner Organization(s)

- Participation from **industry, public sector, and non-profit organizations** is **permitted**.



➤ Each Canadian team should submit **only one application** to this call.

➤ For UK and US researchers' eligibility and limits, consult with UKRI and NSF.



Stakeholder Engagement & Indigenous Research

Where appropriate for the research proposed, projects are encouraged to:

- Engage **relevant stakeholders** beyond academia to **strengthen impact**.
- Be informed by **local knowledge**, **lived experience**, and **Indigenous perspectives**.
- Engage a variety of **communities**, **Knowledge Holders**, **first responders**, and **decision makers**.
- Recognize the **rights of Indigenous Peoples**, **Indigenous self-determination**, and **self-governance** (see [First Nations Principles of OCAP®](#) and [CARE Principles](#)).
- Include team members with the **necessary knowledge**, **expertise** and **experience** in Indigenous research.
- See [NSERC](#), [SSHRC](#) and [CIHR](#) for more guidance on Indigenous research.



Application Process

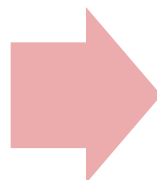
1. Expression of Interest (Eol)

One Eol submitted by the **UK Project Lead** on behalf of the UK, Canadian, and US (if applicable) team.

Deadline for submission: July 30, 2026

Eol must include:

- Project title & brief description
- Project Leads & team members for each country.
- Approximate budget requested from each country.
- Identification of the federal granting council(s) (NSERC, SSHRC and/or CIHR) that will be involved



- Used by funders for pre-screening **eligibility**.
- UKRI will **provide feedback** to UK project lead only if eligibility or scope alignment **issues were identified**.
- **Changes in team composition are allowed** between the Eol and full proposal submission stages.
- **Full applications without a prior Eol will not be accepted by UKRI.**



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Application Process

2. Full Proposal (by invitation only)

If invited, the UK project lead will submit a single collaborative full proposal on behalf of the Canadian, UK, and US (if applicable) research teams.

Deadline for submission: October 1, 2026

What to include in the Full Proposal (1/2)

- Ensure that the planned Canadian activities are appropriately integrated into the relevant sections of the UKRI collaborative proposal (including the ‘Vision’, ‘Approach’, and ‘Applicant and team capability to deliver’ sections).
- Complete the Canada Component section in the UKRI application, outlining the resources needed to deliver the Canadian component, the associated budget request in CAD, and the justification for those costs.
- Upload the required documents as a single PDF.



Application Process

What to include in the Full Proposal – Canada Component section (2/2)



Budget and justification

- Budget document for each Canadian request (use the provided templates, **one per funder**)
- Budgets must align with relevant agency's **mandate** and follow [Tri-agency Guide on Financial Administration](#)
- Include travel and related costs for **one annual international cross-program meeting** for the duration of the project.



Sensitive Technology Research and Affiliations of Concern (STRAC)

Does the grant application aim to advance a **sensitive technology research area**?

If “yes” → **submit an attestation form for each researcher with a named role** (applicant, co-applicants, collaborators including UK project lead and any others directly involved with NSERC, SSHRC or CIHR research activities)



Risk Assessment Form

Does the application include at least **one partner organization from the private sector**?

If “yes” → **complete and attach the Risk Assessment form**



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• Budget template

➤ Use the appropriate budget template for each request:

- [NSERC budget](#)
- [SSHRC budget](#)
- [CIHR budget](#)

➤ Provide the proposed expenditures and budget justification

NSERC budget					
Proposed Expenditures (include all amounts using Canadian dollars)					
Proposal Title:					
Canadian project lead / NSERC applicant:					
	Year 1 (Canadian dollars)	Year 2 (Canadian dollars)	Year 3 (Canadian dollars)	Total (All Years, Canadian dollars)	Budget Justification
1) Salaries & Stipends	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
a) Undergraduate students				\$0	
b) Graduate students - Masters				\$0	
c) Graduate students - PhD				\$0	
d) Postdoctoral researchers				\$0	
e) Technical/Professional Assistants				\$0	
f) Other (Specify here):				\$0	
2) Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
a) Purchase or Rental				\$0	
b) Operations and Maintenance Costs				\$0	
c) User Fees				\$0	
d) Other (Specify here):				\$0	
3) Materials and Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
a) Chemicals				\$0	

NSERC budget | NSERC research team and partner





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- **Research team and partner**

- Provide the requested information for each member of the NSERC, SSHRC and CIHR-supported research teams, as well as partner organizations (if any)
- All team Canada members must be listed in the appropriate agency research support sheet.
- Upload as part of single PDF.

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	NSERC-supported research team					
2	Name	Position	Department	Institution	Email address	Role on grant (applicant, co-applicant, collaborator)
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12	Partner organizations working with the NSERC-supported research team					
13	Partner organization	Sector (private, public, non-profit)	Location of headquarters	Contact person name and position	Email address	Partner's cash or in-kind contributions
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Application Review

Eligibility Review

Canadian agencies review eligibility based on **applicant eligibility to hold NSERC, SSHRC, and/or CIHR funding** as well as eligibility of **requested budget expenditures**.

Merit Review

The **merit review** of full proposals will **be administered by UKRI and conducted by a committee of experts**. Proposals will be assessed against the **following criteria**:

- Vision
- Approach
- Applicant and team capability to deliver
- Resources and cost justification
- Ethics and responsible research and innovation



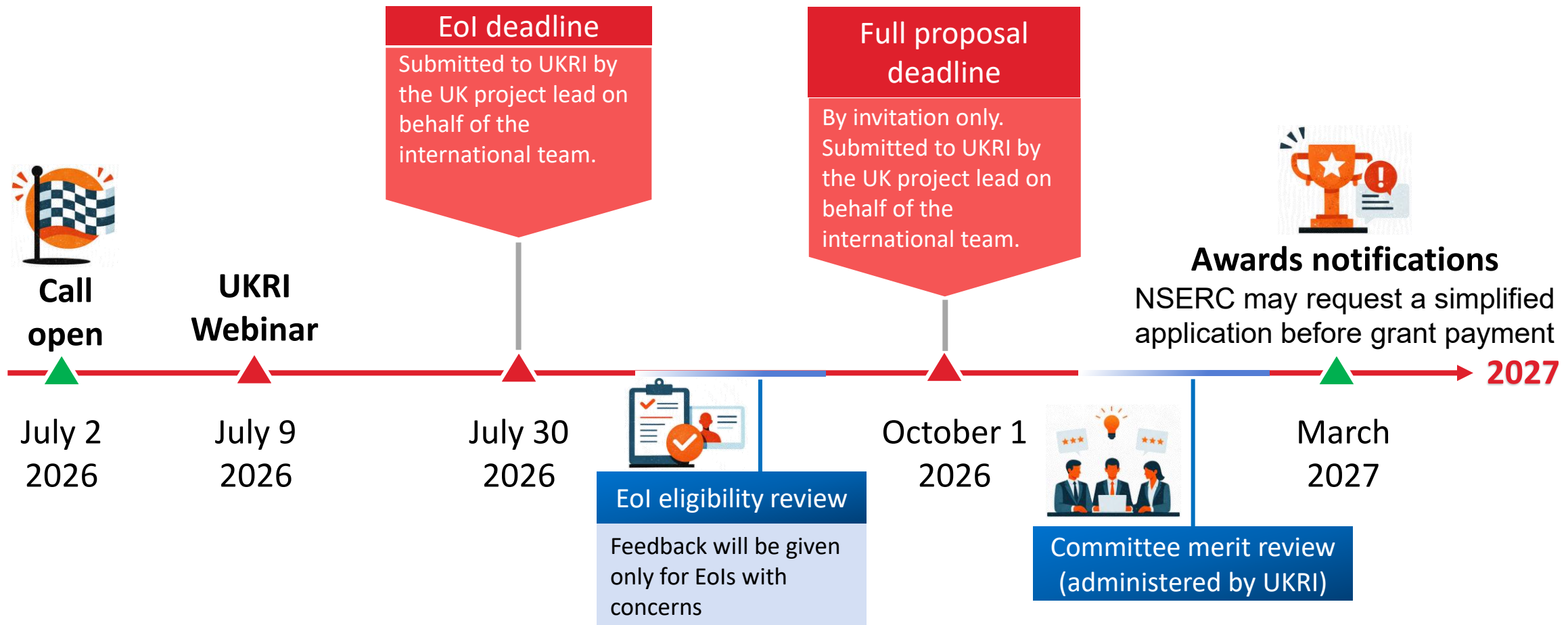


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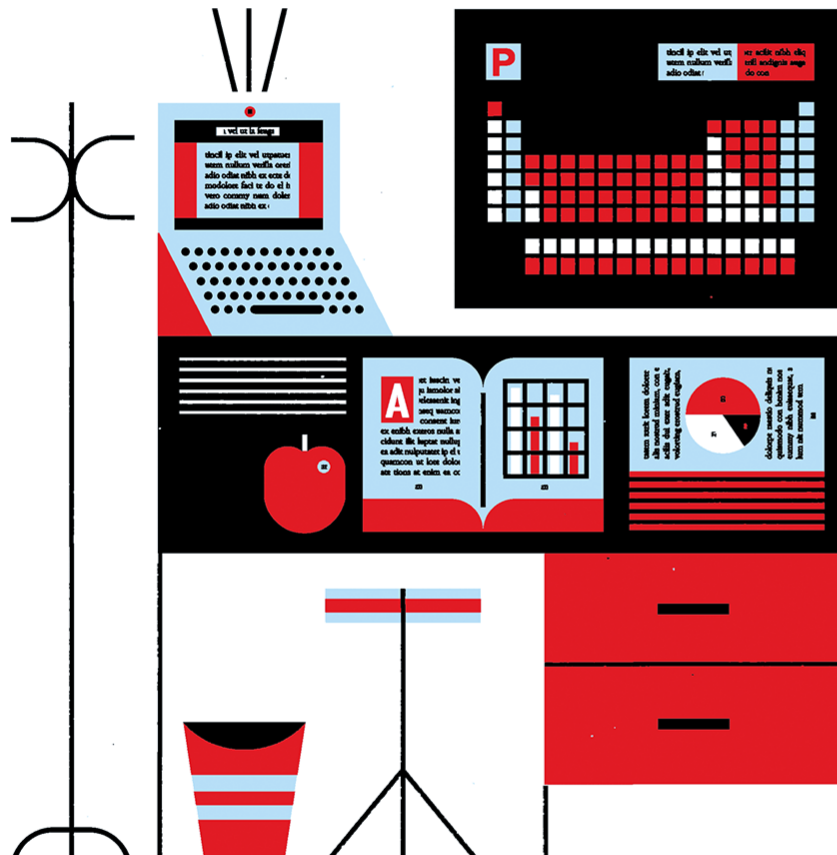


You are kindly invited to join UKRI webinar, scheduled to
take place on **Thursday, July 9, 2026, 12:00 pm (ET)**

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