

RFP-23-01 INFORMATION SESSION

General Questions

Q. Are you making the slides available for us?

A. https://remadeinstitute.org/s/REMADE-Project-Negotiations_Final_V2.pdf

Q. Will you share the recording of this information session?

A. [Award Process, Magdi Azer - RFP Information Session Recording - YouTube](#)

[How to Prepare Your SOPO and NEPA, Magdi Azer - RFP Information Session Recording - YouTube](#)

[How to Prepare Your Budget, Michele Gibson - RFP Information Session Recording - YouTube](#)

[Contractual Requirements, John Kreckel - RFP Information Session Recording - YouTube](#)

Q. Does new IP developed with REMADE funds belong to REMADE?

A. REMADE doesn't own any of the IP that project teams develop.

Q. Is there discretion on start times? When would be the earliest?

A. Anything work you do before having a fully executed sub-award agreement is performed at your own risk. We cannot guarantee that DOE will reimburse you for your costs.

Q. What is the expected negotiation timeline?

A. The historical time between project selection and launch has been 5 – 6 months. This includes the 2-3 months DOE takes to approve project paperwork that proposal teams submit. We hope the process will go faster because we only have 14 projects to negotiate, and proposal teams have already prepared SOPOs. While DOE is taking two months to review, you can work on your sub-awardee agreements to hit the ground running once DOE approves everything.

SOPO & NEPA

Q. When will we receive the reviewer comments?

A. You will receive reviewer comments from your project manager by Monday, November 13th.

Budget

Q. Is international travel allowed, if relevant?

A. Work performed outside of the U.S. (including travel) needs pre-approval by REMADE and DOE. for a foreign work waiver.

Q. Will you send the T 540.132 02 form?

A. The following is a link to the budget form: https://remadeinstitute.org/s/EERE-3351-Budget-Justification-Example_112022.xlsx

Q. Is the definition of equipment” as simple as the \$5k threshold? For example, if I have an assembly comprising several components that are each less than \$5,000 but, in the aggregate, make the assembly cost greater than 5,000, do I still need justification for each component?

A. If the aggregate cost exceeds \$5,000 and has a useful life of 5 years, it typically would be classified as equipment.

Q. What is the difference between a *contractor* and a *sub-awardee* for budget purposes?

A. Contractor: A contractor provides goods and services to many different purchasers as a part of its normal business operations. For example, it might offer tensile testing services where each tensile test costs \$500. Additionally, contractors provide specific services in support of or ancillary to the research program or project and have little or no independent decision-making related to the design or conduct of the project team’s work.

Sub-awardee: A sub-awardee performs substantive, programmatic work (e.g., a significant portion of the research program or project). Sub-awardees also participate in designing or conducting the work and have some programmatic control and discretion over how the work is carried out. Sub-awardees may also seek to publish or co-author the results of their work. Finally, sub-awardees receive federal funding and/or contribute cost share to support the project scope of work and have personnel identified as vital to the execution of the project.

Q. Is cost-share required each budget period or upfront before the project commences?

A. You will submit your invoices with a 1:1 cost share match. For any other questions, please email Michele Gibson at mgibson@remadeinstitute.org directly.

Membership and Sub-awards

Q. Are subcontractors required to join the REMADE Institute?

A. Yes, all sub-awardees are required to join, ensuring all project teams comply with the same terms and conditions (such as the IP Management Plan, Export Control regulations, and the U.S. Manufacturing Plan)