

The TSUNAMI Initiative

TSUNAMI is an initiative to improve the competitiveness of the UK Insurance Industry by using Science to improve the assessment of risk. The initiative is funded, for an initial three year period, by a consortium of companies from the UK market, with matching funding from the Insurance Division of HM Treasury, from the Sector Challenge Initiative.

During its initial phase of operation, TSUNAMI will sponsor a series of projects to demonstrate the competitive value of applied research to insurers. It also aims, through this process, to build links within the scientific community that will support applied research in the future.

TSUNAMI is pleased to invite proposals for the research themes described overleaf.

Proposal Criteria

Proposals must be received before 14 November. The format to be followed is based on the NERC Research Grant application form. The relevant guidelines are attached.

Proposals will be reviewed by a panel of representatives from the sponsoring insurance companies, who will be advised (where appropriate) by a scientist from the relevant field of study. The proposals will be assessed against the following criteria:

- Suitability and competitive advantage to insurers.
- Deliverability.
- Quality of science and the standing of the researchers.
- Value for money.
- Originality of research.

Proposals should be sent to:

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