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Dear Mr Langr,

Freedom of Information request: FOI2020/00454

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on the 18 December in which you requested the following:

Your request:

Please could you provide the following information in regards to SBRI: using geospatial data to solve transport challenges, phase 1

1. *the total number of applications*
2. *the number of assessed applications (not disregarded due to being deemed out of scope etc.)*
3. *the number of applications funded*
4. *the number of applications funded per 'innovation area'*
5. *the average funding amount per project*
6. *the smallest and largest amount of funding per project*
7. *the average score*
8. *the success threshold*
9. *decision-making process based on portfolio (i.e. why higher scoring projects might not get funded and lower scoring project get funded).*

Our response:

I can confirm UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) hold the information relevant to your request. Please see the information below.

1. *the total number of applications*

   There were 202 applications to the Small Business Research Initiative (SBRI): using geospatial data to solve transport challenges, phase 1 competition.

2. *the number of assessed applications (not disregarded due to being deemed out of scope etc.)*

   195 applications were assessed.

3. *the number of applications funded*

   28 applications were funded.

4. *the number of applications funded per 'innovation area'*

   All 28 funded applications were designated as 'Other Transport' for Innovate Area.

5. *the average funding amount per project*

   The average funding amount per project was £70,546.

6. *the smallest and largest amount of funding per project*

   The smallest funding amount awarded was £30,041. The largest funding amount awarded was £89,116.

7. *the average score*

   The average score of all 195 assessed applications was 74.5%.

8. *the success threshold*

   the success threshold for the competition was 76.9%.

9. *decision-making process based on portfolio (i.e. why higher scoring projects might not get funded and lower scoring project get funded).*

   A portfolio approach was used, applied across five thematic areas, with the final score of the application being an average of these five assessments.

If you have any queries regarding our response or you are unhappy with the outcome of your request and wish to seek an internal review of the decision, please contact:

Head of Information Governance
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If you wish to raise a complaint regarding the service you have received or the conduct of any UKRI staff in relation to your request, please see UKRI's complaints policy: https://www.ukri.org/about-us/policies-and-standards/complaints-policy/

Yours sincerely,

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