Application process

	Timescale (working days)	Actions
Early preparations	Usually takes place at least 3 months before submission of application. Allow 4 to 6 weeks to complete this stage	Expression of interest form completed & submitted to FRIO → DoRI assesses level of involvement & support needed & agrees timeframe → Pitch to Peers → Approval in principle → Informal feedback from DoRI & others
Writing		WRITING PROPOSAL → Costing & Pricing with FRIO team; During writing phase take advice on impact, data management, resources, ethics, funder's requirements & compliance issues – allow 10 days to receive and act on input; Informal feedback, advice & mentoring within and across Schools; Follow specific University processes as relevant, e.g. GCRF/ODA
Reviewing	Allow at least 3 weeks to complete reviews & respond to feedback	Peer Review (via School Peer Review College) → Applicant receives reviewers' comments & acts on feedback → Applicant's response to reviewers' comments & redrafted proposal sent to DoRI → School confirms ready for submission → For ESRC Standard Grants – central University peer review College process / For other ESSL-led research council applications (and ad hoc referrals) – Faculty Peer Review College process → Applicant's response to reviewers' comments & redrafted proposal sent to central Panel or Pro-Dean
Approving	Allow 10 days to complete approvals	Pro-Dean or Central approval as necessary → Completed proposal – checked by FRIO → Head of School approval including KRISTAL & RRD
Deadline	Allow 2 days to complete submission	Submit proposal to funder