

**2 October 2024**

## **CALL FOR PROPOSALS**

### **UYILO KICK START FUND**

The uYilo e-Mobility Programme invites qualifying projects to submit proposals to the uYilo “Kick Start” fund. The fund is established to support electric mobility (e-Mobility) related products or services development by providing an agile mechanism to fund applied research and development to a maximum of:

- i. R500,000 (including VAT) per project for individual projects (one participant),
- ii. R1,000,000 (including VAT) per project for collaborative projects (multiple participants). For collaborative projects matched (50:50) co-funding is required.

The grant funding is focused on applied research that will accelerate Technology Readiness Levels (TRL) and lead to the creation of products, processes or services that can be commercialised to advance South Africa’s e-Mobility industry. Proposals will have to meet the hurdle and adjudication criteria and demonstrate the intent to further develop and commercialise the proposed technology. Priority will be given to projects that,

- i. have established research in uYilo’s strategic focus areas:
  - Energy Storage Technologies;
  - Electric Vehicle Systems;
  - Charging Infrastructure within Smart-Grids;
  - Connected Car, and/or
- ii. industry projects that will lead to, local manufacturing of a product or, delivery of a service or, support public transportation.

Funding for the current fiscal year is limited and applicants are advised to complement past kick start funded projects and support collaborative projects towards an inclusive ecosystem.

Supporting documents and application form is available on [www.uYilo.org.za](http://www.uYilo.org.za)

Final proposals must be submitted by **12h00 Friday 13 December 2024** via email to [info@uyilo.org.za](mailto:info@uyilo.org.za) with the subject “Call for Proposals - uYilo Kick Start Fund”.

**For any additional information kindly email [info@uyilo.org.za](mailto:info@uyilo.org.za).**

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