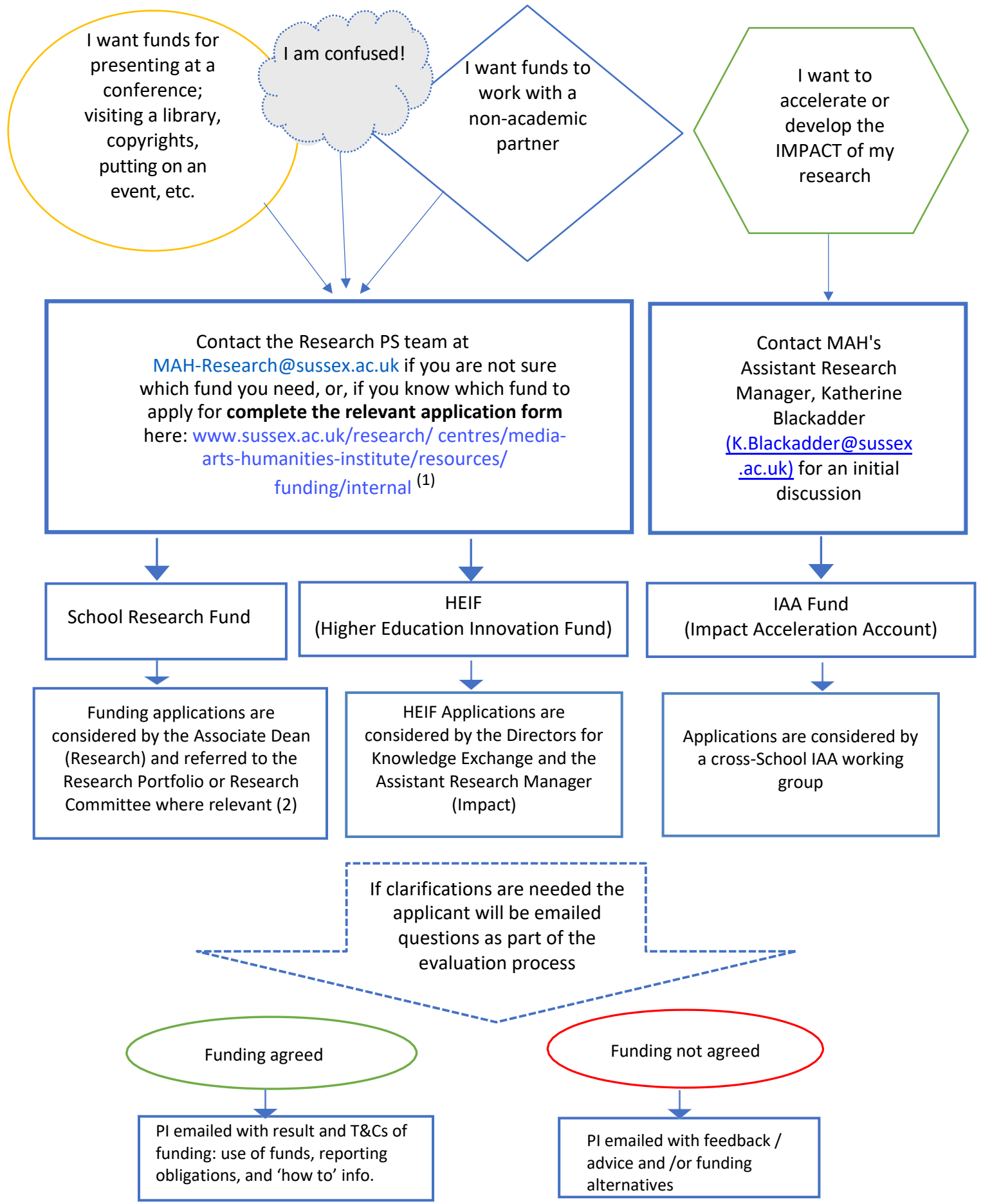


Are you looking for internal funds for your research, impact and KE activities?



(1) Detailed info and application forms can be found in the Resources and Opportunities section of MAH Research Institute website: www.sussex.ac.uk/research/centres/media-arts-humanities-institute

(2) Applications meeting the criteria for the School Research Fund will usually be approved by Chair's action by the Associate Dean for Research. Applications for large or complex projects will be referred to the Research Committee for discussion

Frequently Asked Questions

What are the key differences between the three internal funding streams?

The School Research Fund is for individual and group-based research activities. For individual activities such as presenting at a conference, visiting an archive, illustration copyright permission; it is normally capped at £750 per person per year, or £1,200 in exceptional cases (e.g. for expensive overseas trips). The School Research Fund is also used to fund activities and events coordinated through Research Centres, groups or Seminar Series. You can read the full guidelines on using the School Research Fund [here](#).

HEIF funds are not capped. The School currently receives an annual allocation of £30,000. There is no cap on a single project; however, we would look at how we might combine with other sources of funding available if needed to ensure we can support as many projects as possible over the academic year. The central Innovation Business Partnerships team will also offer HEIF funding around specific themes throughout the year in addition to School-level funding. HEIF funds are specifically for developing Knowledge Exchange (KE) projects with non-academic partners, including cultural and social organisations, business & enterprise, and the public sector. They may also lead ultimately to impact too. They contribute to School's [KEF profile](#). KE projects don't require underpinning research but draw on your expertise. The key is co-creation and collaboration with external partners on projects that delivery towards the seven KEF perspectives or areas of activity which currently are: research partnerships; working with business; working with the public and third sector; CPD and graduate start-ups; local growth and regeneration; intellectual property and commercialisation; and public and community engagement.

Impact Acceleration Account (IAA) funds are typically up to £3,000 for projects to bring about positive changes in the wider world *beyond academia* as well as connecting researchers with external partners to work on *real-world* challenges. The scheme is particularly focussed on building and strengthening relationships which will accelerate the emerging impact being generated through your research. Although not necessary to be pre-existing (ie research can be published after impact work takes place) **a minimum of one 2* peer-reviewed piece of research is required as the basis of your IAA project.**

Where can I find the application forms?

All application forms and guidance can be found in the MAH Institute webpages, under the Resources and Opportunities section. Visit:

<https://www.sussex.ac.uk/research/centres/media-arts-humanities-institute/resources/funding/internal>

How quickly will I find out about my funding application?

Applications to the School Research Fund and School HEIF funds are routinely assessed and you will usually hear the outcome within one to two working weeks. The IAA applications are considered by a wider group involving members outside of the School; turnaround is usually a few weeks.

I have more questions about internal funding, who can help me?

Visit the [Resources and Opportunities](#) section on the Media, Arts and Humanities Research Institute website, or contact the team at mah-research@sussex.ac.uk