SICSA can provide sponsorship for research themed events which take place in Scotland. These events can either be single themed events or be across different disciplines including collaboration with:

- Other SICSA Research Themes (https://www.sicsa.ac.uk/research/research-themes/)
- SFC Research Pools (http://www.sfc.ac.uk/research/research-pooling/research-pooling.aspx)
- Scottish Innovation Centres (http://www.sfc.ac.uk/innovation/innovation-centres/funded-innovation-centres.aspx)

**Sponsorship Funding Information**

- Due to the current COVID-19 situation all requests for funding will be considered including:
  - Charged subscriptions to collaboration tools or services, such as instant messaging or software repositories.
  - Software as a service costs to host collaboration software directly.
  - Hosting online research and knowledge exchange seminars and events
  - Voucher payment for assistance with event set-up (preparation of materials)

- Events must be open to students and researcher from all SICSA institutions and, if the event is cross discipline, the students and researchers from the relevant Research Pool and/or members from the Innovation Centre

**Conditions of Funding**

- Applicants should email admin@sicsa.ac.uk with full details of the event at least four weeks prior to the event date. This information will made available via various communication links to increase publicity.
- Up to the maximum amount of the award will be reimbursed to the host institution by way of a single invoice for the full amount. This should be sent to the SICSA Executive Office as soon as possible after the event.
- SICSA must be acknowledged as sponsors of the event and organisers must include the SICSA logo on all publicity materials (printed and virtual). Versions of the SICSA logo can be accessed at https://www.sicsa.ac.uk/about-us/resources/
- A short report (template available here) must be submitted to admin@sicsa.ac.uk as soon as possible after the event (no later than four weeks following the event). These may feature in various SICSA communications
- For cross discipline events a letter if endorsement, if received from other Research Pools and/or Innovation centres must be submitted with the sponsorship proposal

**Application Process**

- Please complete the SICSA Research Theme Sponsorship Event proposal form which can be downloaded here and send it to admin@sicsa.ac.uk. Your proposal will be acknowledged and then considered by the relevant SICSA Research Theme Leader(s) and you will receive a decision within two weeks.

These temporary guidelines are in place to support on-line researcher collaboration due to the current situation with COVID-19. Once travel resumes the original guidelines will be applicable.