



S-FSRP Long-Term Scholarship Concept Note Guideline

The Concept Note must be structured to contain the following sections in a maximum of the pages specified for each section. The font size must be Arial 12 with 1.5 spacing. Note that any Concept Note not meeting these basic requirements will be rejected without appraisal.

1. Title (not to exceed 15 words)
2. Introduction and Relevance/justification of study not to exceed one (1) page and containing the following:
 - a) Introduction that brings into context previous related studies with references
 - b) Relevance of the proposed research to the Somali Food systems
 - c) Problem statement (research gap) being addressed by the research
 - d) Objectives and expected results of the research
 - e) Value addition/ innovation, the research intends to achieve on food systems resilience
3. Methodology and Outputs not exceeding two (2) pages and containing the following;
 - a) Outline of the conceptual and theoretical framework
 - b) Brief description of the study activities
 - c) Brief description of materials and methods for each activity, describing how the study will be conducted
 - d) Outline of the expected outputs in relation to the Somali Food system thematic focus
 - e) Outline of the scope and limitations of the study
4. Workplan and Budget not exceeding one (1) page and containing the following;
 - a) Workplan, indicating road map to completion
 - b) Summarized budget lines for each activity, noting that the personnel budget line, travel, and accommodation must not exceed one-third of the overall budget

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