

SME Initiative Launches New RFP

The Small & Medium Enterprise (SME) Initiative is pleased to announce that it is now accepting a **FIFTH ROUND** of applications for its Competitive Research Fund on Entrepreneurship and SME Growth. The goal of this fund is to support innovative research that is in line with the initiative's objective to build a systemic body of evidence on the contributions of SME growth to poverty alleviation and economic development. We hope that this competition will have a catalyzing effect to stimulate high quality research that can produce relevant evidence to innovate, implement and scale programs that promote SME growth. For this round of grants, complete proposals should be emailed to sme@poverty-action.org by 5:00 pm EST on April 15, 2013.

Please see the [full RFP description](#), the [application form](#), and [budgeting guidelines](#).

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