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To whom it may concern,

**TENDER FOR INSIGHT INTO 'WORKING CLASS VOICES' IN ECONOMIC POLICY.**

PERN, the Place-Based Economic Recovery, Regeneration and Resilience Network is an academic led multi-university multidisciplinary collaboration in West Yorkshire, developed to support evidence-based policy making.

PERN are seeking to commission a report examining working class voices in (regional) policy making. Whilst we would like to hear your suggestions for the report's scope and format (see below), we want to understand the prevalence (or lack) of working-class perspectives in policy making, barriers to working class input into the policy process and potential routes for inclusivity. We require the report to provide practical policy recommendations and to be completed by the end of December 2021.

The Budget for this commission is £3000 inclusive of VAT (if VAT is applicable).

In order to apply, please submit a (up to) 500-word proposal, outlining your approach to this piece of work. Additionally provide a summary of people and hours they will contribute to this project. We would welcome applications from organisations, academics, or registered PhD students. If submitting as a PhD student, please also provide a brief supporting note from your supervisor confirming that you can undertake this work within the restrictions of your PhD and a note from your departmental administrator confirming that your department / school etc can receive and administer the funds on your behalf. We would particularly encourage applications from working class and first-gen PhD students as well as women and other underrepresented communities in policy making.

Please submit a proposal by 5pm Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2021 to [R.Whittle@Yorkshireuniversities.ac.uk](mailto:R.Whittle@Yorkshireuniversities.ac.uk)

Any questions should be submitted to [R.Whittle@Yorkshireuniversities.ac.uk](mailto:R.Whittle@Yorkshireuniversities.ac.uk) before Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> September.

Yours sincerely,

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