

2026 Science of Trustworthy AI RFP

Opens Feb 18 2026 07:00 AM (EST)

Deadline May 17 2026 11:59 PM (EDT)

Description

Request for Proposals: Science of Trustworthy AI

Proposal Due Date	May 17th, 2026 by 11:59pm AoE
Notification of Decision	Summer 2026
Funding Tiers	Tier 1: Up to \$1M (1-3 years) Tier 2: \$1M-5M+ (1-3 years)
Informational Webinars	March 11th, 2026, 10-11am ET. Register here April 15th, 2026, 2-3pm ET. Register here
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Link to FAQ	Trustworthy AI FAQ

Schmidt Sciences invites proposals for the **Science of Trustworthy AI program**, which supports technical research that improves our ability to understand, predict, and control risks from frontier AI systems while enabling their trustworthy deployment.

This Request for Proposals is grounded in our [Research Agenda](#), which defines the scientific scope and priorities. The questions in each subsection guide what we consider in scope; they are not an exhaustive checklist. Proposals need not match any question(s) verbatim, but should clearly advance the underlying scientific objectives of our research agenda and explain why the work advances the science of trustworthy AI. We expect strong proposals—especially at funding Tier 2—to take a clear stand on a small number of core questions and pursue them deeply, rather than addressing many agenda items superficially.

The research agenda has three connected aims: