**NOTE: For DP23 this section is limited to FOUR (4) PAGES**

Fully justify, in terms of need and cost, each budget item requested from the ARC. (Upload a PDF of no more than four A4 pages and within the required format).

The ARC budget justification must:

* Use the same headings as in the Description column in the budget at Part E1 of the application.
* In justifying the budget, it is not sufficient to claim certain equipment or personnel costs as $X. Rather, the budget justification should state, for example, that a full-time research assistant or technician with a specific level of expertise is required for ‘x’ months. The same level of explanation is required for all items being requested.
* Justify any funding being requested for Teaching Relief or other duties for any named CI on the research team.
* Justify any funding being requested for major items of equipment. Requests for any major items of equipment are considered on merit. Participants should plan to use existing equipment wherever possible. If participants are seeking funding for new equipment, describe how the equipment will be used and provide details of the manufacturer, supplier, cost and installation based on quotations obtained. Do not supply the quotations. For expensive pieces of equipment, participants must justify the importance of the equipment to the research proposed and demonstrate that access to such equipment housed elsewhere is not practical. The Administering Organisation would be expected to contribute part of the funding required for expensive items of equipment.
* Requests for funding to cover the costs of domestic and international travel for CIs, PIs and research support personnel associated with a project, including for reasons of fostering and strengthening collaborations between participants in Australia and overseas, must be justified in full.

**E2. Justification of funding requested from the ARC**

**Personnel**

**Travel**

**Field Research**

**Equipment**

**Maintenance**

**Other**