

## CFI JELF Competition Timelines 2026 CRC-Partnered

- Formal internal process for JELF applications begins 16 weeks prior to the external CFI deadline.
- Informal process (meeting with ADR for application approval and with Western Research (WR) for pre-planning for the application development) should begin well in advance of the first meeting with Procurement.

| <b>April 22, 2026 Competition</b> |                                                         |
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| <b>Before January 5</b>           | <b>ADR informs WR of support for application</b>        |
| January 12-16                     | Meet with Procurement/WR to discuss application process |
| Friday, January 23                | Equipment list/quotes deadline to Procurement           |
| Monday, February 2                | 1st draft deadline to WR                                |
| Thursday, March 12                | Core Planning Group deadline                            |
| Monday April 6                    | Reference letter deadline                               |
| Monday April 13                   | Final internal submission to WR                         |
| <b>Tuesday, April 21</b>          | <b>WR submit to CFI (external deadline)</b>             |
| Monday, May 11                    | ORF forms due                                           |
| October 2026                      | CRC decision anticipated                                |
| November 2026                     | CFI decisions (if CRC awarded)                          |

Deadlines for competitions beyond April 2026 are forthcoming, pending anticipated changes to CRC program timelines.