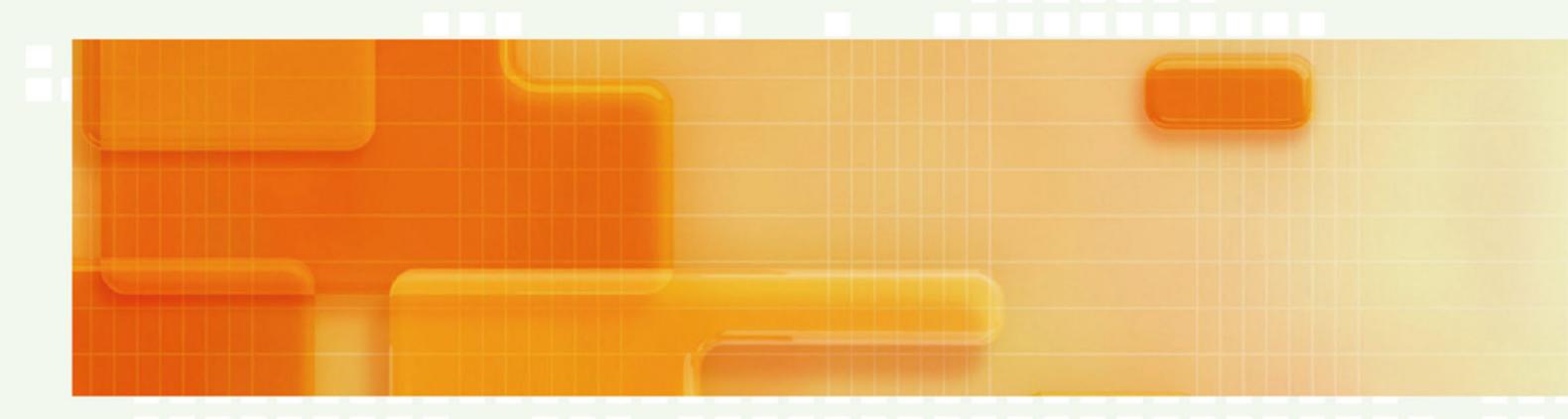
## **Main Responsibilities**



SFC is an institution directly under the jurisdiction of the State Council to administrate the National Natural Science Fund. In accordance with the Government's strategies and plans for the development of science and technology, NSFC is responsible for directing, coordinating and making effective use of the national natural science fund to support basic research and stimulate free exploration, identify and foster scientific talents, as well as to promote progress in science and technology and the harmonious socioeconomic development for the nation.

- Formulate and implement funding plans to support basic research, identify and foster scientific talents, accept project applications, organize peer review, administrate funded projects, promote the effective allocation of scientific resources, and create a favorable environment for innovation;
- Formulate principles, policies and plans for the national development of basic research in accordance with the governmental administrations for science and technology, and provide consultations for major issues in the science and technology development of the country;
- Implement works entrusted by the State Council and relevant governmental administrations, and joint funding activities with relevant institutions;
- Establish partnerships with governmental administrations for science and technology, funding agencies and academic institutions in other countries and regions and conduct international collaborations;
- 5. Provide supports to other science foundations in China;
- 6. Undertake other tasks assigned by the State Council.