1st NSFC-JST Joint Evaluation for Funded Projects Ends Successfully



On June 28, 2008, the 1st Joint Evaluation Meeting of NSFC-JST Cooperative Projects was successfully held in Xi'an. More than 30 scientists from both sides and representatives from NSFC and JST attended the meeting.

With 3 from each side, a total of 6 experts formed the joint panel. The meeting split into open and close sessions as designed. The open session was for all participants including applicants while the close one was just for panelists and representatives from NSFC and JST. The Chinese and Japanese PIs of the 4 projects approved jointly by NSFC and JST in 2004 made joint presentations and response to the inquiries from the panelists in the open session. In the closed session, the panel formed the evaluation opinion on each project and voted for the projects to be extended with further support. This meeting proved to be an instructive try-out for international evaluation on cooperative projects with foreign funding agencies.

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