

Please refer to the following publications for detailed information

List of approved joint projects supported by the National Natural Science Foundation of China and Austria Science Foundation for 2010

List of approved joint projects supported by the National Natural Science Foundation of China and the Royal Society of Edinburgh for 2010

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NSFC Announced the Guide to Asia 3 Foresight Program for 2010

Asia 3 Foresight Program is a cooperative research program set up jointly by the National Natural Science Foundation of China (NSFC), Japan Society for Promotion of Science (JSPS) and Korean Science and Engineering Foundation (KOSEF, now Korean National Research Foundation, NRF).

Asia 3 Foresight Program support scientists in China, Japan and Korea to conduct first class cooperative research in selected strategic areas and, through implementation of the program, foster outstanding S&T talent and solve jointly regional problems, and make Asia an influential science research center in the world.

After consultations among the three parties, the cooperative area for 2010 of the Asia 3 Foresight Program is “renewable energy”. The specific research directions are:

1. Photovoltaic energy conversion (organic and efficient)
2. Thermal energy conversion (thermal electric transfer, geothermal and solar energy)
3. Biomass energy conversion (bio-ethanol, bio-fuel cells)
4. Fuel cell and lithium ion battery
5. Artificial photosynthesis

The program is for 3 years. The projects awarded in 2010 will commence on August 1, 2010.

There will not be more than 2 cooperative projects for 2010, and NSFC provides 2 million yuan for each project. The funding covers research and travel costs.

According to the “Regulations of Management for International (Regional) Cooperative Projects of NSFC” applicant should meet the following conditions:

1. The applicant should have senior professional position (title);
2. The applicant should be the PI of NSFC project, or have ongoing NSFC project of more than 3 years;
3. The applicant with senior professional position (title) should may not apply for or participate in more than one project at the same year;
4. those who are the PI's of ongoing cooperative projects or those who are participating in ongoing co-operative project with senior professional position (title) may not apply or participating applications.
5. Scientists in China, Japan and Korea should have some basis of cooperation, and the applications should be complementing to each others' strength.

For details, please see the Guide to Asia 3 Foresight Program for 2010