

NSFC Announced the Guide to NSFC-RFBR Joint Research Programs

According to agreement, the National Natural Science Foundation of China and Russian Foundation for Basic Research will continue to support joint projects. The following gives notes and requirement for applications for projects in 2011 to 2012.

I . Notes on programs

1. Time for project implementation: January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2012.
2. Amount of funding: NSFC will give maximum of 90 000 yuan per project for mutually approved projects by both parties, including 40 000 yuan for exchange expenses and 50 000 yuan for research cost. The funding will be paid in two years.
3. According agreement, research group consist of 5 people from each side. Each party can arrange 20 person-days on exchange per year, and up to two people travel to the other party. As a general principle, the sending party pays the international travel expenses, and the host party pays the local living expenses of the visitors.
4. Approved projects will be announced at the official website of NSFC in November 2010, and the PI of the approved project should submit relevant materials, please see the official notification of the approval results for detailed requirements.
5. Areas of funding:
 - 1) Mathematics, mechanics and informatics;
 - 2) Physics and astronomy;
 - 3) Chemistry, materials sciences;
 - 4) Biology and medical Sciences;
 - 5) Earth Sciences;
 - 6) Telecommunications and computer science;
 - 7) Fundamentals of engineering sciences;
 - 8) Management Sciences.

II . Application requirement

1. Chinese applicant must be the principal investigator of or main participants to NSFC's ongoing project ending after December 31, 2010, and the cooperation should be based on the ongoing project.
2. The Chinese applicant must be a member of the research group of the ongoing project of NSFC.
3. Applicant already awarded the joint project of NSFC-RFBR in 2009—2010 may not apply again.
4. The deadline of project application is April 30, 2010 (validated by post mark of printed copy of application)

For details, please see the Guide to NSFC-RFBR joint research programs for 2011—2012 for details.