

Research Fund for International Young Scientists Call for Proposals FY 2016

The Fund supports **foreign young scientists** to conduct basic research in mainland China in all areas of science, engineering and health research which are covered by NSFC with the aim to promote sustainable academic collaboration and exchanges between Chinese and foreign young scientists. **Grantees are also eligible for renewing the Fund once based on review and selection.**

I. The Fund

A. How to Apply

Applicants with foreign citizenship should directly apply to NSFC through their host institutions in China.

B. Eligibility

Applicants with foreign citizenship should meet the following qualifications:

1. Less than 40 years old by January 1, 2016 (born on or after January 1, 1976).
2. Have a Ph.D. degree.
3. Have experience of conducting basic research projects or postdoctoral research.
4. Guarantee of full-timework at the host institutions during the project implementation.
5. Abide by Chinese laws and NSFC's relevant rules and regulations while doing research in China.

C. Award Information

Project Duration: One year or two years starting from January 1, 2017

Award size: RMB 200,000 Yuan per project for one year or RMB 400,000 Yuan per project for two years, the award includes direct cost and indirect cost.

D. Proposal Submission

Proposals should be submitted via the Internet-based Science Information System (ISIS). Applicants should complete the proposal forms following the online instructions and outlines for the Fund. After online submission, applicants should print and sign PDF version of the final application form **in duplicate** and submit it **before March 11, 2016** to the office of science and technology of NAOC along with the **supplementary documents**.

E. Supplementary Documents

1. Copy of agreement signed by the applicant and the host institution. The agreement should include the following items:
 - 1) Signatures by the applicant and the host institution and inclusion of the subsistence cost provision.
 - 2) The subsistence cost provided by the host institution should cover the funding period, or the agreement should include terms guaranteeing the applicant will work in China during the funding period.
 - 3) The agreement should be signed and sealed by the legal person of the host institution.
2. Copy of the applicant's Ph.D. degree certificate: The Ph.D. degree certificate is not

replaceable by other forms of documents or certificates.

3. Copies of the front pages of no more than five representative papers.

II. Renewal of the Fund

A. Application

The Renewal of the Fund is **either for one year or two years**. Awardees of Funds which end on **December 31, 2016** may apply for Renewal of the Fund. The awardees should apply via the ISIS **between August 22 and September 16, 2016** and complete the proposal forms following the online instructions and outlines for the Fund. Progress and outcome of the previous funding should be clearly stated in the proposal. After online submission, applicants should print and sign PDF version of the final application form **in duplicate** and submit it **before September 16, 2016** to the office of science and technology of NAOC along with the **supplementary documents**.

B. Award Information

Project Duration: One year or two years starting from January 1, 2017

Award size: RMB 200,000 Yuan per project over one year or RMB 400,000 Yuan per project over two years, the award includes direct cost and indirect cost.

C. Supplementary Documents

1. Copy of agreement signed by the applicant and the host institution. The agreement should include the following items:

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2. The applicant's entry and exit record from China during the period of the previous project: A list with the dates of entry and exit and copies of the passport stamps should be provided.

3. Copies of the front pages of no more than five representative papers.

III. Contact Information

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