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2015 (for FY2016) Call for Joint Research Projects (JP) and Joint Research Seminars (JS)

Call Start: 29 May 2015

Deadline: 08 September 2015

Introduction:

The Austrian Science Fund (FWF) and the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS) jointly offer the possibility to apply for **bilateral Japanese-Austrian Joint Research Projects** and **Joint Seminars**.

Joint Projects (JP):

Deadline for Applications: 8 September 2015 (for applicants at FWF and JSPS, respectively)

Subject Area: all fields of basic research, all disciplines

Max. Duration of Projects: 2 years

(Applicants at FWF can apply for a third year, given that a scientific justification as well as a justification of costs for the third year is included in the application)

Start of joint projects: from April 2016 onwards

Max. Number of Joint Projects to be financed: 3

Joint Research Projects should combine the **complementary expertise** of the project partners, the projects parts should be **closely integrated** and there should be relevant scientific input from both sides. The two parts of the research projects are **financed separately by the respective national funding agency**. JSPS finances the costs for the Japanese part while FWF finances the costs for the Austrian part. The respective costs thus have to be applied for at JSPS or FWF.

Cost calculations:

Costs for the Austrian and Japanese project parts must be calculated in accordance with the [guidelines of FWF](#) and [JSPS](#) respectively. If a project is approved, the two project parts will be funded separately according to national rules by JSPS and FWF.

Eligible topics:

All fields of basic research are eligible

How to write a proposal:

Applicants have to **submit applications to JSPS and FWF** using the [application forms by FWF](#) and [JSPS](#) respectively with a narrative text as an attachment. **The title of both applications must be the same.** Generally the applications have to be submitted **in accordance to the rules of the respective national funding agency.** At FWF the [application guidelines for stand-alone projects](#) apply.

Applicants at FWF should also consult the [Information sheet for joint projects](#) for more details.

Austrian applicants must submit at least the following forms to FWF: application form, form “programme specific data”, FWF cost sheet (including the costs for the Austrian part only), attachment co-authors, any other forms (e.g. for national research partners, only if eligible). The narrative text (no more than 20 pages) must be written in **English** and must follow the **formal criteria** as set out in the **FWF guidelines for stand-alone projects**. In the work and time plan the **whole project** should be explained. Also the **close interaction** between the two project parts should be well described and the **additional value** of the **bilateral co-operation should become evident**. The project description must also **include separate budget justifications** (justification of personnel costs and of non-personnel costs; please consult the respective application guidelines for eligible costs). The application should **include a short presentation of the project partners**, explaining his/her special contribution to the project and his/her competencies. Finally, a scientific CV (no more than three pages per person) and a list of scientific publications in the last 5 years (most notably project relevant) and a separate list of the 10 most important scientific publications in the project partners entire career to date must be included.

Applications can be submitted **on paper (along with a data medium)** or **online** at

<https://elane.fwf.ac.at>.

The instructions and formal guidelines for submission of applications are described on page 2-4 of the [application guidelines for stand-alone projects](#) and must be strictly followed.

In case of an **online submission of applications**, users are first required to register at the address shown above. All of the necessary forms must then be filled out online; additional files such as the free-form application, etc. can be uploaded. For additional information, please see the user's manual for electronic applications to the FWF which is available at the address shown above. Once the application has been completed, a **PDF cover sheet** can be generated. This cover sheet must be signed, stamped (if necessary), and sent to the FWF by conventional mail **within the given deadline**. **The application is not officially considered to be "submitted" until the FWF receives the cover sheet.** Alternatively, the signed/stamped cover sheet can be scanned in, signed using the applicant's qualified electronic signature¹ and sent to the FWF by e-mail. Please note that a signed/stamped version of the cover sheet without a qualified electronic signature will **not suffice**.

Proposals submitted after the deadline will not be dealt with. Applicants at FWF are required to rectify the errors in their applications within 10 days after being notified of the errors.

At JSPS, the requirements for the call and application forms which should be used can be downloaded here: <http://www.jsps.go.jp/english/e-bilat/index.html>

Evaluation – Funding Decision:

JSPS and FWF undertake a **separate evaluation** of the applications. On the basis of the **reviews**, the two funding agencies take their funding decision. Only if **both funding organisations** approve the respective proposals, the Joint Project can be financed.

¹ <http://www.digitales.oesterreich.gv.at/site/6520/default.aspx>

Joint Seminars (JS)

Deadline for Applications: 8 September 2015 (for applicants at FWF and JSPS, respectively)

Subject Area: all fields of basic research, all disciplines

Location: Japan or Austria

Duration: up to one week, seminar to be held during period between

1 April 2016 and 31 March 2017

Max. Number of Joint Seminars to be financed: 1

Joint Seminars are thematically well defined seminars aimed at facilitating the initiation of bilateral research co-operations and the preparation of applications for Joint Projects. Scientists from Japan and from Austria apply for their respective project parts at their country's funding organisation, using the forms prescribed by the respective agency. The titles of both applications must be the same. Only if both funding organisations approve the respective proposals, the Joint Project will be funded.

Eligible costs:

The "sending organisation" pays the international travel costs for its country's group members, while the "hosting organisation" covers local costs, including the guests' hotel costs. Applicants at FWF should consult the [Antragsrichtlinien für Joint Seminars](#) (Application Guidelines for Joint Seminars) for further details.

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