

Belmont Forum Collaborative Research Action on “Arctic Observing and Research for Sustainability - 2014”

National Annex: Japan

Partners: This call is supported by the Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST).

Notice: Depending on all conditions of eligibility and peer review being met, the budget earmarked by JST for this call will be: up to 500,000 Euros (according to exchange rates at time of funding).

The official national call announcement for Japan will be published on the JST website:

<http://www.jst.go.jp/>

Details of the call and the application process can be found on the Belmont Forum website:

<http://igfagcr.org/cra-2014-arctic-observing-and-research-sustainability>

Applicants are advised to contact their National Contact Points (please see below) before starting to prepare proposals for application.

In addition to the joint application process, Japanese applicants will have to register their applications on the Cross-Ministerial R&D Management System (e-Rad):

<https://www.e-rad.go.jp/index.html>

Eligibility and national funding modalities:

Any independent researcher personally affiliated with (and actively conducting research at) a domestic Japanese research institution, regardless of nationality, is eligible to apply.

'Domestic Japanese research institution' refers to universities, independent administrative institutions, national/public testing and Research Institutions, specially authorized corporations, public-service corporations and enterprises, etc. that satisfy requirements predetermined by the Japanese Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT). Please refer to the MEXT homepage for more information:

http://www.mext.go.jp/a_menu/kansa/houkoku/1301688.htm

The scale of funding provided to successful proposals will depend on the budget of each fiscal year.

Funding will be provided in support of research, travel and personnel expenses, as well as indirect costs (up to a maximum of 10% of direct costs).

It is expected that applications to this call will be Collaborative Research Grants with the consortium composition as defined in the call document, and that JST will fund the Japanese partners of any successful transnational collaboration.

Full details (in Japanese) regarding Japanese applications can be found on the call announcement page: http://www.jst.go.jp/sicp/announce_belmont_arctic.html

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