

Indo- Hungarian S&T Cooperation

General instructions

Proposals (as per funding instruments indicated at Annexure-IIA and Annexure-IIB) are invited from scientists and researchers of India and Hungary for support under Indo-Hungarian Strategic Research Fund (IHSRF) being supported by the Governments of India and Hungary. The nodal departments/agencies for the implementation of IHSRF are Department of Science & Technology (DST) India and the National Office of Science & Technology (NKTH) Hungary. IHSRF aims at bringing together researchers and research groups from Hungary and Indian institutions in scientific and technological areas of strategic relevance to both countries.

Types of activities to be funded

There are two types of activities to be funded:

- Joint research projects; (support available only for mobility of scientists from each side)
- Institutional Networked projects

Identified priority areas

Joint research projects

All areas of S&T are covered

Institutional Networked projects

- Green Chemistry including catalysis
- Biomedicine
- Optic & Electronics for Space applications

Minimum fund: 50 000EUR per project from each side Maximum fund: 200 000EUR per project from each side

Evaluation and selection

Applications submitted under the categories Joint Research Projects and Institutional Networked Projects will be reviewed by two independent expert committees, one in India, coordinated by DST, and one in Hungary, coordinated by NKTH.



Based on the comments of their reviewers, DST and NKTH will both produce a list of recommendations. Applications to be funded will be placed in category A, applications considered for funding in category B, and applications to be rejected in category C.

Intellectual property rights

The IPR generated under the projects/Networks shall be jointly shared according to the laws of each country basically on the prevailing principle of 40% of the income from IPR to the inventor and 60% to the Institute.

Submission

Joint Research Projects

Funding instruments are given in Annexure-IA, forms to be used in Annexure-IIA, Guidelines regarding organisation of the research visits in Annexure-IV.

Institutional Networked Projects

Funding instruments are given in Annexure-IB, forms to be used in Annexure-IIB, Guidelines regarding organisation of the research visits in Annexure-IV.

Funding in the areas of Green Chemistry including catalysis; Optics and electronics for space applications and Biomedicine will be based on formation of a Network with at-least 3 institutes from each side. Each Network has to choose their Group Leader or main PI.

Institutional Networked Projects have to be submitted though following procedure:.

First step

 DST (India) and NKTH (Hungary) shall organise one workshop in India and one in Hungary in the identified areas for Institutional Partnership Projects within the first 2 months of the joint call Networks will be formulated by the Area Coordinators in each of the above priority areas. In India, Area Coordinators will be nominated by DST; in Hungary, Area Coordinators will be selected according to the regulations prevailing in Hungary.

Second step

• After the joint workshop, the Group Leaders of each Network would be required to submit a joint research proposal by the deadline of this call.

The funding shall be made available to each individual PI within the Network.



The applications should be nicely stapled and should not be bounded. The original copy must be signed by the Hungarian and Indian principal investigators (electronic signature would be acceptable). Fax copies will not be accepted.

Hungarian applicants will send 3 copies of the Hungarian version, and 2 copies of the English version of the completed application form to:

TéT Alalpítvány

Budapest

Pf. 38

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Applicants from India will sent the original and 6 copies of the completed application form, done in English, along with an electronic copy in a single file, as email attachment to:

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Please use a standard 11 point for all text (not including figures or tables) and a 2.5 cm (one inch) margin on all sides.

Application deadline and time schedule for evaluation:

Completed applications (as per formats at Annexure-IIA, Annexure IIB) must be received or postmarked not later than 31st May 2008. Late and incomplete applications will not be accepted. The tentative time scheduled for implementing the proposals received under IHSRF is as below-

Last date for acceptance of applications – 30th April 2008

Deadline for evaluation by each side - 30th Sep 2008

Joint decision by both sides - 15th Nov 2008

Start of the projects/activities – 1st January 2010