

2015 CALL FOR RESEARCH PROJECTS

• The 2015 JoRISS call for Sino-French research projects is open as of June 2 2015.

AGENDA:

. Deadline for submission: September 30, 2015

. Date of notification of results: 2d week of December, 2015

JoRISS GUIDELINES:

Created in 2010, the Joint Research Institute for Science and Society (JoRISS) is an international research structure designed to foster scientific research collaborations between the East China Normal University of Shanghai (ECNU), the Ecole Normale Supérieure de Lyon (ENS de Lyon) and the Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS).

JoRISS acts primarily as:

- an incubator for new research projects over a 1 to 2 year long period
- a platform for long term development of projects previously incubated within or independently of JoRISS

For more details: - see the JoRISS website at http://joriss.ens-lyon.fr/

- contact the French or Chinese coordinator:

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GENERAL CONDITIONS OF ELIGIBILITY:

All research projects must be jointly conducted by an ECNU investigator and an ENS de Lyon related investigator (CNRS, INSERM, etc... researchers are eligible) but may involve researchers from other institutions. Participation of researchers from other partners of Université de Lyon is encouraged.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE CALL:

• Projects content:

- Submitted projects may fall in one of the 2 following categories:

1/ Projects dealing with the 2015 priority domain: Urban Studies

The accelerated transformation of urban centers is one of the major evolutions of modern times.

This transformation is firstly a quantitative one with the phenomenon of massive urbanization. It is estimated that since 2010 the majority of the world population now lives in cities for the first time in the history of mankind, and that all the main regions of the globe will share this situation by 2030. Such unprecedented urbanization raises numerous and now much discussed challenges in terms of city organization, food production and supply, transportation,

environmental impact, health protection... But the transformation is also a qualitative one. Under the pressure of these challenges, as well as a result of additional factors, the face of urban centers is drastically changing. They are not only vastly expanding but also profoundly modifying their architecture, sociology, life-style, technologies...

In connection with these profound changes, the study of urban phenomena has undergone an important development and reshuffling, leading in particular to the establishment of the interdisciplinary field of Urban Studies.

The 2015 JoRISS call for research projects intends to contribute to the further reinforcement and enlargement of this field by solliciting Sino-French research collaboration proposals that may investigate any aspect of the full range of issues raised by the phenomenon of urban centers and contibute to illuminate their on-going revolution.

2/ Free topic Projects:

The 6th Call is also open, without any topic limitation, to all research projects satisfying the JoRISS conditions of eligibility.

- The Call is open to all disciplines. Projects with an interdisciplinary or multidisciplinary perspective are encouraged.

• Projects type:

- Submitted projects may fall in one of the following categories:
 - 1. Incubating projects:
 - a/ New projects:
 - . JoRISS provides up to 20 000 euros in seed money for the incubation of new research projects;
 - . 50°/° of the funding obtained is provided by ECNU to the Chinese members of the research project, and 50°/° is provided by ENS de Lyon to the French members of the research project;
 - . funds can be used for a maximum period of 24 months;
 - . project leaders must commit themselves to seek further subsidies from national and international funding agencies in the course of the incubating period and are strongly encouraged to submit projects with partial funding from other sources already secured;
 - . at the end of the first year, selected projects may solicit additional seed funding from JoRISS;
 - . successfully matured projects at the end of the incubating period are committed to pursue their development at JoRISS with external financial support;
 - b/ Continuing projects:
 - . incubating projects selected in 2014 can solicit additional seed funding within the limit of 20 000 euros;
 - . funds obtained can be used for a maximum period of 24 months;
- 2. Developing projects:
 - . incubating projects selected in previous calls as well as projects incubated independently of JoRISS may apply to pursue their development at Joriss for a period of 2 years, renewable;
 - . developing projects must be financially autonomous;
 - . occasional financial help for organizing research activities can however be solicited from JoRISS in the course of the project;
 - . developing projects benefit from all material advantages attached to JoRISS, including the use of the JoRISS website, administrative assistance, the use of the Shanghaï JoRISS office and a yearly round-trip Lyon-Shanghaï ticket;
 - . they also fully benefit from the privileged scientific and interdisciplinary environment of JoRISS and participate to all common activities;

. developing projects are required to provide a progress report every 2 years.

- Special attention will be paid to the following criteria in the selection process :
 - number of doctoral students involved in the project;
 - number of high standard scientific publications authored by the investigators in the area of the project;
 - amount of seed funding already secured;
 - adequacy with the strategic scientific orientations of the three partners.

SUBMISSION PROCEDURE:

• Applicants are strongly encouraged to have a preliminary discussion about their projects with one of the JoRISS coordinators (See mails above) before submitting their application.

• Application forms can be found on the "Call for Projects" page of the JoRISS website: <u>Click</u>

• Proposals must include:

1/ Incubating Projects: New projects

- a completed application form to be downloaded from the JoRISS website;
- a description of the project not exceeding 4 pages and including all crucial information, such as: brief history of previous and/or existing collaborations, agenda of realization of the project, detailed list of involved investigators, specific relevance of a Sino-French cooperation, originality in the field, expected scientific and institutional impacts, long term perspectives and potential beyond launching period...;
- a letter of commitment by the two co-directors of the project to actively secure the complementary seed funding mentioned in the proposal;
- a detailed budget, specifying the breakdown of the total amount into standard category of expenses (travel, stay, instruments...) and the anticipated distribution of expenses between France based investigators and China based investigators;
- a short curriculum vitae of the two project leaders emphasizing their scientific competences and achievements related to the project.

2/ Incubating Projects: Continuing projects

- a detailed report on the scientific realization of the initial project since its official starting date (not exceeding 4 pages);
- an update on the different adjustments that might have been introduced in the project since its selection (not exceeding 2 pages);
- an update on the financial situation of the project, detailing the use of previously obtained JoRISS funds, and the amount and nature of complementary funding actually secured;
- a document motivating the solicitation of additional seed funding from JoRISS and detailing its destination.

3/ Developing Projects:

First application:

- a completed application form to be downloaded from the JoRISS website;
- a presentation of the project including (not exceeding 10 pages):

- a/ an updated general scientific and organizational presentation of the project
- b/ a detailed presentation of the incubation phase: research activities, results obtained, publications, funding conditions
- c/ a 2 year work program
- d/ a presentation of the funding situation.

Renewal (every 2 years):

- an updated summary of the scientific and organizational presentation of the project
- a presentation of the research work accomplished over the past two years (2014 and 2015)
- a presentation of the work program for the years 2016 and 2017
- a presentation of the present funding situation
- Proposals must be submitted to joriss@ens-lyon.fr in **PDF format only**.