

To: All Academic Staff  
From: Research Office (RO)



## 国家自然科学基金委员会

National Natural Science Foundation of China

*Reminder for Academic Colleagues: For co-ordination purpose, individual Faculty/School (F/S) may have its own administrative arrangements and internal deadlines on top of those provided by the RO. Academic colleagues are expected to satisfy all requirements when preparing their applications and seeking endorsement from their respective F/S before forwarding the materials to the RO.*

The National Natural Science Foundation of China (NSFC) is now calling for applications for the following program of the “ **International (Regional) Cooperation and Exchange Program 2023** ”. Colleagues are invited to submit applications through the HKBU Institute for Research and Continuing Education (IRACE). Details are as follows:

<b>Research Program</b>	<a href="#">NSFC-BRICS STI Framework Programme 與金磚國家科技創新框架計畫合作研究項目</a>
<b>Research Areas</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Building Resilience: Local Scale Adaptation and Adaptive Response at Catchment Scale 局部尺度適應與流域尺度適應性反應的韌性建設</li><li>2. Earth Observation Technology-Based Assessment of the Impacts and Consequences of Climate Change 基於對地觀測技術的氣候變化影響和結果評估</li><li>3. Systematic Response—Using Water, Energy, Food Nexus Approach for A Cross-Sectoral Management of Climate Change 應用“食品-能源-水”系統關聯方法對氣候變化進行跨部門管理的系統回應</li><li>4. Risks to Low-Lying Coastal Socio-Ecological Systems 低窪沿海地區社會-生態系統風險</li></ol>
<b>Eligibility</b>	Principal Investigators (PIs) should meet the following requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- RAP or above</li><li>- With an on-going or undertaken NSFC project in the capacity of PI. The project duration should be of no less than 3 years</li><li>- The number of domestic cooperative research institutions shall not exceed 2</li></ul>
<b>Funding Period</b>	3 Years (1 July 2024 – 30 June 2027)
<b>Funding Amount</b>	RMB 2 million

	Items	Action Parties
Application Procedures	<p>1) Prepare and submit the application via the <a href="#">GRANTS System</a> by <b>30 October 2023 (Monday)</b>. Late application will not be accepted. <i>(Kindly be reminded of safekeeping your login name and password as it may take at least 1 – 2 days to regenerate a new one.)</i></p> <p>2) Submit the following documents to your Dean/Director for endorsement:            (a) Application Form printed from the System including all the attachments (one-copy, two-sided);            (b) Joint Research Agreement (<a href="#">Template</a> for use)            (c) <a href="#">Mainland Grant Application Checklist</a>.</p> <p>3) Submit <u>ethics/safety applications</u> to the Research Ethics Committee, if applicable:            The deadline for filing an ethics/safety application via BUniPort is <b>23 October 2023 (Monday)</b>. Please refer to <a href="#">Guidelines on Online Submission of Ethics/Safety Applications</a> for necessary steps.  <i>(Ethics/safety approval usually takes 25 working days to process.)</i></p> <p>4) Submit cooperation application to the Academic Partnership Tracking Platform, if applicable:            The deadline for filing a cooperation application via the Academic Partnership Tracking Platform is <b>23 October 2023 (Monday)</b>. Please refer to <a href="#">Guidelines on Online Submission of co-operation Applications</a> for necessary steps.  <i>(Co-operation approval usually takes 25 working days to process.)</i></p>	PIs
	<p>5) Give comments/suggestions to PIs for revision when necessary.</p> <p>6) Submit the documents (in soft copy) as stated in Item 2 above to RO by <b>30 October 2023 (Monday)</b>.</p>	Deans/Director
	<p>7) Upon receiving the complete set of application documents, RO/IRACE will online submit the application to NSFC.</p>	RO/IRACE
	Register for NSFC Electronic Account	For applicants who do not have an application account of the NSFC System, please contact the IRACE at <a href="mailto:hkbuirace@hkbu.edu.hk">hkbuirace@hkbu.edu.hk</a> for registration.
Other Application Details	<a href="#">GRANTS Electronic System (user guide)</a>	

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**IMPORTANT:**

➤ If an applicant departs from the University during the application period, the affiliated Department is required to inform the RO about his/her departure. The RO will follow it up with the funding body accordingly.

**NOTICE – Other Funding Opportunities:**

The Research Office maintains a webpage on the various internal and external funding opportunities and the current calls for colleagues' information. You are encouraged to check the information at <https://research.hkbu.edu.hk/funding-opportunities> regularly.