

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 “**Special Project of the Department of Management Sciences**”. Colleagues are invited to submit applications through the HKBU Institute for Research and Continuing Education (IRACE). Details are as follows:

<b>Research Program</b>	<b><u>Basic Research on Cooperative Operation and Policy Mechanism for New Energy Systems</u></b> 面向新型能源系統的協同運營與政策機制基礎研究
<b>Research Areas</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Safe and Intelligent Data Collaboration for New Energy Systems 新型能源系統安全智慧的數據協同</li><li>2. New Energy System Safety and Resilience Facility Layout 新型能源系統安全韌性的設施佈局</li><li>3. Clean and Efficient Cooperative Scheduling of New Energy Systems 新型能源系統清潔高效的協同調度</li><li>4. New Energy Market Linkage Characteristics and Interaction Mechanism 新能源的市場聯動特徵與交互機制</li><li>5. Energy Financial Management to Promote the Development of New Energy 促進新能源發展的能源金融管理</li><li>6. Policy Incentive Mechanism for Developing New Energy Systems 發展新型能源系統的政策激勵機制</li><li>7. The Development Path of New Energy System Oriented to Regional Integration 面向區域融合的新型能源系統發展路徑</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 experience in undertaking basic research projects</li></ul>
<b>Funding Period</b>	4 Years (1 January 2024 – 31 December 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>23 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) <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>16 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>16 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
	5) Give comments/suggestions to PIs for revision when necessary.	Deans/Director
	6) Submit the documents (in soft copy) as stated in Item 2 above to RO by <b>23 October 2023 (Monday)</b> .	
	7) Upon receiving the complete set of application documents, RO/IRACE will online submit the application to NSFC.	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.