

SOUTH AFRICA / CHINA SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH COLLABORATION: CALL FOR PROPOSALS (2017)

Background

The Agreement on Scientific and Technological Cooperation between the Government of the People's Republic of China and the Government of the Republic of South Africa was signed in 1999. In 2001, the relations were given impetus through the creation of a Bi-National Commission to champion bilateral relations in seven sectoral committees, including science and technology. In line with this agreement we are pleased to announce a call for joint research project proposals between South African and Chinese researchers, and herewith invite all interested parties to submit their applications.

Aims of the Programme

- To contribute to scientific advancement in both countries through the funding of joint research activities in specified research fields;
- To provide an opportunity for young researchers in the two countries to meet and interact;
- To support the advancement of basic research; and
- To contribute meaningfully to research capacity development.

Areas of Cooperation

Joint research proposals may be submitted in the following designated thematic areas prioritised by South Africa and China:

- Advance Materials
- Ocean Science
- Traditional Medicine
- Deep Mining.

In terms of human capital development, South African applications from previously disadvantaged researchers are encouraged, as is the involvement of historically disadvantaged higher education institutions.

Duration of projects

The projects will be supported for a period of two years starting from 2017.

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