



# The Royal Society: UK-Japan Collaborative Programmes

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## Engaging with the best scientists worldwide:

- International Travel Grants (since September 2008)
- International Joint Projects
- Newton International Fellowships (since June 2008)
- Special networking initiatives  
(China, India, South Africa)

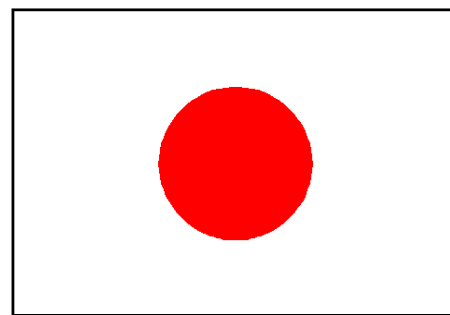
## Strengthening the role of science in international development:

- NRF/RS Joint Collaborative Programme (since 1996)
- The Leverhulme – Royal Society Africa Award (since October 2000)



## Exchanges and Collaborations with Japan:

The Society runs four major grant schemes, which include Japan:



- International Travel Grant (NEW)
- Joint Projects
- Newton International Fellowship (NEW)
- *Nominating authority for JSPS Standard Fellowships*

## Conference Grants (discontinued):

- Was available for UK-based scientists to attend conference overseas
- 27 Conference Grants to UK scientists to attend conferences in Japan in FY 2007/08
- Japan was the sixth most popular destination for this scheme after the USA, Canada, Australia, China, and Italy during this period
- Merged with Short Visits in 2008

## Short Visits (discontinued):

- One-off visits to or from the UK for up to 12 weeks
- This award covered local travel, subsistence, and international airfare (from UK only)
- 4 Outgoing and 1 Incoming Short Visits were award in FY 2008/09
- Merged with Conference Grants in 2008

## International Travel Grants:

- Result of merger of two previously mentioned schemes
- Major objective:
  - To enable UK-based scientists to promote collaboration with scientists from overseas countries (including attendance of conferences, workshops, and seminars)
- Global remit
- Up to £4,000
- Flexibility for applicants to cost activity (including for the first time airfares for incoming visits)
- First round: 3 awards to UK - Japan collaborations

## | Joint Projects:

- Mobility grants for bilateral collaborations between UK and other countries (four calls/year)
- Support available for two years
- Applicants must be post-doctoral, but other, more junior team members, including PhD students, can participate in project
- Maximum claimable allowance of £6,000, out of which £1,000 can be used to cover research costs
- 15 UK - Japan Joint Projects funded by the Society in FY 2008/09

## Joint Project in partnership with *Daiwa Anglo-Japanese Foundation*:

- New funding arrangement over five years from 2007
- Up to five Joint Projects annually entirely funded by *Daiwa Anglo-Japanese Foundation*
- The application and selection procedure handled by the Royal Society
- In FY 2008/09 the Society awarded 5 additional Joint Projects

## Newton International Fellowship scheme:



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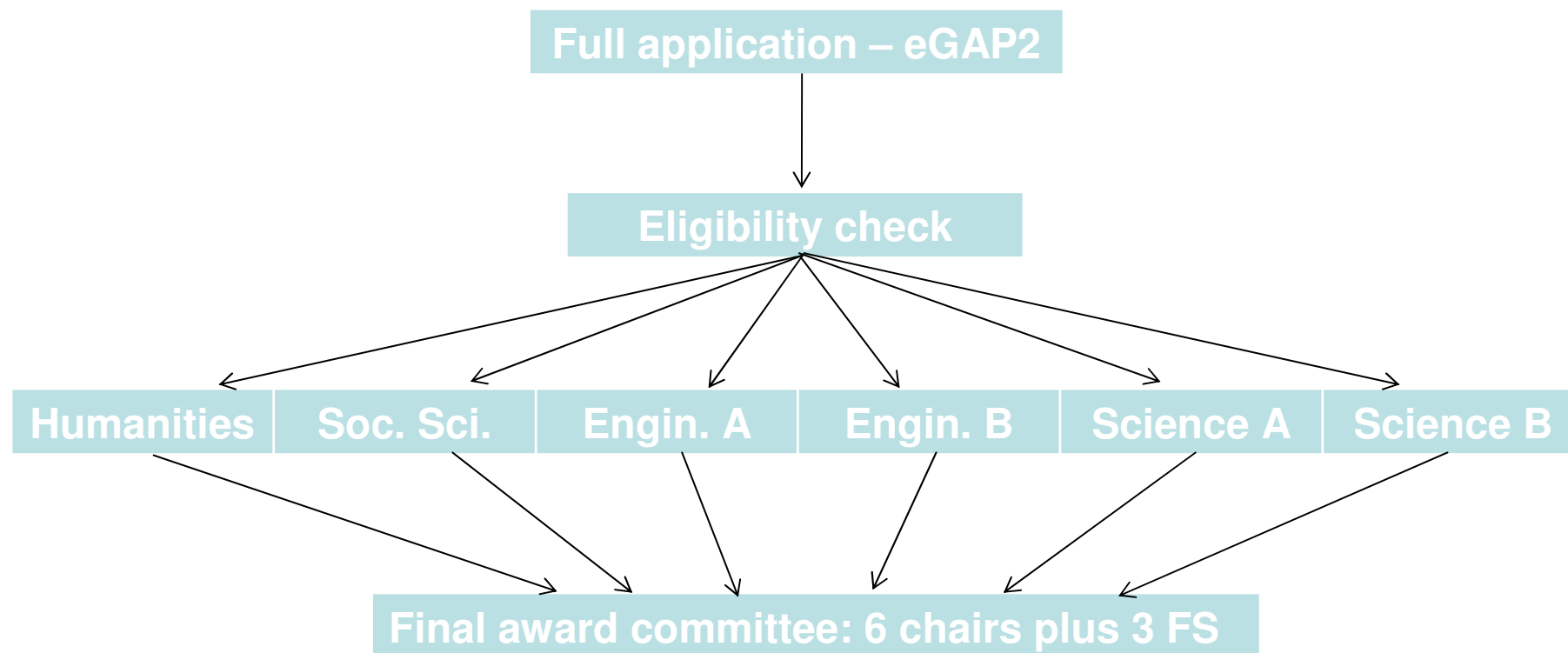
The next round of applications will open in December 2009.



## Newton International Fellowships:

- Partnership with British Academy & Royal Academy of Engineering
- Aimed at early career post-doctoral researchers from abroad
- Two year tenure plus ten year alumni support:
  - £24k subsistence annually
  - £8k research costs annually
  - £2k relocation (one-off payment)
  - £6k/year alumni support for up to ten years
- Official launch event with DIUS: 4<sup>th</sup> June 2008
- First round: 700 applications, 51 fellowships, 1 award for Japanese scientist (engineering)
- Second round: 713 applications, 51 fellowships, 3 awards to Japanese scientists (hum.: 1, engineer.: 1, basic nat. sci.: 1)

# Selection procedures:



## *JSPS Postdoctoral Fellowships programme:*

- The Society acts as a nominating authority for this programme
- The scheme supports postdoctoral researchers from the UK to conduct research at a research institutions in Japan for 1-2 years
- The Society nominated up to 10 researchers a year
- This programme is entirely funded by JSPS
- The Society recently completed this year's round of applications and submitted the recommendations



The screenshot shows the e-GAP2 login interface. At the top, there is a blue header with the Royal Society logo and text: 'THE ROYAL SOCIETY CELEBRATING 350 YEARS'. To the right of the header is a graphic with the text 'e-GAP<sup>2</sup>'. Below the header is a navigation bar with buttons for 'Login', 'Register', and 'About e-GAP'. The main content area is a white rounded rectangle with a blue border. It contains the following text and elements:

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## Applying to the Society:

- We don't accept applications on paper
- All applications for all our schemes are submitted and processed on-line
- New bespoke system launched in June 2008: e-Gap2
- We are also handling the JSPS Fellowship applications on the e-GAP2 system
- All applications are reviewed by dedicated panels of experts
- The Leverhulme - Royal Society Africa Award involves external peer review

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