

Application Guidelines for the JSPS London Collaboration Prize

Closing date: Wednesday 4th January, 2017

Award Period: Between April 2017 to the end of February 2018

OUTLINE:

The purpose of this prize is facilitate collaboration between pairs of researchers who met at the Japan-UK JSPS London Research Promotion Conference on 16th November 2016.

There will be two prizes of £1,000 each for a pair of researchers. Prize money should be used for meetings and visits to research facilities in the UK, to discuss long term projects and preparation for writing larger joint research grant proposals. Applications should be submitted by one pair of researchers that preferably include one JSPS Alumni or JBUK member. We hope through this prize to see new interdisciplinary collaboration initiated.

AWARD GUIDELINES:

Using this prize money, one or multiple trips can be made to one or several research facilities in the UK including the applicant's own institution or others. The applicants should be responsible for arranging these visits and their colleagues can also be involved. The maximum amount reimbursed to each successful pair of applicants will be £1,000 according to the provisions explained below:

1.) Allocation of Funding

(a.) Travel

The most economical type of travel should be used.

(b.) Maintenance Allowance

Prize money can be used as a daily allowance to cover subsistence and accommodation. Successful applicants will be notified in April 2017 of the upper limit that can be used each day as a daily allowance from the prize money.

We ask that successful candidates use this prize money between April 2017 to the end of February 2018.

2.) Application Assessment Criteria

- All applications should demonstrate that JSPS funds will be used for clearly defined visit(s) to facilitate long term and new research collaboration which is challenging and interdisciplinary.
- The applicants should discuss the research visit(s) together in detail prior to the application.

- The visit may include discussion and exchange of ideas for a future joint research project, conducting preliminary experiments and surveys as part of larger, long term, projects, discussion of joint research grants, and/or discussion of organizing seminars to publicize research outcomes.

3.) Eligibility

Only participants of the Japan-UK JSPS London Research Promotion Conference held on 16th November, 2016 are eligible to apply for this prize.

Applications should be submitted by one pair of researchers that preferably include one JSPS Alumni or JBUK member.

4.) Funding Availability

Funding can only be used for the direct benefit of the applicants and not colleagues. To confirm that your intended use of funding makes you eligible to apply for this prize, please e-mail Ms. Polly Watson at JSPS London to discuss: polly@jsps.org or telephone 020 7255 4660.

- 2 awards are expected to be made as a result of this call. Results are expected to be announced in February 2017 after peer review has been conducted.

Please note, due to JSPS London's fiscal budgetary policy, **we request that all receipts and supporting documents are returned to our office as soon as travel has taken place, and no later than 9th March 2018.** We need to receive these on time in order to be able to reimburse all costs.

5.) Application Procedure

To apply for the scheme, please download and complete the application form available from this web page:

<http://www.jsps.org/news/2016/11/jsps-london-japan-uk-research-promotion-conference-2016-1.html>

Please note that the reviewers will be UK-based researchers and might not all be Japanese nationals. Therefore, please write the application form in English and provide correspondence also in English.

Please do not exceed the space provided in any section and do not use a font size below 11. Any additional information given will not be considered.

Completed applications and scanned, supporting documents should be sent by e mail to Ms. Polly Watson at: polly@jsps.org

6.) Closing Date for Applications

The closing date for applications is **Wednesday 4th January, 2017**

Applications submitted any later will not be considered.

7.) Responsibilities of the Awardees

The awardees are requested to write an easy-to-read essay in the JSPS London Newsletter about the outcomes of the research visit as well as a future plan of collaboration that has emerged.