

KU – UNIVIE Joint Grant Program

Call for Joint Project Proposals 2022

Kyoto University (KU) and the University of Vienna (UNIVIE) aim to further expand and strengthen cooperation in the framework of their Strategic Partnership established in 2019. In striving to achieve this goal, the universities are pleased to announce the launch of a **new grant program for joint projects** to support collaborations in research and education between their faculty members **in all academic disciplines**.

The grant program seeks to support scientists from both institutions to either deepen and broaden ongoing collaboration, or to initiate new cooperation projects. Priority will be given to providing support for new projects.

Funding and Eligible Costs

In this call we expect to fund four projects. The total funding amount per project is up to EUR 7,400 / JPY 1,000,000.

The grant is designed to support faculty members of KU und UNIVIE in pursuing joint activities such as:

- Intensive research workshops, conferences, roundtables, and symposia
- Mobility for joint research and meetings
- The development of joint (PhD) education activities, such as short term programs (e.g. summer/winter schools), seminars and colloquia
- Joint publications

Eligible costs are:

- Travel expenses
- Accommodation costs
- Catering costs (for in-person activities only)
- Venue rental fees
- Costs for student assistants (not for research or experiments, but for events related to the project)
- Shipment costs
- Publishing costs

Timelines

- **Submission deadline:** 6:59 (JST) 8 June / 23:59 (CEST) 7 June 2022
- **Selection decision:** early July 2022
- **Funding period duration:** July 2022 to early March 2023

Applicants and Application Process

Applications should be jointly submitted by one full-time senior faculty member from each institution who act as project coordinators. It is expected that the joint project involves additional researchers from both universities. Participation of early career researchers (including PhD students) is encouraged.

Application Document

Proposals for the KU-UNIVIE grant program should be submitted by one of the project coordinators at KU or UNIVIE. Please send your proposal as a single PDF file by email to **Ms. Janna Kazim** (janna.kazim@univie.ac.at). The application has to be submitted in English and has to include:

1. Completed application form, including:
 - Project title
 - Name, institute affiliation and contact information of both Project Coordinators
 - Name and institute affiliation of additional project participants
 - Description of the planned project/activity (approx. 2 pages) including:
 - Project narrative, objectives and significance
 - Place of project/activity (Kyoto/Vienna)
 - Time schedule
 - Future activities closely connected to the project (e.g. joint publications, joint submissions to funding agencies)
 - Detailed budget plan
 - Description of the contribution to the further development of the cooperation and the Strategic Partnership
2. CV of each Project Coordinator

Selection Criteria and Selection Process

Projects will be selected by selection committees at both universities, who agree on a joint ranking list. The following criteria will be taken into account:

- Scientific quality, innovation and importance of the project;
- A coherent and clearly formulated activity plan;
- Outcomes (e.g. joint publications, further project proposals, knowledge transfer) and sustainability of the collaboration (long-term collaboration of the departments beyond the project, e.g. joint teaching, etc.);
- Contribution to strengthening institutional links between KU and UNIVIE (e.g. project in new field/department, etc., participation of early career researchers);
- Reasonableness of costs

Financial Management and Reporting

The two project coordinators will be responsible for the use of funds in accordance with the applicable regulations of KU and UNIVIE as well as the documentation of expenditures (invoices, receipts, etc.). Upon completion of the project, the project coordinators will be required to submit an expenditure report along with a narrative report. Any unused funds will have to be transferred back to the funding unit at KU/UNIVIE.

Contact

For support and advice, please contact

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