

Guidelines for FCPPL application

The call for application for FCPPL 2012 funding is open until **January 15th, 2012**. The application must be prepared in collaboration by the Chinese and French teams involved in the proposal. Budget request and proposed research plans have to be agreed upon by the 2 sides, and detailed in the application form ***Field-ChineseInst-FrenchInst_2012_proposal.doc***. Below are some guidelines for this application.

- Projects which obtained support from FCPPL in 2011 have to rename and fill in the file ***Field-ChineseInst-FrenchInst_2011_report.doc***. In this file will be reported the way the 2011 FCPPL support was used, as well as the scientific results achieved thanks to this support.

- FCPPL funding can be requested only for staff (researcher, engineer, and student) exchange. **By no means can FCPPL funding be used to buy material or equipment.**

- **The requested contributions from France and China must be equivalent.** This is an important criterion that will be taken into account to approve or not the renewal each year. Note that at present there is no FCPPL specific budget on the Chinese side and that the **Chinese teams must contribute from their own project money.**

- Given the present financial context in IN2P3, **it is highly unlikely that the IN2P3 support to a given project exceeds 8000€.** Projects are therefore strongly encouraged to **seek financial support to the (numerous) alternative funding sources for Sino-French scientific collaboration** (e.g. Cai Yuan Pei, PICS, CAS-CNRS or NSFC-CNRS programs, CSC or Eiffel PhD grants). FCPPL will provide you with all technical support available to help you set up your application and optimize your chances of success to any of these program calls.

- As a **general practice in FCPPL**, for a staff exchange, the country of origin pays for the trip cost while the host country takes the stay costs in charge. Travel to China +visa typically cost 1000€ (9000 yuans to France). Daily expenses in China (France) roughly amount to 500 yuans (90€). The advised allowance is 2000€/month for a staff's stay in France, 1400€/month for a student (all included). In the latter case, requests should not exceed 6 months, as it is then possible to get funding from other sources (CSC in particular).

- Both in the proposal and report forms, **sources of funding other than FCPPL should be quoted if they directly benefit to this specific collaboration project.** PhD grants (in the case of a student in co-tutorship working on this research project), or equipment (again if directly linked to this specific research project) for example fall into this category. The funding source (China Scholarship Council, PICS, laboratory,...) as well as its status (submitted/ approved) and amount should be quoted. See examples in ***PART-IHEP-CPPM-CMS_proposal_example.pdf***.

- Applications will be evaluated by French and Chinese reviewers and discussed at the steering committee to be held right after the FCPPL workshop. **The scientific conclusions as well as the final funding decisions will be communicated to the applicants in the weeks following this steering committee.**

- These guidelines are illustrated in *PART-IHEP-CPPM-CMS_proposal_example.pdf* through the (fake) example of a project composed of 3 French participants (2 researchers+1 engineer) from CPPM + 3 Chinese participants (2 researchers + 1 PhD student) from IHEP, working on a project related to the CMS Silicon tracker. In this example the request includes support for a 3-days workshop to be organized in France. Besides, the PhD student is applying for a CSC 6-months grant (to be complemented through a lab-supported 400€/month allocation), and the French group is using 4000€ from its laboratory funding to buy equipment to be used by the PhD student during his stay in France.

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