

# Belmont Forum and Future Earth co-branded Collaborative Research Action on Transdisciplinary Research for Ocean Sustainability (CRA Ocean sustainability)

## **COUNTRY: JAPAN**

### **JST – Japan Science and Technology Agency**

JST participates in the topic area “Transdisciplinary Research for Ocean Sustainability”

JST’s standard eligibility criteria for research projects apply, please see JST’s website for this call, which will be linked from: <https://www.jst.go.jp/inter/english/index.html>

Applicants from the same grant administrating organisation shall belong to one partner in the consortia.

If Japanese applicants have any questions about their eligibility, they are advised to contact JST to confirm their eligibility for the call before developing the proposal.

#### **Eligibility**

Any independent researcher personally affiliated with (and actively conducting research at) a domestic Japanese research institution, regardless of nationality, is eligible to apply.

'Domestic Japanese research institution' refers to universities, independent administrative institutions, national/public testing and research institutions, specially authorized corporations, public-service corporations and enterprises, etc. that satisfy requirements predetermined by the Japanese Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT). Please refer to the MEXT homepage below for more information.

[http://www.mext.go.jp/a\\_menu/kansa/houkoku/1301688.htm](http://www.mext.go.jp/a_menu/kansa/houkoku/1301688.htm)

#### **Funding modalities**

Funding will be provided in support of research, travel and personnel expenses, as well as indirect costs (up to a maximum of 10% of direct costs). The scale of funding provided to successful proposals will depend on the budget of each fiscal year.

Japanese applicants may apply for a maximum of 10 million Japanese yen (approx. 77.3 k€) per year for participation in a project.

It is expected that applications to this call will be Collaborative Research Grants with the consortium composition as defined in the call document, and JST will fund the Japanese partner of any successful trans-national collaboration.

#### **Submission**

In addition to the joint application process to BFGO, Japanese applicants will have to register their applications on the Cross-Ministerial R&D Management System (e-Rad: <https://www.e-rad.go.jp/index.html>).

The Japanese PI must also complete a research ethics training program conducted by the research institute with which they are affiliated prior to the deadline of the call for proposals. In the case of

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difficulties to undertake a program provided by his or her own affiliated institute they are requested to contact JST. Please note that unless applicants complete a research ethics program, his / her application will be deemed ineligible. Also, during submission to the e-Rad system, in addition to the Japanese proposal form, a “check list” of regulatory compliance and “confirmation letter” approved by the president of their organisation must also be prepared.

For more details, please refer to call announcement page linked from the JST homepage.

A consortium agreement will need to be developed between the participating partners should their application be successful and shared with the relevant Partner Organisations.

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