

Belmont Forum OCEAN 2

Annex for Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST)

**NOTE: Awaiting budget confirmation for 2026 fiscal year –
applicants may prepare at own discretion**

Duration of time:	3 years
Country/(ies) supported	Japan
Description/qualifications of eligible participants	<p>Any independent researcher personally affiliated with (and actively conducting research at) a domestic Japanese research institution, regardless of nationality, is eligible to apply.</p> <p>'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).</p> <p>The Japanese applicants must also complete a research ethics training program conducted by the research institute with which the PI is affiliated, and then declare the completion of the program to JST. If it would be very difficult for the Japanese PI to undertake a program provided by his or her own affiliated institute, they should please contact JST. Please note that unless applicants complete a research ethics program, his / her application will be deemed ineligible. For more details, please refer to call announcement page linked from the JST homepage.</p>
Stipulations for the maximum number of	N/A

researchers in the consortium	
Type of contribution + amount of contribution (K€)	Monetary
Maximum amount that can be requested per project or by researcher (K€)	Up to a maximum of 36 million Japanese yen per project for the entire research period including indirect costs (awards may be less than the maximum). The scale of funding provided to successful proposals will depend on the budget of each fiscal year.
Restrictions for use of funds	Funding will be provided in support of research, travel and personnel expenses, as well as indirect costs (up to a maximum of 30% of direct costs).
Specific themes within the call	N/A
Where to submit proposal	<p>www.bfgo.org (for Consortium Lead)</p> <p>www.e-rad.go.jp (for all Japan-based applicants seeking support from JST)</p> <p><u>Deadline for e-Rad registrations: See JST website for up-to-date deadline information</u></p> <p>* An e-Rad registration is necessary only at the pre-proposal stage.</p> <p>Information about the JST e-Rad registration on the JST website:</p> <p>https://www.jst.go.jp/inter/program/announce/announce_belmont_ocean2025.html (in Japanese)</p> <p>https://www.jst.go.jp/inter/english/program_e/announce_e/announce_belmont_ocean2025.html (in English)</p> <p>Japanese applicants seeking funding from JST must register their application, including uploading a Japanese application form in a format provided by JST, on the Cross-Ministerial R&D Management System (e-Rad). <u>Successful Japanese applicants can only be funded by JST if an application to e-Rad has also been submitted by the JST deadline.</u></p>
[Additional information]	If funded, a consortium agreement must be concluded between the participating partner research institutions.
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