

**FUNDING GUIDE FOR DANISH RESEARCHERS  
COLLABORATING WITH CHINA**



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## INTRODUCTION

This is the sixth edition of Innovation Centre Denmark, Shanghai's funding guide. It aspires to give an overview of the publically financed funding opportunities for researchers based at Danish institutions, working or wanting to work with Chinese partners.

Each funding mentioned in the guide is represented by a short introduction, the deadline(s) and an URL to the official call texts (when available) where you can find more information about eligibility, criteria etc.

Some Danish and European funding programmes explicitly targets and/or encourages collaboration with China. When this is the case, it is highlighted.

The Chinese funding sources included in the guide explicitly promotes international research collaboration where the Danish partner can be the driving force in establishing new partnerships. Many other Chinese research funding programmes also promotes internationalisation, but the lead applicant always needs to be a Chinese national.

The guide is not an exhaustive overview of all current funding openings for re-

search collaboration, though many of these also allow for, if not encourage international collaboration.

Furthermore, the guide does not cover programmes designed for collaboration at the institutional level and does not cover opportunities for collaboration at the master and doctoral level. Neither does it include opportunities for Danish companies.

The guide will be continuously updated throughout the year, and a new version published early 2018.

Enjoy your reading  
and good luck applying!

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## **FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES – DENMARK**

### **DANISH COUNCIL FOR INDEPENDENT RESEARCH**

Funding for research stays at foreign institutions for continuous periods of min. 3 months. The stay should be based on specific research activities and contribute to strengthened international collaboration.

<b>Call</b>	<b>Deadline</b>	<b>More info</b>
<b>FSE – International Research Stays</b>	30 March 2017, 4 pm	<a href="#">Click here!</a>

### **INNOVATION FUND DENMARK**

Innovation Fund Denmark invests in new knowledge and technology creating growth and employment in Denmark. They offer bilateral funding and support for Sino-Danish collaboration within the development of solutions in the area of sustainable and renewable energy. Innovation Fund Denmark is cooperating with the Chinese Ministry of Science and Technology to on research and innovation activities in sustainable and renewable energy.

<b>Call</b>	<b>Deadline</b>	<b>More info</b>
<b>Bilateral cooperation</b>	TBD	<a href="#">Click here!</a>

### **INTERNATIONAL NETWORK PROGRAMME**

The programme is part of the effort by the Ministry of Higher Education and Science to strengthen the internationalisation of Danish research, including follow-up on the Ministry's bilateral agreements on research-, technology-, and education-cooperation with so-called third countries. Funding is provided to recognised scientists employed at Danish universities and research institutions and recognised scientists and research experts employed in R&D intensive companies and GTS Institutes in Denmark, who wish to conduct network activities with researchers from China (incl. Hong Kong).

<b>Call</b>	<b>Deadline</b>	<b>More info</b>
<b>International Network Programme</b>	17 May 2017	<a href="#">Click here!</a>

## **FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES – EUROPE**

### **HORIZON2020 – GENERAL INFORMATION**

Horizon 2020 is the biggest EU Research and Innovation programme with nearly €80 billion of funding available over 7 years (2014 to 2020). Read more [here](#).

The Horizon 2020 calls mentioned below are those that specifically targets collaboration with China as an eligibility criteria or possibility. Many other Horizon 2020 calls target collaboration with third countries including China but these are not included in the guide.

Chinese researchers, enterprises, research institutions and universities will be able to team up with their European partners to participate in projects under Horizon 2020 and make best use of Europe's excellent opportunities in research and innovation. Through participation in Horizon 2020 beneficiaries can gain great benefits from access to excellent knowledge, access to re-

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search data and access and connection to world-leading scientific networks and research teams. In addition to these specific topics, the following broad areas have been identified as priorities for EU-China research and innovation cooperation: Food, Agriculture and Biotechnology, Sustainable Urbanisation, ICT, Space, Aviation, Energy, Health, Transport, Water, and Advanced Manufacturing. Read more [here](#).

## H2020 – SOCIETAL CHALLENGES

<b>General overview:</b>	<b>More info</b>
<b>H2020-SC1-2016-2017</b>	<a href="#">Click here</a>

### Societal Challenges: Research and Innovation Action (RIA)

Call	Deadlines	More info
<b>SC1-HCO-07-2017:</b> Global alliance for Chronic Diseases (GACD) prevention and management of mental disorders	DL: 11 April 2017	<a href="#">Read more</a>

## H2020 – EXCELLENT SCIENCE

Call	Deadlines	More info
<b>INFRAIA-02-2017:</b> Integrating Activities for Starting Communities	DL: 29 March 2017	<a href="#">Read more</a>

## FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES – CHINA

### CHINESE ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

**CAS President's International Fellowship Initiative (PIFI)** The Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS) offers a package of international fellowships, collectively called the "CAS President's International Fellowship Initiative (PIFI)", to support highly-qualified international scientists and postgraduate students to work and study at CAS institutions and strengthen their scientific collaboration with CAS researchers.

Call	Deadlines	More info
Category A: PIFI for Distinguished Scientists Category B: PIFI for Visiting Scientists Category C: PIFI for Postdoctoral Researchers	Expected publ: July 2017 DL: 1 September 2017	<a href="#">Click here!</a>

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## STATE ADMINISTRATION OF FOREIGN EXPERT AFFAIRS

**Recruitment Program of Global Experts” (1000 Talents Plan)** the Recruitment Program of Foreign Experts (RPFE) is to recruit non-ethnic Chinese experts, who work in areas of strategic importance to China and who are internationally leading experts, or internationally leading research groups working towards achieving critical technological breakthroughs, advancing the high-tech industries and promoting new disciplines.

Call	Deadlines	More info
Recruitment Program of Global Experts	Expected publ: June 2017	<a href="#">Click here!</a>

## NATIONAL NATURAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION OF CHINA

The aim of the Fund is to encourage excellent young foreign scientists to conduct basic research in mainland China, so as to promote the research collaboration and academic exchanges among Chinese and foreign scientists.

Call	Deadlines	More info
Research Fund for International Young Scientists	DL: 20 March 2017, 4pm	<a href="#">Click here!</a>

## CHINA SCHOLARSHIP COUNCIL

### Chinese Government Scholarships:

In order to promote the mutual understanding, cooperation and exchanges in various fields between China and other countries, the Chinese government has set up a series of scholarship programmes to sponsor international students, teachers and scholars to study and conduct research in Chinese universities.

Call	Deadlines	More info
Bilateral Program – Doctoral Students	DL: Apr 2017	<a href="#">Click here!</a>
EU Program – Doctoral Students	DL (expected): Apr 2017	<a href="#">Click Here!</a>

### Chinese University Scholarships:

This is a full scholarship for designated Chinese universities and certain provincial education offices in specific provinces or autonomous regions to recruit outstanding international students for studies in China. The link below includes some scholarships from designated Chinese universities in previous years for reference. Applicants shall apply to the designated Chinese universities undertaking this program for doctoral studies.

Call	Deadlines	More info
University Scholarships	DL (expected): Apr 2017	<a href="#">Click Here</a>