



UNIGE-Renmin Seed Funding

Call for Proposals

Application deadline: 15 December 2016 for funding in 2017

Purpose

In the framework of the strategic partnership concluded between both institutions, the UNIGE-Renmin seed funding program is designed to support the launch of interactions between instructors and researchers at both institutions. It aims at building the basis for new research and teaching initiatives and proposals for external funding.

Application

UNIGE and Renmin faculty are invited to submit new proposals for collaborative projects using a common application form. Proposals may come from individual faculty members or a group of faculty but should have UNIGE and Renmin faculty members as main applicants in all cases. Main applicants may be of any faculty rank.

The same proposal should be submitted by the main applicants at each institution.

A UNIGE-Renmin bilateral committee will jointly determine which projects will be funded.

Selection Process

The universities are especially interested to fund projects that

1. Support the strategic importance or added academic value of the collaboration;
2. Enhance the international programming of departments or academic units;
3. Emphasize new connections and collaborations;
4. Show how the collaboration will be sustained beyond the term of the seed-funding, including through faculty and department commitment and/or external support;
5. Provide a budget that is reasonable and appropriate to the scope and duration of the project.

Funding

Each university will provide its main applicant with an equivalent amount of funds that can be spent over the course of the grant period on travel, accommodations, workshops, facilities use and other expenses related to meetings or the preparation of external funding proposals, as specified at the time of the proposal.

Grants will be awarded according to a two-tier structure. Tier 1 seed grants will be awarded in the amount of US \$10,000 in total. Tier 2 grants can be awarded for exceptional projects in amounts up to US \$60,000 in total over a three-year period.

Deadline

The call for proposals closes 15 December, 2016.

Contact persons

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