



RESEARCH IN JAPAN

JSPS FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
FOR FOREIGN RESEARCHERS

2023-2024

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1. About JSPS (Japan Society for the Promotion of Science)

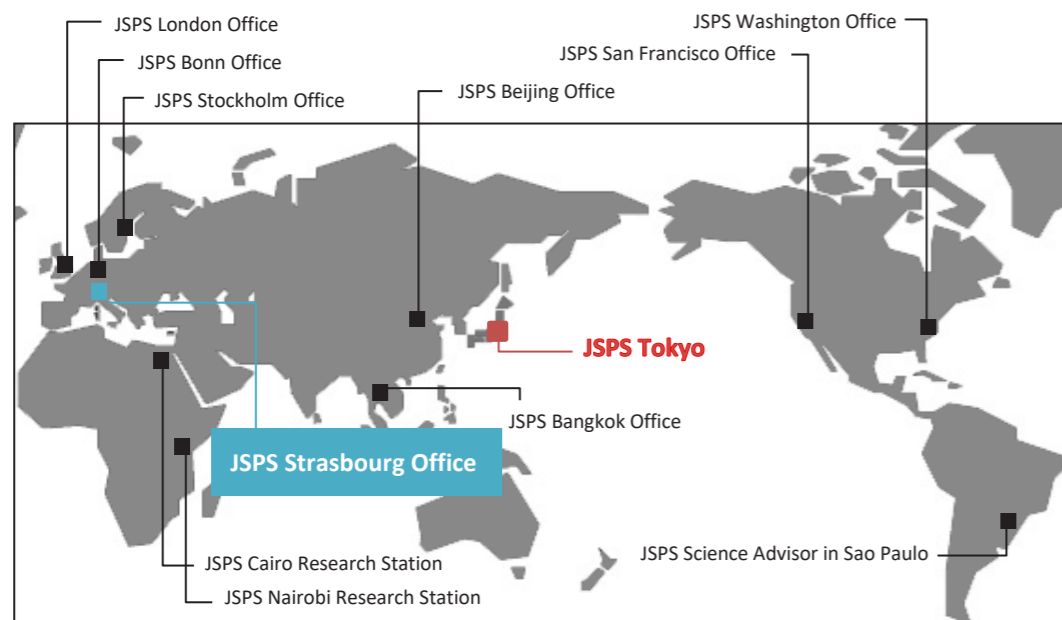
What is JSPS?

- Research funding agency, covering all academic fields (Humanities, Social Sciences, Natural and Applied Sciences)
- Founded in 1932 through an endowment of the Emperor Showa
- Independent administrative institution since October 2003
- Under the umbrella of the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT)
- Supported by Japanese government
- Budget for the FY2022: 2 billion €

Major Functions of JSPS

- To foster young researchers
- To promote international scientific cooperation
- To award Grands-in-Aid for Scientific Research
- To support scientific cooperation between the academic community and industry
- To collect and distribute information on scientific research activities

JSPS Overseas Offices



Mission of JSPS Strasbourg Office

- To promote research exchanges between South European* and Japanese researchers
- To provide information and assistance for academic exchanges between South European* and Japan
- To be a reliable partner of CNRS, Inserm, IHÉS, MEAE, MESR, Inria, ANR, other research institutions, South European universities, « Grandes Ecoles », as well as « Maison Universitaire France - Japon »
- To organize scientific symposia such as JSPS Forums, workshops and academic seminars in South European countries*

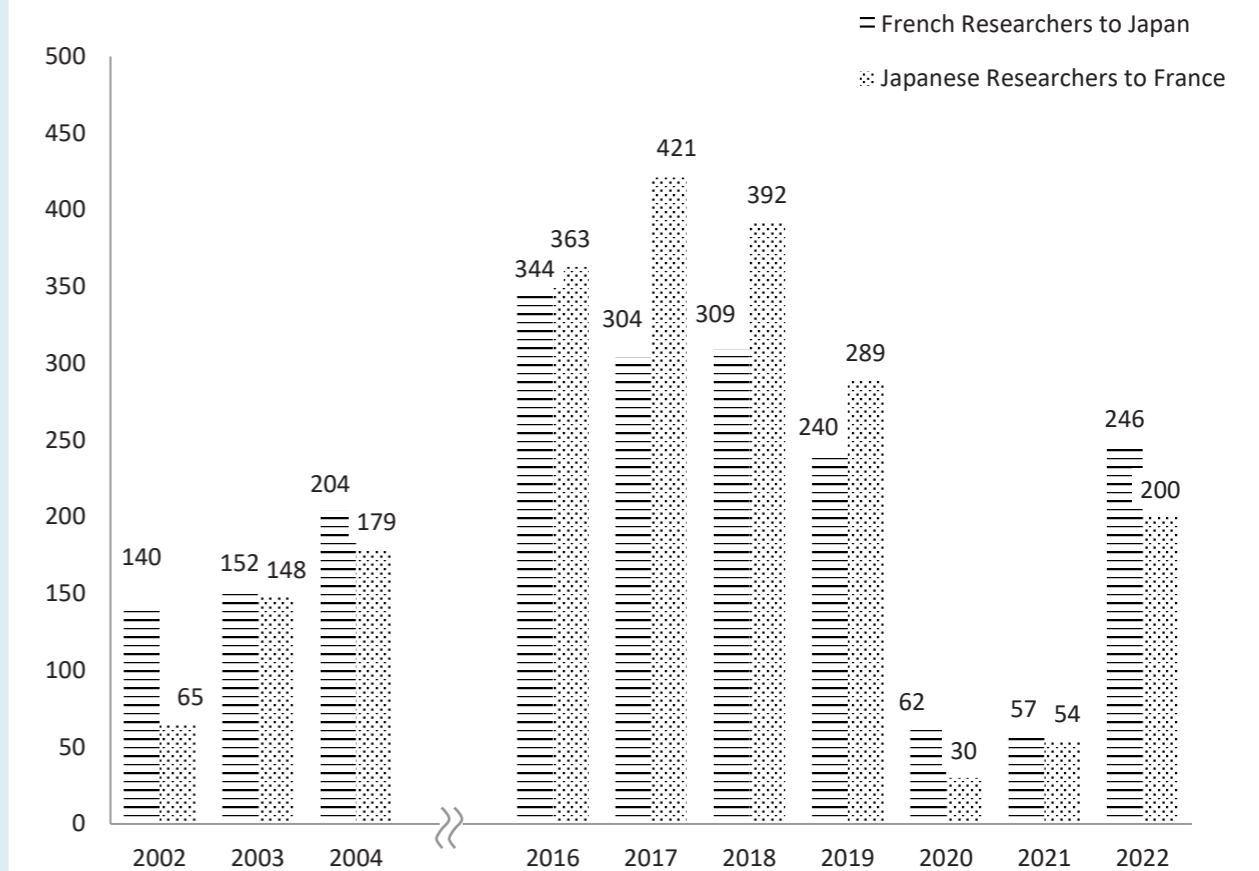


JSPS Strasbourg Office in the Maison Universitaire France - Japon since 2001

* South European countries: France including French speaking regions in Europe and Greece, Italy, Portugal and Spain

Number of Researchers Exchanged through JSPS Programs in the case...

of France



2. Funding Opportunities

JSPS carries out programs that provide excellent researchers from other countries an opportunity to conduct collaborative research, discussions, and opinion exchanges with researchers in Japan. Various programs are tailored to the visitors' career stage and the purpose of their visit, and multiple application opportunities are provided during the year.

Deadlines and Numbers of awardees

International Fellowships for Individual Researchers

Program	Apply to	Recruitment		Deadline	Periods for arrival in Japan	Awardees
		2024				
Summer Program <p.7>	CNRS	2024	-	12-Dec-23	17 Jun. 2024	16
Postdoctoral Fellowship (Short-term) <p.11>	CNRS	2024	1st	8-Nov-23	Apr. 2024 - Mar. 2025	13
		2023*	2nd	12-Apr-23	Oct. 2023 - Mar. 2024	
	JSPS HQ	2024	1st	29-Sep-23	Apr. 2024 - Mar. 2025	20
		2024	2nd	12-Jan-24	Aug. 2024 - Mar. 2025	20
		2024	3rd	7-Jun-24	Jan. 2025 - Mar. 2025	20
Postdoctoral Fellowship (Standard) <p.13>	CNRS	2024	1st	6-Nov-23	Apr. 2024 - Mar. 2025	15
		2023*	2nd	20-Apr-23	Oct. 2023 - Nov. 2023	
	MUR	2024	-	28-Feb-24	Oct 2024 - Nov 2024	6
	JSPS HQ	2024	1st	1-Sep-23	Apr. 2024 - Sep. 2024	115
		2024	2nd	26-Apr-24	Sep. 2024 - Nov. 2024	115
Invitational Fellowship (Long-term) <p.15>	JSPS HQ	2024	-	1-Sep-23	Apr. 2024 - Mar. 2025	60
Invitational Fellowship (Short-term) <p.17>	JSPS HQ	2024	1st	1-Sep-23	Apr. 2024 - Mar. 2025	85
		2024	2nd	26-Apr-24	Oct. 2024 - Mar. 2025	75

*The schedule for FY2024 is to be announced.

Notes:

- The information above is current as of December 2023 and is subject to change without notice.
- The application deadlines will be announced on the JSPS HQ or CNRS/MUR website. Please check these websites constantly. The deadlines are set on almost the same date every year.
- The number of awardees of « Application to JSPS HQ » includes applications from France/Italy as well as from other countries while « Application to CNRS/Italy » is for researchers in France/Italy only.

Bilateral Joint Research Projects /Seminars p.22

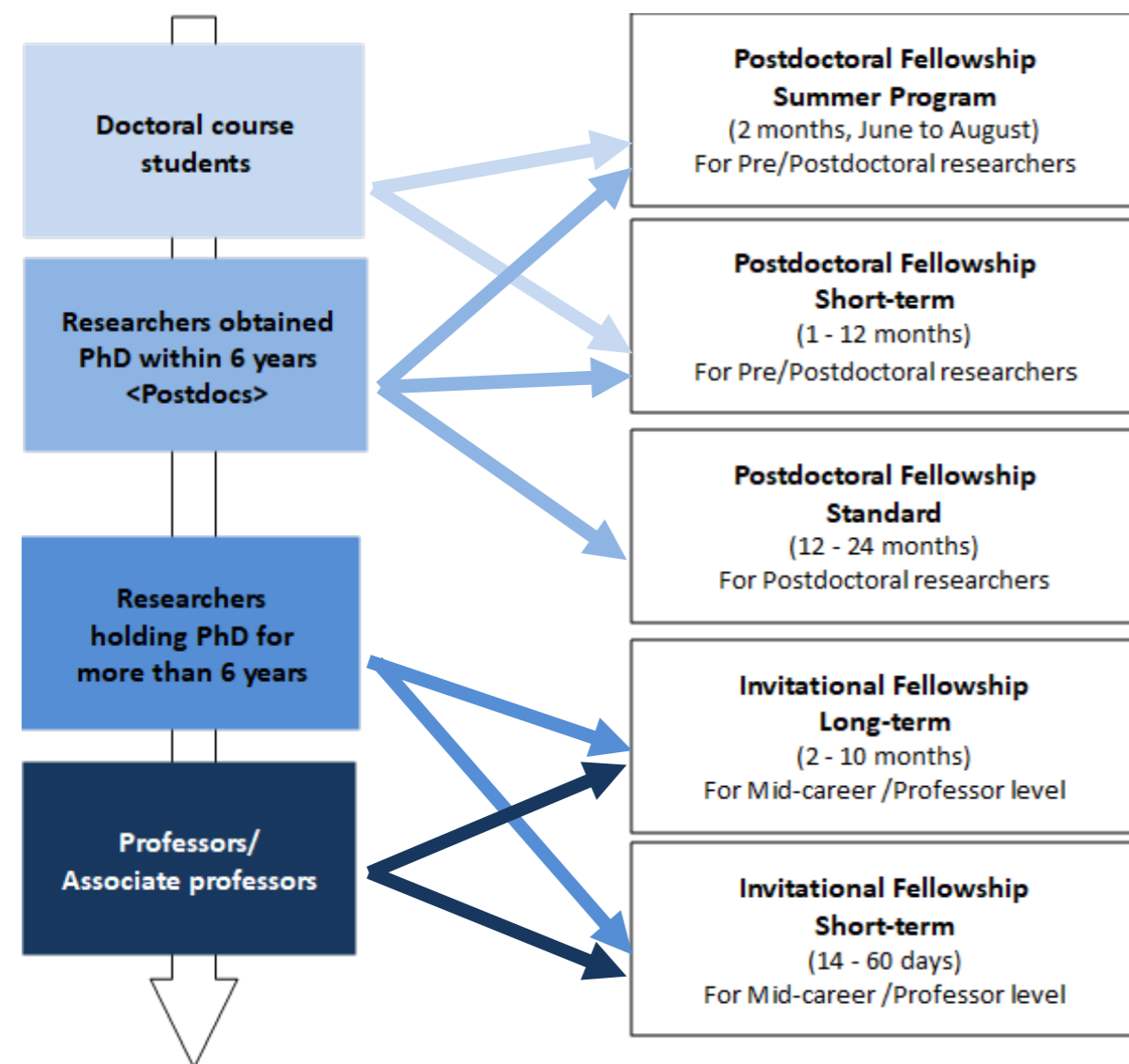
Organization *	Activity type	Apply to	Recruitment	Deadline	Project period	Max # to be selected
Inserm	Joint seminars	Inserm	FY2024	5-Sep-23	From Apr. to Dec. 2024	1
MEAE-MESR	Joint research projects	French Embassy in Japan	FY2024	5-Sep-23	From Feb. 2024 at the earliest	12

*The call for proposals of joint research projects with CNR (Italy) will be announced every two years.

3. International Fellowships for Individual Researchers

JSPS provides fellowship programs for overseas researchers who have an excellent record of research achievements to conduct collaborative research, discussions, and opinion exchanges with researchers in Japan.

The “JSPS International Fellowships for Research in Japan” consists of two programs: “Postdoctoral Fellowships for Research in Japan” for young researchers and “Invitational Fellowships for Research in Japan” for mid-career and senior researchers.



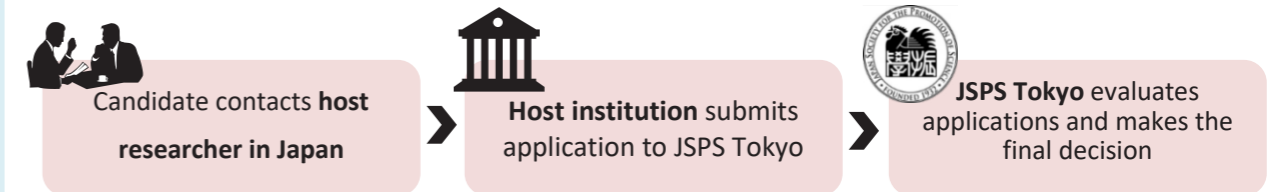
Tips for Application

Here are the useful websites when you look for your host institution in Japan

- List of eligible host institutes:
https://www.jsps.go.jp/file/storage/general/j-summer/data/2023_List_of_Eligible_Host.pdf
- Database which provides scientific information on researchers in Japan:
<https://researchmap.jp/auth/login?lang=en>

Application Procedures

Application in Japan (through host researchers in Japan)



Note: Each Japanese institution has a different deadline (usually about one month prior to the one set by JSPS). Please make sure to confirm the schedule carefully with your host researcher.

Application in France/Italy (through CNRS/MUR)



Note: Researchers who belong to any research institution/university etc. are able to apply through CNRS/MUR. All the candidates are evaluated under the same criteria.

Summer Program



<https://www.jps.go.jp/english/e-summer/index.html>

- Please refer to the latest CNRS application guidelines for more details.
- Please note that the information below is based on the 2023 program and is subject to change without notice.

■ Purpose

The JSPS Summer Program is implemented as a component of the JSPS Postdoctoral Fellowships for Research in Japan. Carried out in partnership with The Graduate University for Advanced Studies (SOKENDAI), the program provides opportunities for young pre- and post-doctoral researchers from North America and Europe to receive an orientation on Japanese culture and research systems and to pursue research under the guidance of host researchers at a Japanese university or research institute over a period of two months during the summer.

JSPS seeks cooperation from its overseas partners in recruiting candidates for the program, including from Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS, France).

■ Fields of Research

All fields of the humanities, social sciences and natural sciences

■ Duration of Program

Two months starting June through August

■ Candidate Eligibility

- (1) Nationality
Be a citizen of the UK, France, Germany, Canada, Sweden, and the US (Others with equivalent status may apply if approved by the nominating authority in one of the above countries).
- (2) Academic Status
Be enrolled in a university graduate program or hold a doctorate degree when the program goes into effect, which must have been received within six years prior to April 1 of the said year (not required to hold full-time position).
- (3) Candidates must receive in advance acceptance from their host researcher.
- (4) Candidates must aspire to become a researcher in future.

Note:

Those who have previously been awarded a fellowship under the JSPS Postdoctoral Fellowships for Research in Japan are not eligible.

■ Host Researcher Eligibility

The host researcher must, in principle, be a researcher who is employed full-time or classified as being employed full-time at a university or research institution that is eligible to apply to MEXT for funding under the Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research (*KAKENHI*).

Note:

Full-time employment classification is determined by the regulations of the host institution.

■ Terms of Award (as of 2023)

- (1) International travel: Round-trip airfare
- (2) Maintenance allowance (¥534,000)
JSPS will also cover the following expenses separately from the maintenance allowance: accommodation charges at Narita or Haneda (June 12th) and Tokyo (August 18th), and meals and accommodation charges during the orientation session (June 13th-15th).
- (3) Overseas travel insurance
- (4) Research support allowance (Optional, ¥158,500)

■ Application Procedures

JSPS receives applications to this program only through CNRS for French candidates. If you are interested in this program, please contact CNRS about the detailed application procedures.

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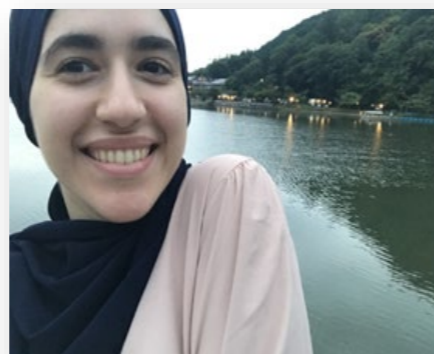
- CNRS accepts applications also from researchers who do not belong to CNRS or CNRS research units.
- Contact information on CNRS is indicated on the last page of this brochure.

■ Schedule for the Program (as of 2023)

Dates	Location	Activities
26 April	Online	Online Kick-off Meeting
12 June	Narita or Haneda	Arrival in Japan
13 June – 15 June	SOKENDAI in Hayama	Orientation Program • Japanese language lessons • Kamakura Sightseeing • Poster presentation
16 June – 17 August	Host institutions	Research experience at host institutions Homestay experience (2 nights)
18 August	Tokyo	Research report presentation in Tokyo

Message from JSPS Fellow -Summer Program

Name: **Ms. Kenza RAHLI**
 Affiliation: MSc Graduate in Natural Hazards, Paris Cité University, Institute of Geophysics of Paris (IPGP)
 Duration in Japan: June – August 2022
 Host institution in Japan: Disaster Prevention Research Institute (DPRI), Kyoto University
 Research subject: Disaster Risk Reduction



Taking part in the 2022 JSPS Summer Program was for me the most beautiful and enriching experience I've ever had, be it humanly, personally, and professionally.

My stay in Japan was marked by the people I met, the landscapes I saw, the research I conducted, and the workshops I attended as part of my research. In fact, my research was focused on assessing the impact of the language barrier for international people living in Japan, both when searching for information on hazards and risks in Japan and during an earthquake alert, all this being included in the work being done to prepare for a future earthquake in the Nankai region (Nankai Trough Earthquake). The internship gave me the opportunity to self-navigate my research in terms of: choosing the subject, the target audience, and setting up the questionnaire to be sent out to obtain the data needed for my research project. This internship was also the opportunity for me to meet and talk with professors whose research focuses on social sciences related to natural disasters and the means to reduce risks through disaster prevention and education. I kept in touch with some of these professors to develop future research project should the opportunity arise to return to Japan. I also had the opportunity to travel to two prefectures (Kochi and Ehime) as part of my research to attend two workshops where I was able to share my knowledge on how to improve crisis and shelter management for international people in Japan during natural disasters.

On a personal level, this stay in Japan allowed me to travel to several prefectures (Kyoto, Tokyo, Nara, Hyogo, and Aichi), to see beautiful rural and urban landscapes, and to have memorable discussions with the people I met. I highly advise people who are interested in Japan and/or in an international internship experience to apply! Thank you JSPS for allowing me to conduct my research and live in Japan that summer of 2022.

Message from JSPS Fellow -Summer Program

Name: **Mr. Cuong Pham**
 Affiliation: Ph.D Student; Sorbonne University
 Duration in Japan: June – August 2022
 Host institution in Japan: National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology
 Research subject: Water diffusion in the brain



In the summer of 2022, I embarked on a journey to Japan as a participant in the JSPS summer program. Designed as an open gateway to the world of international research, the Summer Program provided me with an immersive experience that allowed me to dive into Japan's rich academic landscape.

During my stay, I had the privilege of working at Dr. Tomokazu Tsurugizawa's lab, situated within the National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST) in Tsukuba, in the Ibaraki prefecture. My focus was on investigating water diffusion in the brain by using magnetic resonance imaging, where I was able not only to expand my technical expertise but also bring fresh perspectives to my ongoing projects. The warm welcome I received from the lab's team fostered a collaborative environment where ideas flowed freely, contributing to a truly enriching experience. Moreover, the program provided me with a research budget that opened doors to explore beyond the confines of my host lab. This allocation allowed me to visit other research facilities and attend conferences, with a notable highlight being my participation in the Neuro Japan congress held in Okinawa. The opportunity to engage with professionals and researchers from diverse backgrounds broadened my horizons and provided me with a global perspective on my field of study. Beyond the academic realm, the JSPS summer program seamlessly intertwined cultural immersion with research collaboration. One of the program's most rewarding aspects was the connections I forged with fellow JSPS participants. During our free time, we embraced Japanese culture, immersing ourselves in its vibrant traditions (with many festivals held in summer in Japan: the matsuris) and, of course, indulging in its delectable cuisine (especially ramens). One particular advice that I can give to the new fellows is to travel! This summer Program give you the opportunity to do so. With the JSPS fellow we were able to travel from the lively streets of Tokyo to the tranquil gardens of Kyoto's temples, which was fantastic.

My stay in Japan may have been brief, but its impact on both my personal and professional growth was profound. I arrived with a thirst for knowledge and left with a wealth of insights, not only into the academic landscape of Japan but also into its dynamic culture. As I reflect on this remarkable journey, I extend my heartfelt gratitude to JSPS and CNRS for affording me this opportunity. To all young researchers seeking an enriching experience in a foreign research environment, I wholeheartedly recommend the JSPS summer program—a gateway to academic and cultural exploration that will undoubtedly shape your future endeavors.

Postdoctoral Fellowship (Short-term)



<https://www.jsps.go.jp/english/e-oubei-s/index.html>

➤ Please refer to the latest JSPS/CNRS application guidelines for more details

■ Purpose

To provide opportunities for **pre-/post-**doctoral researchers from Europe, the US and Canada* to conduct under the guidance of their hosts cooperative research with leading research groups in universities and other Japanese institutions.

*Eligible countries are European Union Countries (as of 1 April 2023), the UK, the US, Canada, Switzerland, Norway and Russia.

■ Fields of Research

All fields of the humanities, social sciences and natural sciences

■ Duration of Program

1 to 12 months

■ Candidate Eligibility

Persons are eligible to apply who satisfy the following two conditions at the time of application, selection and during the fellowship period.

(1) Nationality

Be a citizen or permanent resident of an eligible country. Also eligible are persons who have been engaged in research continuously over a period of at least three years at a university or research institution in one of the eligible countries. They must be from a country that has diplomatic relations with Japan or be from Taiwan or Palestine and have conducted research continuously for three or more years before JSPS's application submission deadline and must possess an excellent research record.

Note:

In France, both permanent residents and foreign researchers who have/will acquire a doctoral degree in France are eligible to apply for this program through CNRS on the condition that they satisfy CNRS's requirements.

(2) Academic Status

Have obtained their doctoral degree at a university outside Japan within six years of the date the fellowship goes into effect, or currently be enrolled in a doctoral course at a university outside Japan, and scheduled to receive Ph.D. within two years from the time that their

research starts in Japan.

Notes:

- Those who have previously been awarded a fellowship under the JSPS Postdoctoral Fellowship for Research in Japan ([P], [PE] or [Pathway to University positions in Japan]) are not eligible. This Short-term Fellowship is only awarded once per researcher.
- Researchers who do not belong to CNRS can also apply. All the candidates from universities, grandes ecoles, CNRS, Inserm, INRA, Inria, CEA, etc. are evaluated under the same criteria.
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■ Host Researcher Eligibility

Persons are eligible to apply who satisfy the following two conditions at the time of application, selection, and during the fellowship period.

- (1) Be affiliated with a research institution specified in the application guidelines, be eligible to apply for a KAKENHI grant, and wish to host an overseas researcher.
- (2) Be a full-time researcher. However, researchers who are not employed full time may be eligible if the host institution judges them able to execute their responsibility to carrying out the program uninterruptedly throughout the fellow's tenure including providing him/her a suitable research environment (e.g., laboratory, space, facilities and personnel) in the same way that a full-time researcher would be able to do.

Note:

When host researchers in Japan apply for this program, they may submit up to three applications, which they are to assign a priority order.

■ Terms of Award

- (1) Airfare: A round-trip air ticket (based on JSPS's regulations)
- (2) Maintenance Allowance:
 - a) For PhD holders: ¥362,000 per month
 - b) For non-PhD holders: ¥200,000 per month
- (3) Miscellaneous: A settling-in allowance of ¥200,000 (only applicable for Fellows with 3 or more months of tenure), overseas travel insurance, etc.

Notes:

- A "research support allowance" is available to cover cooperative research-related expenses. Application is made by the host researcher through his/her institution.
- The amounts of the Award indicated above are subject to change for budgetary reasons.
- If the candidate resides in Japan before the fellowship starting date, the "airfare" for the flight to Japan and "the settling-in allowance" will not be provided

■ Application Procedures

(1) Open recruitment

The application for the program should be submitted through the host institution in Japan (Individual applications are not accepted). The host institution must submit the complete documents to JSPS by the end of the application period.

Note:

Please note that your host institution in Japan may give you an early deadline to compile all application forms that will be submitted to JSPS (it could be more than a month before the deadline set by JSPS, depending on the procedure each host institution takes).

(2) Application through an Overseas Nominating Authority

JSPS also accepts applications through its foreign nominating agency, the JSPS Strasbourg Office, which works with CNRS in France. For information on how to apply, please visit the CNRS website.

Postdoctoral Fellowship (Standard)



<https://www.jspso.go.jp/english/e-fellow/application.html>

➤ Please refer to the latest JSPS/CNRS/MUR application guidelines for more details

■ Purpose

To provide opportunities for excellent postdoctoral researchers from other countries to conduct cooperative research under the guidance of their hosts with leading research groups in universities and other Japanese institutions.

■ Fields of Research

All fields of the humanities, social sciences and natural sciences

■ Duration of Program

12 to 24 months

■ Candidate Eligibility

Persons are eligible to apply who satisfy the following two conditions at the time of application, selection, and during the fellowship period.

(1) Nationality

Be a citizen of a country that has diplomatic relations with Japan (JSPS treats Taiwanese and Palestinian researchers in this manner).

Notes:

- In France, both permanent residents and foreign researchers who have/will acquire a doctoral degree in France are eligible to apply for this program through CNRS on the condition that they satisfy CNRS's requirements.
- Researchers who do not belong to CNRS can also apply. All the candidates from universities, grandes ecoles, CNRS, Inserm, INRA, Inria, CEA, etc. are evaluated under the same criteria.
- In Italy, no precautions then those established in the applicant's guideline.

(2) Academic Status

Have obtained a doctorate degree within six years of the date the fellowship goes into effect.

Note:

- Those who have previously been awarded a fellowship under the JSPS Postdoctoral Fellowship for Research in Japan ([P] and [Pathway to University positions in Japan]) are not

eligible.

■ Host Researcher Eligibility

Persons are eligible to apply who satisfy the following two conditions at the time of application, selection, and during the fellowship period.

- (1) Be affiliated with a research institution specified in the application guidelines, be eligible to apply for a KAKENHI grant, and wish to host an overseas researcher.
- (2) Be a full-time researcher. However, researchers who are not employed full time may be eligible if the host institution judges them able to execute their responsibility to carrying out the program uninterrupted throughout the fellow's tenure including providing him/her a suitable research environment (e.g., laboratory, space, facilities and personnel) in the same way that a full-time researcher would be able to do.

Note:

When host researchers in Japan apply for this program, they may submit up to three applications, which they are to assign a priority order.

■ Terms of Award

- (1) Airfare: A round-trip air ticket (based on JSPS's regulations)
- (2) Maintenance Allowance: ¥362,000 per month
- (3) Miscellaneous: A settling-in allowance of ¥200,000, overseas travel insurance, etc.

Notes:

- A Grant-In-Aid for Scientific Research is available to cover cooperative research-related expenses. Application for this grant is made by the host researcher through his/her institution.
- The amounts of the Award indicated above are subject to change for budgetary reasons.
- If the candidate resides in Japan before the fellowship starting date, the "airfare" for the flight to Japan and the "settling-in allowance" will not be paid.

■ Application Procedures

- (1) Open recruitment

The application for the program should be submitted through the host institution in Japan (Individual applications are not accepted). The host institution must submit the complete documents to JSPS by the end of the application period.

Note:

Please note that your host institution in Japan may give you an early deadline to compile all application forms that will be submitted to JSPS (it could be more than a month before the deadline set by JSPS, depending on the procedure each host institution takes).

- (2) Application through an Overseas Nominating Authority
JSPS also receives applications for the program through foreign nominating authorities such as CNRS in France and MUR in Italy. For information on application procedures, please contact directly the nominating authority in your country.

Invitational Fellowship (Long-term)



<https://www.jsps.go.jp/english/e-inv/index.html>

➤ Please refer to the latest JSPS application guidelines for more details

■ Purpose

To invite overseas researchers with excellent records of research achievements to collaborate with Japanese colleagues in carrying out research through long-term visits.

■ Fields of Research

All fields of the humanities, social sciences and natural science

■ Duration of Program

2 to 10 months

■ Candidate Eligibility

Persons are eligible to apply who satisfy the following two conditions at the time of application, selection, and during the fellowship period.

(1) Nationality

Be a citizen or permanent resident of a country that has diplomatic relations with Japan. (Taiwan and Palestine are treated in this manner.) Persons of Japanese nationality are eligible to apply if they have resided at the time of application in a foreign country for 10 years or longer and are judged to have played an active role at a host research institution in that country's scientific community.

(2) Employment Status

Be a full-time researchers or person with full-time researcher status at a university or research institution in a foreign country and have a position equivalent to a professor, associate professor or assistant professor in Japan (including positions such as professor emeritus). Researchers of other status may apply if it has been six years or longer since they obtained their doctoral degree and the host research institution judges them to have continuously conducted research at a university or research institution.

■ Host Researcher Eligibility

Persons are eligible to apply who satisfy the following two conditions at the time of application, selection, and during the fellowship period.

- (1) Be affiliated with a research institution as specified in the application guidelines, be eligible to apply for a KAKENHI grant, and wish to host an overseas researcher.
- (2) Be a full-time researcher. However, researchers who are not employed full time may be eligible if the host institution judges them able to execute their responsibility to carrying out the program uninterrupted throughout the Fellow's tenure including providing him/her a suitable research environment (e.g., laboratory, space, facilities and personnel) in the same way that a full-time researcher would be able to do.

■ Terms of Award

- (1) Airfare: A round-trip air ticket (economy- class) (based on JSPS's regulations)
- (2) Maintenance Allowance: ¥387,600 per month
- (3) Overseas travel insurance
- (4) Research support allowance: Up to ¥150,000 (Application is made by the host researcher through his/her institution.)

Notes:

- The amounts of the Award indicated above are subject to change for budgetary reasons. If the candidate resides in Japan before the fellowship starting date, the "airfare" for the flight to Japan will not be paid.

■ Application Procedures

The application for the program should be submitted through the host institution in Japan (Individual applications are not accepted). The host institution must submit the complete documents to JSPS by the end of the application period.

Note:

Please note that your host institution in Japan may give you an early deadline to compile all application forms that will be submitted to JSPS (it could be more than a month before the deadline set by JSPS, depending on the procedure each host institution takes).

Invitational Fellowship (Short-term)



<https://www.jsps.go.jp/english/e-inv/index.html>

➤ Please refer to the latest JSPS application guidelines for more details

■ Purpose

To invite overseas researchers with excellent records of research achievements for short-term visits to Japan and provide them opportunities for discussions, opinion exchanges, lectures and other activities.

■ Fields of Research

All fields of the humanities, social sciences and natural sciences

■ Duration of Program

14 to 60 days

■ Candidate Eligibility

Persons are eligible to apply who satisfy the following two conditions from 1 April 2024 and during the fellowship period.

(1) Nationality

Be a citizen or permanent resident of a country that has diplomatic relations with Japan. (Taiwan and Palestine are treated in this manner.) Persons of Japanese nationality are eligible to apply if they have resided at the time of application in a foreign country for 10 years or longer and are judged to have played an active role at a host research institution in that country's scientific community.

(2) Employment Status

Be a full-time researchers or person with full-time researcher status at a university or research institution in a foreign country and have a position equivalent to a professor, associate professor or assistant professor in Japan (including positions such as professor emeritus). Researchers of other status may apply if it has been six years or longer since they obtained their doctoral degree and the host research institution judges them to have continuously conduct research at a university or research institution.

■ Host Researchers and Institutes

Persons are eligible to apply who satisfy the following two conditions at the time of application, selection, and during the fellowship period.

- (1) Be affiliated with a research institution as specified in the application guidelines and be eligible to apply for a KAKENHI grant.

- (2) Be a full-time researcher. However, researchers who are not employed full time may be eligible if the host institution judges them able to execute their responsibility to carrying out the program uninterruptedly throughout the fellow's tenure including providing him/her a suitable research environment (e.g., laboratory, space, facilities and personnel) in the same way that a full-time researcher would be able to do.

■ Terms of Award

- (1) Airfare: A round-trip air ticket (economy- class) (based on JSPS's regulations)
- (2) Maintenance Allowance: ¥18,000 per day
- (3) Overseas travel insurance
- (4) Research support allowance: Up to ¥150,000(Application is made by the host researcher through his/her institution.)

Notes:

- The amounts of the Award indicated above are subject to change for budgetary reasons.
- If the candidate resides in Japan before the fellowship starting date, "airfare" for the flight to Japan will not be paid.

■ Application Procedures

The application for the program should be submitted through the host institution in Japan (Individual applications are not accepted). The host institution must submit the complete documents to JSPS by the end of the application period.

Note:

Please note that your host institution in Japan may give you an early deadline to compile all application forms that will be submitted to JSPS (it could be more than a month before the deadline set by JSPS, depending on the procedure each host institution takes).

4. Bilateral Programs

<https://www.jps.go.jp/english/e-bilat/index.html>



Purpose

The aim of these programs is to form sustained networks evolved from individual scientist exchanges including young scientists. JSPS provides financial support to the scientists implementing such bilateral joint research projects and seminars between research teams from Japan and counterpart countries.

Bilateral Joint Research Projects/Seminars comprise of two components: (A) Bilateral Joint Research Projects/Seminars with JSPS's Counterpart Agencies and (B) Open Partnership Joint Research Projects/Seminars. The latter provides Japanese researchers an opportunity to conduct research or hold a seminar with researchers around the world who reside in a country that has diplomatic relations with Japan. (JSPS also treats researchers who reside in Taiwan and Palestine in this manner.)

Eligibility

Applicants must hold a full-time or equivalent position as a researcher at a university or research institution. Please confirm the details to the corresponding organizations.

Targeted Research Field

All fields of the humanities, social sciences and natural sciences.

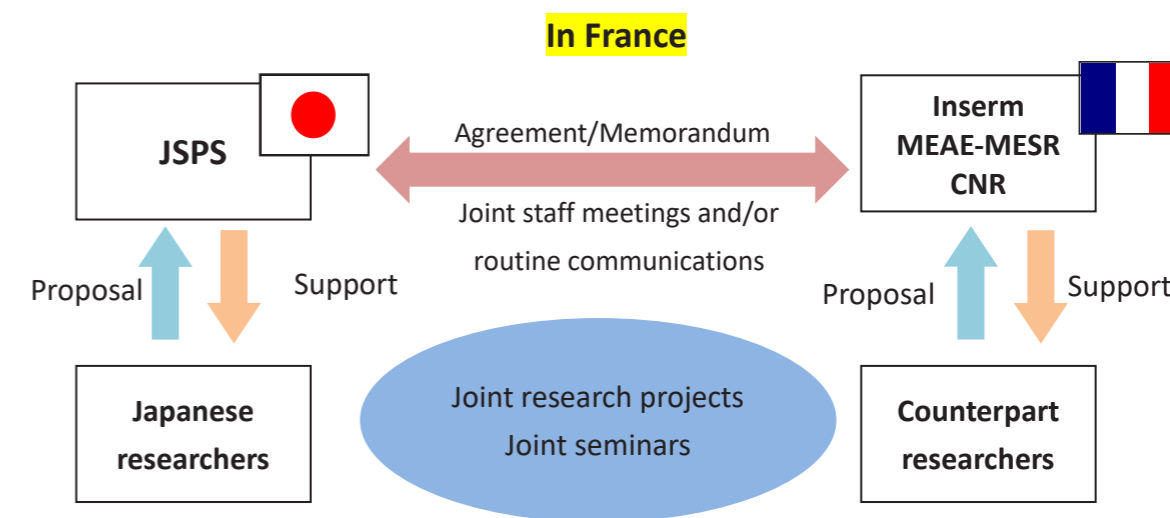
Expenses supported by JSPS

JSPS consigns the administration of projects to the Japanese team leader's affiliated institution. When using funds, please follow JSPS's rules. JSPS does not pay the institution a consignment fee.

JSPS covers the following expenses of researchers on the Japanese team:

International travel, Domestic travel, other expenses (Consumables, honoraria, printing, communication) and <for Seminar scheme> Meeting expenses (in Japan).

Bilateral Joint Research Projects/Seminars with JSPS's Counterpart Agencies



<Inserm (France)>

Type	Duration	Funding	Subject Areas
Joint Seminar	2 to 3 days Seminars must be held during the period between April and December.	JSPS: Up to ¥2,500,000 Inserm: Up to €12,000	Life Science and Health

Notes:

- French PIs and other members must be employed at Inserm.
- French PIs are to submit their applications to Inserm, and Japanese PIs are to JSPS HQ. Applications submitted by only either side will not be accepted.

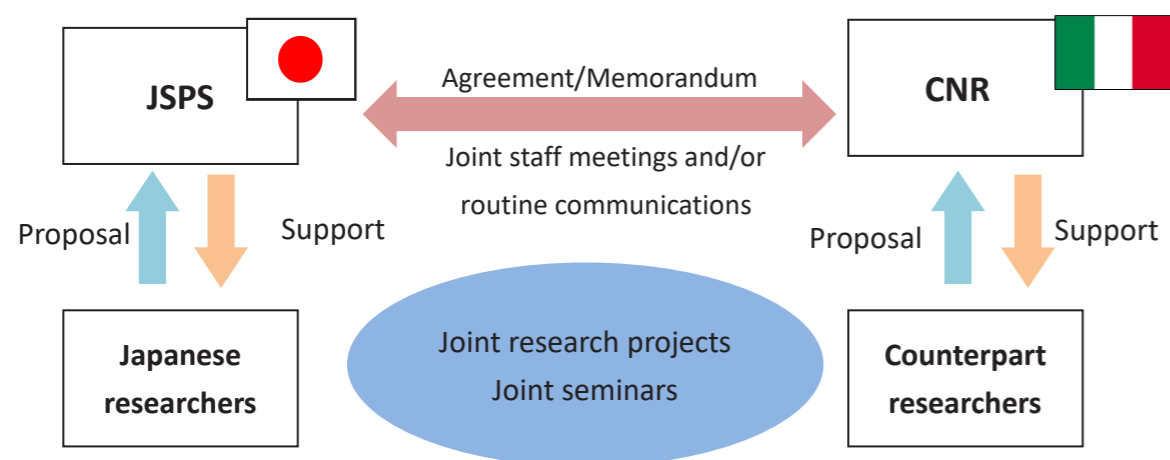
<MEAE-MESR (France)> « SAKURA Program »

Type	Duration	Funding	Subject Areas
Joint Research Projects	From more than 1 year to 2 years Starting date must be set during the period between April and next March in Japan.	JSPS: Up to ¥1,000,000 per fiscal year MEAE-MESR: Up to €6,000 per fiscal year	All fields of the Humanities, Social Sciences and Natural Sciences

Notes:

- The program aims at supporting the establishment of innovative scientific collaborations led by young talented researchers in both countries.
- French PIs are to submit their applications to MEAE-MESR, and Japanese PIs are to JSPS HQ. Applications submitted by only either side will not be accepted.

In Italy



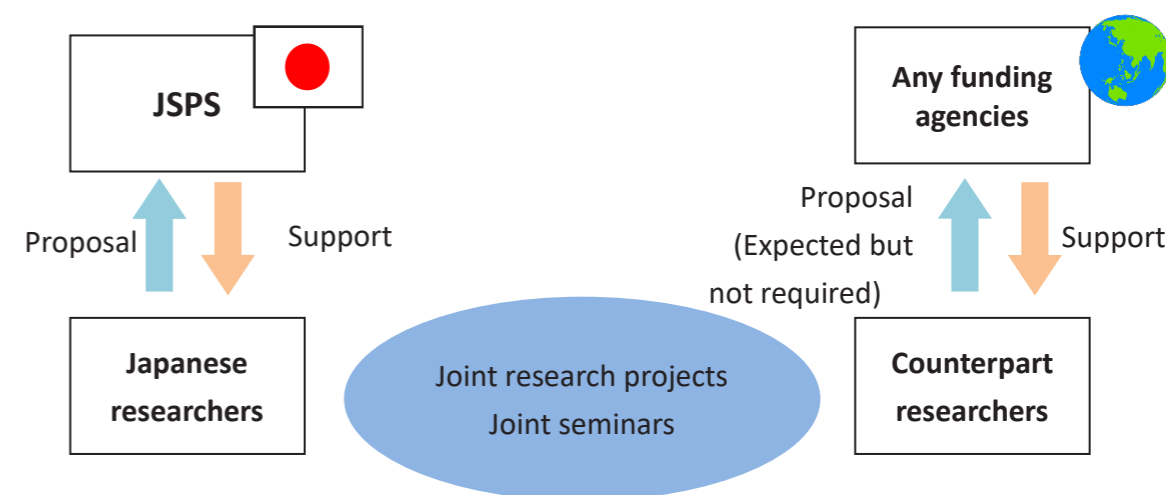
<CNR (Italy)>

Type	Duration	Funding	Subject Areas
Joint Research Projects	2 years Starting date must be set during the period between April and December in Japan.	JSPS: Up to ¥1,200,000 per fiscal year CNR: Up to €8,000 per fiscal year	All fields of the Humanities, Social Sciences and Natural Sciences

Notes:

- Italian Principal Investigators must be CNR personnel or affiliated with research institutes under CNR.
- Italian Principal Investigators are to submit their applications to CNR, and Japanese Principal Investigators are to JSPS HQ. Applications submitted by only either side will not be accepted.
- The call for proposals with CNR will be announced every two years and there is no call for FY2024.

Open Partnership Joint Research Projects/Seminars



JSPS only supports the expenses of Japanese teams. To conduct research exchanges, counterpart Principal Investigators are encouraged to secure funding from the sources in their countries to cover the expenses. The acquisition of such funding may be taken into account in JSPS's selection process.

■ **Duration and Funding (by JSPS)**

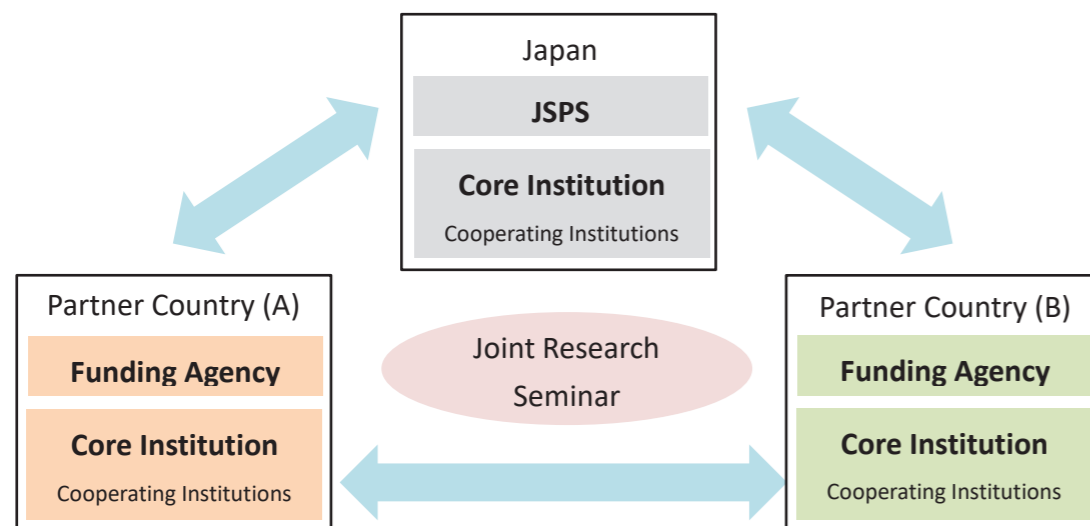
Type	Duration	Funding	Subject Areas
Joint Research Projects	1-2 years	Up to ¥2 million per fiscal year	All fields of the Humanities, Social Sciences and Natural Sciences
Joint Seminars	within 1 week	Up to ¥2 million in total	All fields of the Humanities, Social Sciences and Natural Sciences

5. Other Programs

JSPS Core-to-Core Program: Advanced Research Networks (Japanese researchers' initiatives)



<https://www.jps.go.jp/english/e-c2c/index.html>



■ Purpose

This program is designed to create world-class research hubs in research fields considered to be cutting-edge and internationally important in Japan. These multilateral hubs are built and operated through sustainable collaborative relations established among research/education institutions in Japan and countries around the world.

■ Targeted Research Fields

Research topics considered to be cutting-edge and internationally important in Japan. (All fields of the humanities, social sciences and natural sciences.)

■ Eligibility of Japanese Applicants

- (1) Japanese universities and research institutions are eligible as a core institution.
- (2) Each core institution must have one project coordinator. S/he must be a full-time researcher or a researcher positioned as full time at the core institution.

■ Project Period

From April 2024 through March 2029 (under the FY2024 call)

■ Project Funding

Up to ¥18 million per fiscal year

■ Number of Projects

About 9 projects

ORA (Open Research Area for the Social Sciences) Program



https://www.jps.go.jp/english/e-bottom/01_d_outline.html

■ Purpose

In cooperation with ANR, DFG, ESRC and SSHRC, this program provides funding for international joint research carried out between excellent researchers in Japan and cooperation partners in 4 European countries. The purpose of this program is to strengthen collaboration while achieving a high level of synergy in research conducted in the fields of social sciences.

■ Targeted Research Fields

Social sciences

■ Eligibility

• French Applicants

For eligibility requirements of French PIs and project participants, please refer to the ORA's application guidelines.

<ORA 8th call website>

<https://anr.fr/fr/detail/call/8eme-edition-de-lappel-open-research-area-ora-pour-les-sciences-sociales/>

• Japanese Applicants

Applicants (Principle investigators) must be researchers affiliated with a university or research institute in Japan and they must be eligible to apply for a Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research (KAKENHI).

■ Project Period

2-3 years

■ Funding

• From ANR on French Side

Please refer to the ORA's application guidelines.

• From JSPS on Japanese Side

Up to ¥ 10 million per fiscal year / Up to ¥ 30 million for whole project period

Frontiers of Science (FoS) Symposium



<https://www.jsps.go.jp/english/e-jffos/index.html>

Frontiers of Science (FoS) symposiums are one of the programs that the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science carries out jointly with partner institutions in other countries for the



10th JFFoS (24-27 June 2022)

purpose of fostering young researchers. These symposiums bring together excellent young researchers from Japan and counterpart countries in a highly diverse cross-disciplinary environment, in which they brainstorm topics on the cutting edge of science in ways that crisscross and transcend the borders of academic domains. While cultivating

leaders with wide interdisciplinary perspectives, these symposiums also contribute to scientific advancement by honing researchers who can use their own creativity and free ideas in ways that are powerfully innovative, not anchored to existing disciplines.

JSPS holds Japanese-French Frontiers of Science (JFFoS) symposiums in partnership with the French National Centre for Scientific Research (CNRS).

■ Participants' Eligibility

To qualify for participation in the FoS symposiums, researchers must have received their doctorate and be age 45 or younger as of 1 April of the year the symposium is held or have received their doctorate within the past 15 years.

■ 11th JFFoS

- Date: May 24 - May 27, 2024
- Venue: Strasbourg, France
- The number of participants: 60 (30 French and 30 Japanese)
- Session Topics:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Unlocking the Secrets: Exploring Neurotechnology – Nature's Chemistry: Exploring Synthetic Biology and Biogenic Materials – Time Domain Astronomy -from long time to short time- 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Reliability of Modern Technologies in Society – Uncovering Paleo Disasters and Human Impacts on Modern Earth Science – New Standards of Visualizations in Social Sciences
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6. Receiving Japanese Researchers in France/Italy/Spain

JSPS provides fellowships and grants to Japanese researchers who wish to conduct research at overseas universities and research institutions. Researchers in France and other countries can host these researchers as visiting researchers.

Overseas Research Fellowships



<https://www.jsps.go.jp/english/e-ab/>

■ Purpose

To foster highly capable researchers with wide international perspectives, this fellowship gives excellent young Japanese researchers an opportunity to carry out long-term research at an overseas university or research institution.

■ Targeted Research Fields

All fields of the humanities, social sciences and natural sciences

■ Eligibility for Japanese researchers

- (1) To be eligible, a candidate must satisfy one of the following two requirements:
 - 1.1 Postdoctoral researcher employed as researcher in a Japanese university, research institution, or national laboratory.
 - 1.2 Postdoctoral researcher who aspires to an above-listed research position.
- (2) The candidate must have received a doctoral degree within 5 year of the date 1 April at the time of starting fellowship tenure.
- (3) The candidate must not have more than a cumulative total of 5 years in a permanent full-time research position at a university or other research institution.
- (4) The candidate must be a citizen of Japan; or if a foreign national, must have permanent resident status in Japan.

■ Terms of Award

- Tenure: 2 years
- Financial support:
 - Airfare: Round-trip international airfare
 - Maintenance allowance (yearly): ¥6,278,000

Others

Researchers in Japanese institutions can apply to Grants-in-aid (*KAKENHI*) which includes the budget to visit overseas research institutions.

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