

National Annex

**National Council for Scientific and Technological Development
(CNPq)- BRAZIL**

BRICS STI Framework Program

Coordinated call for BRICS multilateral projects – Pilot call 2016

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The National Council for Scientific and Technological Development (CNPq) provides funding from the Ministry of Science, Technology, Innovations and Communications/MCTIC for applied research projects under seven thematic areas:

- Prevention and monitoring of natural disasters;
- Water resources and pollution treatment;
- Geospatial technology and its applications;
- New and renewable energy, and energy efficiency;
- Biotechnology and biomedicine including human health and neuroscience;
- Information technologies and high performance computing;
- Ocean and polar science and technology.

CNPq plans to support ideally one project per thematic area.

This Pilot Call will close on August 26th, 2016 and applications sent after this date will not be considered valid.

WHO CAN APPLY?

Only Brazilian researchers or foreign researches with permanent Visa in the country can apply for BRICS Program. Each applicant can submit only one proposal considering the following:

- The project leader must have a PhD degree.
- The project leader must have an updated CV available in the Lattes Platform at CNPq website (www.cnpq.br).

FUNDING PRINCIPLES

Within each selected international consortium, funding of the participant researchers is provided by their respective national funding organization in accordance with their standard award terms and conditions. The total Brazilian national budget for this call is R\$ 1,400,000.00 (distributed equally among the seven thematic areas), up to R\$ 200.000,00 per approved project.

ELIGIBILITY

Proposals must be submitted as follows:

- Joint Application Form to the Call Secretariat by the leading PI/General Coordinator (for central registration, coordination and statistics).
- The country specific component of the multilateral project needs to be submitted to the national Participating Organization/PO.

Each international consortium must include partners from at least three participating countries (including Brazil). Researchers outside BRICS countries can participate in the research project at their own expense and are not considered as a partner from participating country.

Applicants that would like to request financing lines for research (APQ-modality) from CNPq have to submit a national proposal via Carlos Chagas Platform (<http://www.cnpq.br>). Proposals should be submitted only electronically by completing online forms. Rules and requirements for submitting National proposals will be available at CNPq website. Funding decision is also taken based upon the applicant's compliance with national rules and requirements. There will be organized a National Evaluation procedure for the selected proposals.

REPORTING

The report submission period is the same as the calendar year. By the end of each calendar year, Brazilian participants have to submit a scientific report as well as the financial statement according to the standard rules and requirements of CNPq. The report has to include a short overview of the work performed by the foreign partners and the amount of funding allocated by the foreign participants to the joint project.

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