

(translated into English)

2.1 Joint Laboratory Cooperation Program between China and European Countries (April 2025 / Deadline for submissions: 23rd June 2025, 4pm)

Cooperation Agreements: "Sino-British Strategy for Cooperation in Science and Technology Innovation. Joint Declaration of the Ministry of Science and Technology of the People's Republic of China and the Ministry of Universities and Scientific Research of the Republic of Italy. Joint Declaration of the Ministry of Science and Technology of the People's Republic of China and the Ministry of Universities and Scientific Research of the Republic of Italy". Joint Declaration of the Ministry of Science and Technology of the People's Republic of China and the Ministry of Universities and Scientific Research of the Republic of Italy

Memorandum of Understanding between the Ministry of Science and Technology of the People's Republic of China and the Ministry of Science and Innovation of the Kingdom of Spain

Memorandum of Understanding between the Ministry of Science and Technology of the People's Republic of China and the Ministry of Science, Technology and Higher Education of the Portuguese Republic on the Promotion of 2030 Sino-Portuguese Science and Technology Partnership Cooperation. Memorandum of Understanding between the Ministry of Science and Technology of the People's Republic of China and the Ministry of Science, Technology and Higher Education of the Portuguese Republic on Cooperation in Promoting 2030 Sino-Portuguese Science and Technology Partnership. Memorandum of Understanding between the Ministry of Science and Technology of the People's Republic of China and the Ministry of Development and Investment/General Secretariat for Research and Innovation of the Hellenic Republic on Cooperation in Science, Technology and Innovation. Memorandum of Understanding between the Ministry of Science and Technology of the People's Republic of China and the Ministry of Development and Investment/General Secretariat of Research and Innovation of the Hellenic Republic on Cooperation in Science and Technology. Proceedings of the Fifth Meeting of the Conference Action Plan on Cooperation in Science, Technology and Innovation between the Ministry of Science and Technology of the People's Republic of China and the Ministry of Education, Culture and Science and Economic Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands. Memorandum of Understanding on Science, Technology and Innovation between the Ministry of Science and Technology of the People's Republic of China and the Ministry of

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Directions: Environment (including climate change and carbon neutrality); health; agriculture, food and biotechnology; basic science and technology Health; Agriculture, Food and Biotechnology; Basic Sciences; Cultural Heritage; Aerospace; Artificial Intelligence; Advanced Materials; Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs), AIIntelligence; Advanced Materials; ICTs; Ocean and Maritime Technologies; Smart Cities; production technologies (including smart manufacturing); clean technologies (including new and renewable energy, energy efficiency and emission reduction).

Number of projects to be supported: 15.

Total proposed funding: RMB 30 million

Other requirements:

(1) The project implementation period is **3 years.**

(2) The project cooperation countries are limited to the United Kingdom, France, Italy, **Spain**, Portugal, Greece, Belgium (Wallonia and Brussels regions only), Norway, the Netherlands, the United States of America and the United States of America. Portugal, Greece, Belgium (Wallonia and Brussels Region only), Norway, the Netherlands, Ireland and Cyprus, Ireland and Cyprus,

The name of the project should be "China (Europe) + Collaborating Country + Abbreviation + Research Field + Joint Laboratory".

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The project applicant shall be the signatory of the cooperation agreement for the joint laboratory.

(e.g. government department in charge of science and technology innovation of the relevant country, national research center or research and innovation agency, embassy in China, etc.). Embassy, etc.) signed by the foreign government departments (such as the relevant national government departments responsible for science and technology innovation, national research centers or research and innovation agencies, embassies in China, etc.) issued by the Joint Laboratory cooperation has been given to the funds, projects,

Official documents (including the name of the cooperation organization, the joint laboratory, the name of the foreign government department, the name of the joint laboratory, the name of the joint laboratory and the name of the foreign government department)

The official document (including the name of the cooperation organization, joint laboratory, support measures provided by the foreign government department for the cooperation of the joint laboratory and the contact person information) shall be issued according to the template.

Contact person information, must be issued in accordance with the template with valid signature, template download link:

(https://service.most.gov.cn/kjjh_tztg_all/zn/20250423.html), the foreign party

The document issued by the foreign partner with its own signature does not meet the above requirements. This document is only for project

This document is only a declaration of the project, and whether the project can be finalized is to be determined after the evaluation.

(5) The main purpose of this type of project is to **support the substantive research cooperation between the partner institutions of both sides and to increase the number of young people from both sides.**

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(5) The main purpose of this type of project is to promote the **construction of joint laboratories and deepen inter-institutional cooperation by supporting substantive scientific cooperation between the two institutions and increasing the exchange of young researchers between the two sides. The declaration of each project should specify two tasks and corresponding assessment indicators.**

The tasks and corresponding assessment indicators should be clearly defined in the application form of each project.

The first is substantive research cooperation and exchange of young researchers; the second is the construction of joint laboratories. Each project shall fulfill the following

Basic assessment indexes: applying for at least 3 patents (except for basic research projects), organizing high-level international conferences with more than 50 participants.

Organize no less than two high-level international academic exchange activities for more than 50 people, and train no less than two young scholars (under 40 years old).

Each project must meet the following basic assessment indexes: apply for at least 3 patents (except for basic research projects), organize at least 2 high-level international academic exchanges with more than 50 participants, train at least 5 young scholars (under 40 years old), invite at least 5 young researchers (under 45 years old) to China.

At least 5 European young researchers (under 45 years old) will be invited to China for exchanges. At the same time, the declaration should be filled out and submitted to the China-EU

Collaboration program of the Joint Laboratory for the next 3 years (template download link: https://service.most.gov.cn/kjjh_tztg_all/zn/20250423.html). The declaring organization shall provide in the cooperation

program to provide the results of cooperation in various aspects that have been achieved by both sides in the previous period, including but not limited to

platform construction, academic research, patents, papers, international conferences, talent training and exchanges, technology transfer and application of results, and exchange of talents, technology transfer and application of achievements, and financial support obtained.

(6) When the project is declared, the cooperation agreement signed by the Chinese and foreign partners on the declared project shall be provided.

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The cooperation agreement should specify the division of tasks and responsibilities of each partner directly related to the research content of the project, the source of funds, the mode of cooperation, and the terms and conditions of intellectual property rights,

The validity period of the agreement and the way to settle disputes are recommended to be clearly defined in the cooperation agreement.

(7) The foreign partner should be a research institute or university registered in the relevant European country for more than 3 years.

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It has **strong R&D capability and conditions in science and technology, and has long-term and stable cooperation with the Chinese project reporting unit.**

(8) The “Belt and Road” joint laboratories approved by the Ministry of Science and Technology, the Chinese-European joint laboratories supported by the Ministry of Science and Technology and not yet completed.

(8) The “Belt and Road” Joint Laboratory that has been approved by MOST and the China-EU Joint Laboratory that has already been supported and has not yet been finalized will not be supported repeatedly in the direction of this guide. The declaration should be filled out and submitted to the China-EU