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JAMAICA / SOUTH AFRICA JOINT SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

FOR 2018-2020 JOINT RESEARCH PROJECTS

Pursuant to the Bilateral Agreement between Jamaica and South Africa (2013) aimed at promoting and supporting cooperation in the fields of science and technology, we are pleased to announce the very first joint call for 2017. As the implementing agency in Jamaica the National Commission on Science and Technology (NCST) invites all interested parties in Jamaica to submit their applications, no later than Tuesday June 20, 2017.

THEMATIC AREAS

Joint research proposals may be submitted in the areas of **Indigenous Knowledge Systems or Water Research**; the designated themes prioritised by the South Africa / Jamaica collaboration.

ELIGIBILITY AND MODE OF COOPERATION

Jamaican and South African Principal Investigators (PIs) shall write a joint application, to be submitted to both NCST in Jamaica and the National Research Foundation (NRF) in South Africa. This call is open to employed researchers residing in Jamaica and affiliated with a recognised higher education, public or private non-profit research organization or unit. Commercial and private education institutions are not eligible to apply under this programme. The PI in Jamaica must be in possession of a PhD.

HOW TO APPLY

PIs in Jamaica must electronically complete the application form entitled **South Africa / Jamaica Joint Science and Technology Research Collaboration Call for Project Proposals 2018**, which can be found on the NCST website; www.ncst.gov.jm. The form and supporting documents must be emailed in portable document format (.pdf) to ncst@mset.gov.jm and copied to ajones_ncst@mset.gov.jm under the subject **SA-JA JOINT CALL 2018**.

FUNDING

The total amount of funding requested by the Jamaican partner should not exceed **JMD \$7.5 million**. Funding will be made available for a maximum of three years (2018 – 2020), to be paid in annual instalments (**JMD \$2.5 million per year**), to be used exclusively for research activities commencing in 2018. An additional \$2 million will be allocated to cover the PI's participation in the opening and closing workshop organized by the funders.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Grant application guidelines for both Jamaican and South African applicants can be found at www.ncst.gov.jm. If you require additional information on this call kindly contact Aisha Jones, PhD at 906-8433 or 920-4478 or ajones_ncst@mset.gov.jm.