



IGSTC 2+2 CALL 2017

Indo-German Science & Technology Centre (IGSTC), a joint initiative of Government of India (DST) and Government of Germany (BMBF) to promote research partnership of industrial relevance invites:

First Stage Proposals for joint R&D+I projects of industrial relevance in 2+2 Mode of Partnership in the overall thematic area - Advanced Manufacturing and New Materials, with subtopics:

Industry 4.0 (new human-machine interaction processes/digital and cloud manufacturing)

Machine building (low cost sub-systems/components for improved precision, reliability, productivity)

Process technologies for new materials including nanomaterials

Light weight design and processes

Deadline for submitting proposals: 10th January 2018

2+2 Mode of Partnership

IGSTC intends to catalyse innovation centric R&D+I projects by synergising the strength of academic/research institution and public/private industry from India and Germany. This Call for proposals is aimed at supporting joint R&D+I projects of industrial relevance by means of “2+2 Mode of Partnership” i.e. involvement of at least one academic/research institute and one public/private industry from both the countries. Project proposals are expected to provide insights and exploitable research results leading to new technologies, products, processes, patents and/or services.

Evaluation

IGSTC will execute a two step evaluation process by a bilateral Scientific Committee. Applicants have to submit a First Stage Proposal first and will be asked to submit the Second Stage Proposal if they are shortlisted. Each evaluation step might take up to two to three months time.

Funding Support

Funding will be provided in the form of grants amounting up to ₹ 230 lakhs per project for Indian applicants and up to € 450000 per project for German applicants, for a period of up to three years, to cover project related costs including manpower. An additional funding period of up to two years may be granted in exceptional cases.

Who can Apply

Applicants from public and private non-profit research organisations, public and private institutions of higher education, universities, and public or private companies having R&D bases (i.e. DSIR recognition for in-house R&D in case of Indian industry partner) are eligible to submit applications. The applicants should be holding a regular/permanent position. An Indian / German company is defined as one which is registered in the respective country with 51% or more ownership held by the citizens of the country. Applicants already having an ongoing 2+2 project with IGSTC (on the Call deadline) are not eligible to apply.

How to Apply

The Basic Guidelines and the First Stage Proposal format can be downloaded from www.igstc.org. The project proposal should be submitted online using pt-outline: <https://secure.pt-dlr.de/ptoutline/app/igstc2017> latest by 10th January 2018.