



مؤسسة الكويت للتقدم العلمي
Kuwait Foundation for the Advancement of Sciences

Call for Research Proposal

(April 17th 2016 – June 16th 2016)

INTRODUCTION

KFAS is pleased to announce the second cycle of 2016 for submission of applications seeking funding of research proposals.

Since late 2013, all new research proposals are submitted, reviewed and decided upon within two bi-annual cycles. The aim is to ensure not only a more competitive practice but also a harmonized assessment and consideration process with a view of selecting and awarding grants to those proposals that meet the goals of KFAS, in an optimal way.

Researchers with interests in the areas listed below are welcome to submit their **FULL** proposals no later than June 16th 2016.

National Priorities Research

1. **Energy**
 - Energy efficiency and conservation
 - Renewable Energy (Solar and Wind)
 - Nanotechnology in Energy application
2. **Water**
 - Innovation in Desalination Technologies
 - Integrated Water Management including preservation, protection and wastewater recycling
3. **Environment**
 - Waste Management
 - Biodiversity monitoring, assessment and protection
 - Air quality
 - Environmental health
 - Climate change

Competitive Research & Research Capacity Building

KFAS also welcomes proposals that span all fields of science; from the fundamental sciences to industrially applicable sciences, that address research capacity building and excellence or has clearly demonstrated high value potential application to Kuwait society and economy.

KFAS encourages researchers to:

- Explore new science frontiers by integrating related disciplines (inter-disciplinary) to enhance areas of research;
 - Inter-institutional research proposals involving several institutions (local, regional, international);
 - Proposals for jointly funded research to support collaborative partnerships amongst several research institutions (local, regional, international).
- Note that multi-institutional / interdisciplinary proposals are especially welcome **provided that the proposals highlight clearly the purpose of collaboration that would *intrinsically* add value to the research plans and possible outcomes/findings.**

Eligibility

Researchers/scientists from the Kuwaiti Research & Higher Education sector, governmental institutions, Kuwaiti Shareholding Companies (KSC) and non-profit organizations, are eligible to apply for research funding. **However, all applications should be submitted through the institute/organization to which the applicant is affiliated.** Researchers/scientists from International academic and research institutes may also apply for research grants if the research project involves substantial collaboration, submitted through, and administered by a national (Kuwaiti) institute.

How to Apply

Kindly fill in the research proposal forms available at (www.kfas.org.kw). Make sure you **SAVE** the completed forms and **submit** it to the following address:

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Telephone: (965)-22278125 / 22278126
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Please refer to the newly updated KFAS Research Grant Manual for additional information.

INSTRUCTIONS EFFECTIVE MAY 2015

- Please note that KFAS application forms and proposals have to be submitted as both softcopies (in a cd/flash memory) and hardcopies.
- The original letter of intent must be signed and submitted as a hardcopy.

Preliminary Assessment

- All proposals are screened by KFAS based on the requirements outlined in the present call.
- Proposals in line with KFAS research scope will have the advantage to undergo peer review to assess the scientific merit of the proposal.

*Submitted Proposals for **EXPLORATORY GRANTS** will undergo a fast-track expedited process **after** the preliminary assessment and written acknowledgment of grant funding.

Contact Us

If you have any inquiries, do not hesitate to email us at research@kfas.org.kw

CYCLE DEADLINE

June 16th 2016

*Please note that KFAS expects to announce its next call in
November – December 2016*