



Internal Seed Funding for Finland-China Collaborative Projects

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

The purpose of this seed funding is to support research and education projects focusing on food, nutrition and health which will enhance academic collaborations between Finland and China. This is a [Food Research and Health Connects](#) (FRESHNETS) initiative and therefore, is part of the Finland-China Food and Health Network (FCFH), one of the global networks of the Ministry of Education and Culture of Finland.

The eligibility criteria for application are:

- The applicant should have a work contract with the UEF (**Faculty of Health Sciences**) for the period of the grant.
- The proposal should involve at least one researcher from China or a Chinese research or educational institute.
- The focus of the proposed project should be at least one of the following: nutrition, food safety, food composition and analysis, and food and health.
- The proposed project may involve research and teaching activities.
- The proposed project may involve staff mobility between UEF and the partnering institute(s) in China.

The grant amount will be between 7 000€ and 10 000€ for individual projects; a maximum of 2-3 projects will be funded. The funding can be used for covering research cost, equipment cost, organizing teaching activities, travel costs, accommodation, publication cost and conference registration cost. The funding period is 01.06.2023 – 31.12.2023. The grant amount will be given at the beginning of the project and requires a short report at the end of the project to show how the grant has been utilized according to the project plan.

To apply:

Fill the information in the **form** (Note: Project plan as attachment is needed).

Project plan (maximum 3 A4 pages) should cover the following information about the project:

1. Aim
2. Schedule
3. Budget plan
4. Expected outcomes

The deadline for application: **28.04.2023 at 16:00 (EET)**.

Evaluation and result announcement: An independent external board of experts in the relevant fields will evaluate the applications and the Dean will make the final decisions on the funding. The result will be announced in May 2023.

The evaluation will focus on the following:

- Quality of the project plan (clarity of planning, justification, and scientific impact)
- Budget plan
- Collaboration

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