



Republic of the Philippines

DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

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SUBJECT: 2018 Manila Economic and Cultural Office-Taipei Economic Cultural Office (MECO-TECO) Joint Research Project Call for Proposals

Dear Colleagues:

We are pleased to announce that the 2018 MECO-TECO Call for Proposals is now open. May we request your assistance in disseminating this information to your S&T networks?

In pursuit of cooperation between the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) and the Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST, formerly National Science Council) of Taipei, we are calling for mutually beneficial and collaborative project proposals in any of the following identified priority areas:

- Artificial Intelligence for Service
- Point of Care Diagnostics for Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs)
- Assisted reproduction in Livestock
- Biotechnology for Crop Production

The modes of cooperation include joint research/study, exchange of scientists/technical experts, capacity building, scientific and technical access to facilities, provision of professional services, organization of scientific conferences, symposia, training courses, and workshops and exhibitions and the Sandwich Scholarship Program (SSP).

For reference, below is the timeline for the 2018 MECO-TECO JRP Call for Proposals:

Submission of Capsule Proposals:	01 February 2018
Council Recommendation:	28 February 2018
Submission of Full-Blown Proposals:	30 April 2018
Matching of Proposals:	May 2018
Technical Review:	May – 30 August 2018
Final Matching:	1-15 September 2018
Agreement on Proposals to Implement:	16-30 September 2018
Start of Project Implementation:	October 2018

Interested parties are advised to coordinate with prospective counterpart/collaborator in Taiwan to craft the capsule proposals. The Filipino researcher must submit the capsule proposal to the respective DOST Council while the Taiwanese counterpart

will submit the same to MOST for separate review and evaluation. Only capsule proposals that are endorsed for further submission of full-blown proposals will undergo technical review and possible approval by both DOST and MOST.

The necessary forms may be downloaded at <http://www.dost.gov.ph>. For further inquiries, you may contact Ms. Andrea Velasquez of the International Technology Cooperation Unit (ITCU), at Tel. No.: +632-838-8376 or email at amvelasquez@dost.gov.ph.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,



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