NORDIC CENTRE RESEARCH PLATFORM

The Nordic Centre Research Platform is a flexible and easily accessible support instrument for research collaboration between the Nordic Centre’s member universities and Fudan University. Its main purpose is to promote research of mutual interest to Chinese and Nordic researchers.

Who can apply?
Researchers (PhDs, Post Docs, and Professors) from Fudan University and Nordic Centre (NC) member universities can apply for the grant. The grant can be used for Nordic researchers to visit Fudan University and for Fudan researchers to visit NC member universities.

What is funded?
The costs of the research visits will be divided between the home university, the host university, and the NC. NC reimburses the visiting researcher for accommodation, local transportation, and basic living costs up to the amount of EUR 600 per week for visitors to Nordic universities, and up to EUR 350 per week for visits to Fudan University. Such basic living costs may include meals, various work-related expenses, or representation costs for work-related meetings, but not expenses like entertainment, clothing, or unnecessary consumption. The money will be paid after the research trip has been completed and upon handing in original receipts/boarding passes, etc. to the Nordic Centre.

The home university is responsible for the visiting researcher's salary during the visit as well as travel costs. However, the NC can provide up to EUR 500 for travel expenses. The host university provides office space and research facilities for the visiting researcher and assists in finding accommodation during the visit. The researcher should establish contact with the host university independently and is responsible for the arrangements of their stay themselves, including taking out a travel insurance if this is not covered by his/her home university. The duration of the visit is 2-4 weeks.

Application details
There is no deadline for the application which means you can submit your application throughout the year. The funding will be transferred to your account after the trip, and when you have submitted a report showing your travel expenses along with the original receipts. You will be reimbursed according to your actual expenses up to the amount of EUR 350 (China) and EUR 600 (the Nordic countries).

Applications will be evaluated based on the purpose of the visit and its expected results. Among the criteria to be used in evaluating the applications will be:
- potential for long-term cooperation
- benefits for Sino-Nordic cooperation and for the Nordic Centre.

The application should include:
- a list of research background/experience and publications/research projects
- the approval and recommendation of the home university for the visit
- an invitation and recommendation from the host university

Upon completion of the visit, the visiting researchers will be required to submit a short written report to the Nordic Centre describing the content and results of their visit.

An Application Form can be downloaded at: Research_Platform_Application.doc

The form should be filled in English and sent (together with relevant attachments) to the Nordic Centre Programme Manager, Magnus Jorem (magnus@nordiccentre.net).