

KWEF-AIT Research Grant 2016 (KARG 2016)

Background

Kurita Water and Environmental Foundation (KWEF) is a public interest incorporated foundation aiming at contribution to the development of new technology of water and environmental protection. Since it was established in 1997, about 800 grants were awarded out of total application of about 6,000 with total amount of the grants of about 500 m Japanese Yen. The KWEF, in collaboration with Asian Institute of Technology (AIT), has launched a new research grant program (KWEF-AIT Research Grant, KARG) for young researchers mainly in emerging countries in South East Asia.

Purpose

KARG aims to promote human resource development through researches to solve water and/or environmental problems in South East Asia. The focal research area in 2016 is **water-related Environmental Science and Technology**.

Total grant amount in 2016

Three million Japanese yen in total for ca. 16 projects (max 300,000 Japanese yen each)

Target countries in 2016

Thailand, Indonesia, and Vietnam

2016 Research Period

From September 1st, 2016

To August 31st, 2017

The Best Researcher Selection and Invitation to Japan

KWEF will invite the best researcher among the 2016 awardees to Tokyo, in August 2018, to give invited lectures and visit laboratories based on the 2016 Research outcomes to be selected by the KARG selection committee in January 2018.

Note: 2014 Awardee invited lectures: August 25th-26th, 2016 (venue in Tokyo)

Definition of young researcher

Less than or equal to 40 years old in principle (PhD candidates are also encouraged to apply.)

Pre-screening in each country

Pre-screening will be done in respective countries. The contact points are:

For Thailand, Dr. Chart Chiemchaisri, Kasetsart University, fengccc@ku.ac.th

For Indonesia, Prof. Tjandra Setiadi, Institut Teknologi Bandung, tjandra@che.itb.ac.id

For Vietnam, Dr. Nguyen Viet-Anh, Hanoi University of Civil Engineering, anhnv@nuce.edu.vn

Application form (see attached)

The application form may be down loaded at <http://karg.ait.ac.th/application.html>

All application forms should be sent to the KARG-secretariat (KARG-sec@ait.asia) as well as the respective contact points, by e-mail, by **May 15th, 2016**, for Indonesia or Vietnam, and by the end of May (May 31st, 2016) for Thailand.

Vietnam contact point:

Assoc. Prof. Nguyen Viet-Anh,

Director, Institute of Environmental Science and Engineering (IESE),

Head of Water Supply and Sanitation Division, Hanoi University of Civil Engineering, Vietnam.

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Member of the international selection committee

Prof. Chongrak Polprasert (Chair), Thammasat University, Thailand

Assoc. Prof. Chart Chiemchaisri (General Secretary), Kasetsart University, Thailand

Prof. Tjandra Setiadi, Institut Teknologi Bandung, Indonesia

Assoc. Prof. Nguyen Viet-Anh, Hanoi University of Civil Engineering, Vietnam

Prof. Motoyuki Suzuki, Representative of KWEF

Prof. Kazuo Yamamoto, Representative of AIT

Member of the national selection committees

Thailand (hosted by Kasetsart University)

Prof. Chongrak Polprasert (Chair), Thammasat University

Assoc. Prof. Chart Chiemchaisri (Secretary), Kasetsart University

Assoc. Prof. Suwasa Kantawanichkul, Chiangmai University

Assoc. Prof. Udomphon Puetpaiboon, Prince of Songkla University

Assoc. Prof. Thammarat Koottatep, Asian Institute of Technology

Assoc. Prof. Chawalit Rattanatamskul, Chulalongkorn University

Indonesia (hosted by Institut Teknologi Bandung)

Prof. Tjandra Setiadi (Chair), Institut Teknologi Bandung

Prof. Yulinah Trihadiningrum, Institut Teknologi Sepuluh November

Prof. Setijo Bismo, Universitas Indonesia

Assoc. Prof. Agus Jatnika Effendi, Institut Teknologi Bandung

Vietnam (hosted by Hanoi University of Civil Engineering)

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nguyen Viet-Anh (Chair), Hanoi University of Civil Engineering

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nguyen Phuoc Dan, Ho Chi Minh University of Technology

Assoc. Prof. Nguyen Van Cong, Can Tho University

Assoc. Prof. Tran Van Quang, Da Nang University of Technology

Due Dates

Open for application:

April 1st – May 15th, 2016 (Indonesia and Vietnam);

April 1st – May 31st, 2016 (Thailand)

Pre-screening in each country: by the international selection committee meetings

The international selection committee meeting: June 10th, 2016

Final Approval by the KWEF Board: July 8th, 2016

Result notification: by the end of July, 2016

Award ceremony: August 19th, 2016 (venue in Indonesia).