Japan-Germany Joint Call for Proposals

Sustainable Hydrogen Society: Technical, Environmental, Economic and Social Analyses Reference Document: Enterprise Contribution Requirements

For enterprises (private companies, etc.) participating in the project as part of the Japanese team, JST requires that the total amount of financial and other resources contributed by the enterprise(s) are at least equivalent to the amount of commissioned research funds received in total by the funded enterprise(s) from JST. In making this calculation, all items that can be paid for with the commissioned research funds (including "Equipment Costs," "Personnel Expenses") can be counted as part of the company's contribution.

The relationship between Total Research and Development Expenses (A+B+C), JST Commissioned Research Funds (B+C), and Enterprise Contributions (A) are shown in the diagram below.

JST Commissioned Research Funds (up to 46,800,000 yen over three years, including indirect costs)

	B: Commissioned	C: Commissioned Research
A: Enterprise	Research Funds	Funds Received by
Contributions	Received by	Universities and other
	Enterprise(s)	Research Institutions

A≧B

Additionally, enterprises participating in the project as part of the Japanese team are not allowed to pay Equipment Costs or Personnel Expenses from the commissioned research funds. The definition of Equipment Costs are items with an acquisition price of 500,000 yen or more and a usable life of one year or longer.

Items that can be paid for using JST commissioned research funds for enterprises

Cost of	Equipment	Entirely funded by the enterprise	
Goods	Consumables	Can be paid from JST commissioned research funds	
Travel Expenses		Can be paid from JST commissioned research funds	
Personnel Expenses		Entirely funded by the enterprise	
Others		Can be paid from JST commissioned research funds	

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Application guidelines

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· Guidance document (Japanese only)

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