

KEYNOTE LECTURE 2

Overview of Science and Technology Policy Structure in Japan and JST Activities

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JST is one of the three major funding agencies in Japan which gives funds to academia and industry on the policy-oriented basis. Our mandate includes five different activities, namely “creating advanced technology”, “promoting technology transfer and innovation”, “promoting dissemination of scientific and technological information”, “promoting public understanding of science and technology” and “researcher exchange and research support”.

JST has two different programs for “researcher exchange and research support”. One is “Strategic International Cooperative Program (SICP)” in which we have collaboration on the “equal-partnership” basis with 22 different countries in 30 different fields, and the other is “Science and Technology Research Partnership for Sustainable Development (SATREPS)” in which we collaborates with Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) to support international joint research cooperation between Japan and developing countries.