

## Section 1 – Call Summary Guideline

### RIIM Kolaborasi Internasional – BRIN and MOST



#### Joint Call for Proposals 2025

#### *(The 1st Joint Research Program)*

### Between the Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST) of China & the National Research and Innovation Agency (BRIN) of Indonesia

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| <b>Call announcement:</b>                 | Call Announcement and System Opening<br>(Indonesia side)<br>14 July 2025 at 08:00 AM (WIB).<br>Chinese researchers must follow the official call guideline issued by MOST China.   |
| <b>Deadline for submission:</b>           | 21 August 2025 at 11:59 PM WIB (Indonesia side)<br>Chinese researchers must follow the official call guideline issued by MOST China.   |
| <b>Selection results announcement:</b>    | Late September / Early October 2025 <i>(tentative)</i>   |
| <b>Contract Signing &amp; Preparation</b> | <b>October–December 2025</b>   |
| <b>Start of projects:</b>                 | January 2026 <i>(tentative)</i>  |
| <b>Funding per project:</b>               | <b><u>China-side:</u></b><br>Up to RMB ¥2,000,000 per project.<br><b><u>Indonesia-side:</u></b><br>Up to Rp 1,000,000,000 per year per project   |
| <b>Duration of time:</b>                  | up to 24 Months (2 years)  |
| <b>Supported Countries/Regions</b>        | Indonesia and China  |
| <b>Joint Submission Requirement</b>       | Each proposal must be jointly submitted by researchers from both Indonesia and China. Pls must have confirmed partners at the time of submission.  |
| <b>Specific Themes</b>                    | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Food and Agriculture: Food Biotechnology, Dairy Products</li> <li>2. New and Renewable Energy: Solar Energy, Biomass and Biofuel</li> <li>3. Transportation Technology: Autonomous Electric Vehicle, Charging Station</li> </ol> |

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| <p><b>Description/qualifications of eligible participants</b></p>         | <p><b>Indonesia</b></p> <p>The Principal Investigator (PI) must be an Indonesian citizen with a doctoral degree (Ph.D.), affiliated with a research institution registered in the SEBARIS system. This includes BRIN, public and private universities, and other institutions engaged in research and development (R&amp;D). While involving BRIN researchers is not mandatory, it is strongly encouraged to facilitate administrative procedures, including research permits (<i>izin riset</i>) and foreign researcher clearances (<i>izin peneliti asing</i>).</p> <p>Researchers from non-BRIN institutions are fully eligible to apply independently, as long as their institution meets the eligibility requirements.</p> <p><b>China:</b></p> <p>Please refer to the official Chinese-language call guideline issued by MOST China for the full eligibility requirements for Chinese applicants.</p> <p> See Section 5 for full eligibility details.</p> |
| <p><b>Terms of Research Collaboration between Indonesia and China</b></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proposals must be jointly developed and submitted by both Indonesian and Chinese Principal Investigators (PIs).</li> <li>• The collaboration must be based on mutual benefit, shared responsibilities, and joint planning.</li> <li>• Teams are encouraged to ensure equitable roles in conducting research, sharing data, and publishing results.</li> </ul> <p><i>Please note:</i></p> <p><i>While the research content should be jointly planned and aligned, the proposal formats for Indonesia and China are different.</i></p> <p><i>MOST China uses a standard national application format (in Chinese) for international cooperation projects. Indonesian applicants must use the format provided in this guideline, while Chinese partners must follow the format and requirements set by MOST China</i></p>   |

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| <p><b>Eligible and Ineligible Costs (Indonesia / China Side)</b></p> | <p><b>Eligible and Ineligible Costs – Indonesia Side</b></p> <p> <b>Eligible</b></p> <p>Consumables, Small equipment (<math>\leq</math> IDR 50,000,000 and <math>\leq</math> 10% of total budget), Domestic travel, Field staff honorarium, Research-related meals (<i>for BRIN PIs, subject to BRIN's SBM regulations</i>), Testing or analysis fees related to the research, whether conducted at BRIN laboratories (e.g. via ELSA) or at external certified facilities</p> <p><b>✗ Ineligible:</b> Salaries/honoraria, hotel meetings, publication fees, international conference costs, major capital expenditures, overhead or management fees.</p> <p> See Section 6 for detailed cost categories.</p> <p><b>Eligible and Ineligible Costs – China Side</b></p> <p>Eligible and ineligible costs on the Chinese side must follow the official call guideline issued by MOST China</p> |
| <p><b>Submission proposal</b></p>                                    | <p><b>Indonesia Side</b></p> <p>Indonesian applicants must submit their proposals through the BRIN funding portal (<a href="https://pendanaan-risnov.brin.go.id">https://pendanaan-risnov.brin.go.id</a>) by the specified deadline. Each submission must include a signed approval sheet, a full research proposal, a detailed budget plan, CVs of all Indonesian team members, and any other supporting documents as required.</p> <p><b>China Side</b></p> <p>Proposal submission must follow the procedures and format specified in the official guideline issued by MOST China.</p>  |

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|                                       | Proposals must be submitted simultaneously to both BRIN and MOST China. Only proposals received through both channels will be considered for joint evaluation and potential funding.   |
| <b>Funding Terms &amp; Conditions</b> | <p><b>Important Notes for Applicants (Indonesia Side)</b></p> <p>Indonesian Principal Investigators (PIs) must obtain ethics clearance for their proposed research and ensure that foreign partners such as those from China—hold valid research permits in accordance with Indonesian regulations. These permits must be supported by a Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) or another legally binding document between the Indonesian institution and the foreign partner institution.</p> <p>The PNB (Non-Tax State Revenue) fee for foreign researcher permits is the responsibility of the Chinese side, unless exempted under applicable BRIN policies.</p> <p>For detailed administrative and compliance requirements, please refer to Section 6.3 of the full guideline.</p> |
| <b>BRIN point of contact</b>          | <p>Raden Arthur Ario Lelono, PhD</p> <p>Director of Research and Innovation Funding</p> <p>National Research and Innovation Agency</p> <p>Phone: +62 811-1064-6771</p> <p>Email: dana-risnov@brin.go.id</p> <p>Website: <a href="https://pendanaan-risnov.brin.go.id/">https://pendanaan-risnov.brin.go.id/</a></p>  |
| <b>MOST point of contact</b>          | For Chinese applicants, please refer to the official contact channels and procedures outlined in the call guideline issued by MOST China. Specific contact details are not provided in this document.  |

## Section 2 – Full Call Guideline

**RIIM Kolaborasi Internasional – BRIN and MOST**  
**Joint Call for Proposals 2025**  
*(The 1st Joint Research Program)*  
**Between the Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST) of China & the**  
**National Research and Innovation Agency (BRIN) of Indonesia**

### 1. BACKGROUND

The joint call between the Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST) of the People's Republic of China and the National Research and Innovation Agency (BRIN) of Indonesia aims to strengthen bilateral research collaboration. This call supports collaborative research that contributes to economic, social, and environmental outcomes in both countries.

This inaugural joint program is implemented under the Implementing Arrangement (IA) signed on 1 November 2024, which operationalizes the bilateral Memorandum of Understanding between the Governments of Indonesia and China signed on 8 September 2023. It reflects the mutual commitment of both countries to foster long-term cooperation in science, technology, and innovation (STI).

In Indonesia, this program is under the RIIM Kolaborasi Scheme, which is financially supported by the Indonesia Endowment Fund for Education (Lembaga Pengelola Dana Pendidikan – LPDP), under the Ministry of Finance. The disbursement and financial oversight in this scheme will be managed by LPDP.

#### 1.1. Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST) – China

The Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST) of China is the national agency responsible for strategic planning, coordination, and implementation of science and technology development. MOST supports domestic innovation and international scientific partnerships to address global challenges.

#### 1.2. National Research and Innovation Agency (BRIN)

The National Research and Innovation Agency (BRIN) is the central institution for research policy, execution, and funding in Indonesia. BRIN integrates former research agencies and focuses on strengthening the national research ecosystem, advancing innovation, and facilitating global collaboration.

### 1.3. The BRIN–MOST Joint Call

The 2025 BRIN–MOST Joint Call marks the first official bilateral research collaboration between the National Research and Innovation Agency (BRIN) of Indonesia and the Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST) of China. Established under the Implementing Arrangement signed on 1 November 2024—which operationalizes the Memorandum of Understanding between the Governments of Indonesia and China signed on 8 September 2023—this program seeks to promote sustainable development and technological advancement through joint research and knowledge exchange in mutually agreed priority areas.

In Indonesia, this program is financially supported by the Indonesia Endowment Fund for Education (Lembaga Pengelola Dana Pendidikan – LPDP), a public service agency under the Ministry of Finance. LPDP serves as the fiscal agent for co-funding schemes in research and innovation, including international collaborative initiatives under the RIIM (Riset Inovasi untuk Indonesia Maju) framework.

### 1.4. Call for Proposals Overview

This call invites joint research proposals from eligible Indonesian and Chinese research teams. Up to six projects will be selected, each with a maximum duration of two years. Research must align with the priority areas agreed upon by both countries:

- **Food and Agriculture** (e.g., food biotechnology, dairy products)
- **New and Renewable Energy** (e.g., solar energy, biomass, and biofuels)
- **Transportation Technology** (e.g., autonomous electric vehicles, charging stations)

Proposals should focus on applied research that contributes to solving societal challenges, enhances productivity, and supports innovation ecosystems in both countries.

## 2. OBJECTIVES OF THE CALL

The BRIN–MOST Joint Call aims to further advance existing research collaboration between Indonesia and China by supporting joint research projects in areas of mutual interest and benefit. This call is intended to facilitate scientific cooperation through the development of collaborative proposals that reflect the shared priorities of both countries. It promotes knowledge and technology exchange, encourages long-term institutional partnerships, and supports applied research that contributes to sustainable development and national innovation agendas.

### 3. CALL TIMELINE

| Activity                                       | Date / Period  |
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| <b>Call Announcement</b>                       | Call Announcement and System Opening (Indonesia side)<br><b>14 July 2025 at 08:00 AM (WIB).</b><br>Chinese researchers must follow the official call guideline issued by MOST China. |
| <b>Deadline for Proposal Submission</b>        | <b>21 August 2025 at 11:59 PM WIB (Indonesia side)</b><br>Chinese researchers must follow the official call guideline issued by MOST China.  |
| <b>Evaluation Period (Admin + Technical)</b>   | Mid-August to Early September 2025.  |
| <b>Bilateral Consolidation &amp; Selection</b> | September 2025.  |
| <b>Announcement of Results</b>                 | late September or early October 2025 (tentative)   |
| <b>Contract Signing &amp; Preparation</b>      | October–December 2025  |
| <b>Expected Project Start</b>                  | January 2026 ( <i>tentative</i> )  |

### 4. RESEARCH THEMES

1. Food and Agriculture [ Food biotechnology, Dairy products]
2. New and Renewable Energy [Solar energy, Biomass and biofuel]
3. Transportation Technology [Autonomous electric vehicles, Charging station]

### 5. PARTICIPANT ELIGIBILITY

#### 5.1. General Requirements

All proposals must be jointly developed and submitted by research teams from Indonesia and China. Each applicant must fulfill the eligibility criteria established by their respective national institutions—BRIN for Indonesian applicants and MOST for Chinese applicants. Proposals must involve active collaboration between both parties throughout the project duration, with clear roles and shared responsibilities. Each application must include at least one Indonesian institution and one Chinese institution as core partners. Proposal submission must be made in parallel to BRIN and MOST through their respective systems, following the requirements and formats set by each side.

## 5.2. Eligible Participating Institutions

| Entity Type                  | Indonesia Side  | China Side  |
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| Research institutions        | BRIN and non-BRIN research institutions registered in SEBARIS                       | Chinese applicants must meet the eligibility criteria set by MOST China. Eligible institutions include universities, public research institutes, innovation centers, and other S&T-focused organizations legally registered in China. Please refer to the official Chinese-language guideline for full details. |
| Universities                 | Public and private universities in Indonesia  |   |
| Other eligible organizations | Legally registered entities and community organizations conducting R&D in Indonesia |   |
| Government agencies          | Local government units conducting research and innovation                           |   |
| Legal status                 | Must have legal entity status in Indonesia  |   |
| Registration Status          | Must have legal entity status and comply with SEBARIS (for non-BRIN)                |   |

## 5.3. Eligible Principal Investigators and Team Members

| Criteria                      | Indonesia Side   | China Side   |
|-------------------------------|--|--|
| <b>Citizenship</b>            | Indonesian citizen   | As specified in the official call guideline issued by MOST |
| <b>Affiliation</b>            | Eligible institution in Indonesia  |  |
| <b>Academic Qualification</b> | Must hold a Ph.D.  |  |
| <b>Experience</b>             | Prior research experience relevant to the proposed topic   |  |
| <b>Confirmed Partner</b>      | Must have a Chinese partner at time of submission  |  |
| <b>Participation Limit</b>    | Researchers may be involved in up to two proposals: one as PI and one as member, or two as a member. |  |
| <b>Project Leadership</b>     | Can only lead 1 funded project   |  |
| <b>Team Size</b>              | Flexible, but must match proposed budget   |  |

## 5.4. Joint Application Requirement

Each proposal must involve at least one eligible institution from Indonesia and one eligible institution from China. Proposals must be submitted simultaneously to BRIN and MOST through their respective submission platforms. Only proposals with confirmed bilateral partnerships will be considered eligible for evaluation.



## 6. ELIGIBLE AND INELIGIBLE COSTS

### 6.1. Eligible Costs

| Cost Category  | Indonesia Side (BRIN)   | China Side (MOST)            |
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| Consumables and raw materials                          | ✓ Allowed   | refer to MOST call guideline |
| Small-scale equipment                                  | ✓ Allowed<br>(≤ IDR 50 million and ≤10% of total budget)  |                              |
| Domestic travel (research-related)                     | ✓ Allowed   |                              |
| Honorarium for field workers                           | ✓ Allowed   |                              |
| Meals for research-related meetings (non-hotel venues) | ✓ Allowed. For BRIN PIs, subject to BRIN's SBM regulations; for non-BRIN PIs, follow respective institutional policies. |                              |
| Access to Research Facilities and Services             | ✓ Allowed, including testing services via ELSA or other relevant laboratories   |                              |
| Software Subscription and Licensing                    | ✓ Allowed. Covers subscription or license fees for research-related software use during the project duration            |                              |
| Research Data Acquisition and Processing               | ✓ Allowed. Covers field and technical activities related to gathering and preparing research data                       |                              |

*Note:*

*All proposed cost items must be inclusive of applicable taxes in accordance with Indonesian regulations.*

### 6.2. Ineligible Costs

| Ineligible Budget Item  | Indonesia Side (BRIN) | China Side (MOST)            |
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| PI or team salaries / honoraria                                       | ✗ Not allowed         | Refer to MOST call guideline |
| Hotel-based meetings  | ✗ Not allowed         |                              |
| Publication fees (e.g., Open Access, editing, translation)            | ✗ Not allowed         |                              |
| Seminar, conference participation (including registration and travel) | ✗ Not allowed         |                              |
| Capital expenditure (e.g., land, buildings, large equipment)          | ✗ Not allowed         |                              |
| Communication devices (phones, credits)                               | ✗ Not allowed         |                              |
| Souvenirs or gifts  | ✗ Not allowed         |                              |

| Ineligible Budget Item                    | Indonesia Side (BRIN) | China Side (MOST) |
|---|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Grants/sub-awards to third parties        | ✗ Not allowed         |                   |
| Institutional overhead or management fees | ✗ Not allowed         |                   |
| Personal assistants or caregivers         | ✗ Not allowed         |                   |
| Salary for civil servants                 | ✗ Not allowed         |                   |

#### **Note on Researcher Mobility:**

While researcher mobility is a mandatory activity under the BRIN–MOST bilateral collaboration, its costs are not covered under the main research grant and therefore fall under the ineligible cost category.

However, Indonesian applicants are required to include a mobility plan in their proposal and are advised to apply for funding support separately through the Talent Management Directorate at <https://manajementalenta.brin.go.id>. Coordination with the Talent Management Directorate is strongly recommended at the proposal stage to ensure compliance with applicable guidelines and timelines.

## **7. FUNDING ARRANGEMENTS AND DISBURSEMENT**

### **7.1. Funding Provisions and Duration**

Each joint project will be funded separately by BRIN (Indonesia) and MOST (China), in accordance with each country's respective funding rules and financial procedures. Cross-border funding is not permitted.

- MOST (China): Up to RMB ¥2,000,000 per project for a maximum duration of 24 months (2 years).
- BRIN (Indonesia): Up to IDR 1,000,000,000 per project per year, for a maximum duration of 24 months (2 years)

Funding for Indonesian researchers is managed by BRIN in coordination with LPDP as the fiscal agent under the RIIM Kolaborasi Internasional scheme.

### **7.2. Funding Disbursement Mechanism for Indonesian Grantees**

Funding for Indonesian research teams under the BRIN–MOST Joint Call will be administered through the collaboration between the Directorate of Research and Innovation Funding (DFRI) – BRIN and the Indonesia Endowment Fund for Education (LPDP) as the fiscal manager. The following procedures will apply to projects that are officially awarded funding:

#### **a. Coordination with LPDP**

BRIN will coordinate with LPDP regarding the funding disbursement process and all administrative requirements related to the implementation of the BRIN–MOST Joint Research Program.

**b. Issuance and Ratification of Award Letter**

The Directorate of Research and Innovation Funding (DFRI) will issue an official Award Letter (Surat Keputusan Penerima Pendanaan or SK) to the Indonesian Principal Investigator (PI), based on the joint announcement of funded projects by BRIN and MOST. This SK will be submitted to LPDP for ratification.

**c. Contracting**

The Directorate of Research and Innovation Funding (DFRI) – BRIN will sign a research funding agreement or performance-based contract with the Indonesian recipient institution.

**d. Document Submission and Verification**

Fund recipients are required to complete and submit all necessary documents via the BRIN Research Funding Portal and/or LPDP's funding system. The documents will undergo verification by DFRI. If any discrepancy or incompleteness is identified, the applicant must revise and resubmit the documents.

**e. Financial Verification and Disbursement by LPDP**

After verification by DFRI, the documents will be forwarded to LPDP for financial verification. Upon approval, LPDP will proceed with disbursing the grant directly to the institutional bank account of the Indonesian recipient.

**f. Funding Stages**

Disbursement will follow these stages:

- **Stage 1:** 50% of the total approved funding, released upon contract signing and verification of required documents:
  - Signed funding agreement;
  - Final proposal and budget approved by BRIN;
  - Additional administrative requirements if applicable.
- **Stage 2:** Up to 50% of the total approved funding, released upon:
  - Submission of a formal disbursement request;
  - Utilization report showing at least 80% spending of the first disbursement;
  - Monitoring and evaluation report verified by DFRI;
  - Supporting documentation as required.

If the first-year funding exceeds IDR 250,000,000, disbursement may be made in two phases per fiscal year.

**g. Multi-Year Projects**

Continuation of funding for multi-year projects will be based on performance evaluation by DFRI. Results of the evaluation will determine eligibility for subsequent funding, and may be subject to deliberation at the Annual Joint Meeting with MOST.

#### *h. Reporting and Disbursement Platform*

All financial and progress reports must be submitted through the LPDP eRISPRO platform at <https://risprolpdp.kemenkeu.go.id>. Detailed instructions on how to submit reports will be available through the system's information center.

#### ***i. Return of Unused or Improperly Used Funds***

BRIN and LPDP will conduct financial verifications during and after the project period. If there are unused funds or funds used for non-eligible activities:

- BRIN will notify the grantee to return the funds;
- The refund must be transferred to the LPDP-designated virtual account within 60 calendar days of the notification;
- The refund procedure must follow the guidance published in the eRISPRO portal.

## **8. ETHICS CLEARANCE, RESEARCH PERMIT, AND PNBP**

### **8.1. Ethics Clearance for Indonesian Researchers**

All Indonesian Principal Investigators (PIs) must complete an ethics clearance self-assessment via <https://klirensetik.brin.go.id> after being awarded funding.

- If the self-assessment indicates that ethics clearance is required, the PI must proceed with the full application, including submission of the research proposal and any supporting documents requested by the Ethics Committee.
- Ethics clearance must be obtained before any research activities commence.

Early preparation is essential, as the review process may take several weeks depending on the nature of the research

#### **Note:**

*For awarded projects that have not yet completed the ethics clearance process, LPDP may proceed with administrative steps related to fund disbursement. However, no research activities may commence until the official ethics clearance is granted. This approach allows funding procedures to continue while ensuring full compliance with ethical standards. Principal Investigators are therefore strongly advised to begin the ethics clearance process as early as possible to avoid delays in project implementation.*

### **8.2. Research Permit for Foreign Researchers**

All foreign researchers involved in the project are required to obtain a research permit issued by BRIN.

The application process begins with the submission of Research Ethics Clearance via <http://klirensetik.brin.go.id>, followed by further coordination with BRIN's foreign research permit services.

Key requirements include:

- A legally binding agreement between the Indonesian and Chinese institutions (e.g., Memorandum of Agreement / MoA) outlining the scope of collaboration.

- Supporting documents including project title, location, duration, research team, and funding sources.

### **8.3. PNBP Fees and Exemption Policy**

Non-Tax State Revenue (PNBP) fees apply to foreign researchers applying for research permits. These fees are:

- Not covered by BRIN, and must be paid by the Chinese partner institution;
- PNBP fees can be waived, subject to approval, if the Indonesian PI is from a non-BRIN institution but officially collaborates with BRIN researchers, as documented in a formal collaboration agreement or institutional letter

Fee waiver requests are subject to BRIN's internal verification and approval process.

For detailed information on research ethics clearance and permit requirements, applicants should visit the BRIN Research Ethics Clearance Information System: <http://klirensetik.brin.go.id>

### **8.4. Estimated Processing Time**

The ethics clearance and research permit process may take time, depending on the complexity of the research and administrative requirements. Applicants are advised to refer directly to the official portal for detailed guidance and timelines <http://klirensetik.brin.go.id>

## **9. SUBMISSION PROCEDURE**

Proposals must be submitted simultaneously by both Indonesian and Chinese applicants through their respective national platforms during the official submission period.

- Indonesia: Proposals must be submitted through the BRIN funding portal at <https://pendanaan-risnov.brin.go.id>. All documents must be written in English
- China: as specified in the Chinese version of the call guideline

Although the proposal formats differ between Indonesia and China, the scientific content must be aligned and reflect a shared collaborative research plan. Each applicant is responsible for ensuring that their proposal is complete, consistent with their partner's, and fully compliant with the format, documentation, and procedures required by their respective funding agency.

Submission Deadline (Indonesia side): 21 August 2025 at 11:59 PM Western Indonesia Time (WIB). Chinese applicants must refer to the official call guideline issued by MOST China for their respective submission deadline.

## 10. REVIEW AND SELECTION

### 10.1. Evaluation Process

All submitted proposals will undergo a joint evaluation process conducted by BRIN and MOST, consisting of the following stages:

#### 1. Administrative Review

Each party will first conduct a national-level administrative review to ensure compliance with formal requirements, including:

- Eligibility of institutions and researchers
- Completeness of documentation
- Compliance with national submission procedures and deadlines

#### 2. Technical Review

Proposals that pass administrative screening will be assessed for scientific and technical merit by expert reviewers appointed independently by each funding agency. Reviewers will evaluate:

- Scientific quality and innovation
- Methodology and work plan
- Relevance to the thematic focus
- Potential for impact and sustainability

#### 3. Bilateral Consolidation and Decision-Making

Following the technical review, BRIN and MOST will engage in a bilateral consultation process to:

- Compare and consolidate evaluation results
- Select proposals that are jointly recommended for funding
- Ensure that both sides agree on the final list of funded projects

Final funding decisions will be made by consensus between BRIN and MOST, based on the alignment of evaluation outcomes and budget availability from each side.

### 10.2. Evaluation Criteria

The following criteria will be applied during the technical review process conducted by BRIN and MOST:

#### • Relevance to the Thematic Focus

Alignment with the joint call's priority areas: *Food and Agriculture, New and Renewable Energy, and Transportation Technology.*

#### • Scientific and Technical Quality

Clarity of research objectives, soundness of methodology, and the potential to generate new knowledge or technological innovation.

- **Strength of Collaboration**

Balanced and active contributions from both countries, complementarity of expertise, and well-defined mechanisms for effective joint implementation.

- **Implementation Feasibility**

Realistic and structured work plan, appropriate team composition, and efficient use of available resources.

- **Potential Impact**

Expected scientific, social, economic, or environmental benefits, including contributions to national development priorities and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

## **11. AGREEMENTS AND COMPLIANCE**

All funded joint research projects must comply with the national laws and administrative requirements of both Indonesia and China. These include, but are not limited to, research permits, ethics clearance, intellectual property rights, and the management of data and research materials.

In accordance with the Implementing Arrangement (IA) signed between BRIN and MOST, each project must be supported by a legally binding cooperation agreement—such as a Memorandum of Agreement (MoA)—between the Indonesian and Chinese institutions.

This agreement must clearly define the roles and responsibilities of each party and include clauses on:

- Intellectual property rights and ownership
- Access to and use of genetic resources and traditional knowledge
- Data and material transfer
- Dispute resolution mechanisms

The agreement must align with the prevailing laws, regulations, and institutional policies of both countries.

Additional guidance on institution- or agency-specific compliance requirements may be issued separately by BRIN and MOST, as needed.

## **12. REPORTING AND EXPECTED OUTPUTS**

### **12.1. Annual Progress Report**

Each Principal Investigator (PI) is required to submit an annual progress report to their respective institution. The report should include:

- Activities conducted during the reporting year;
- Achievements and milestones reached;
- Collaborative efforts (e.g., joint publications, researcher exchanges, joint events);

- Financial report in accordance with national procedures;
- Work plan for the following year;
- Major challenges encountered and mitigation strategies.

The report must clearly identify the roles and contributions of both the Indonesian and Chinese teams, and highlight joint achievements and outputs

## **12.2. Final Report**

A comprehensive final report must be submitted by both PIs within one month after project completion. It should include:

- Summary of the full project implementation;
- Roles and contributions of each team;
- Key outputs and outcomes (e.g., publications, intellectual property, policy contributions);
- Evidence of collaboration and joint activities;
- Impact and sustainability potential;
- Complete financial summary;
- List of publications and dissemination activities.

Report templates and detailed instructions will be provided by BRIN and the respective Chinese funding agency. All reports are subject to review and may be jointly evaluated.

## **12.3. Expected Project Outputs**

### **a. Primary Research Outputs**

- For projects with a duration of 1–2 years: At least one international journal article **under review** in a reputable (medium- to high-tier) journal, with the PI as the first or corresponding author; **or** At least one registered intellectual property (IP) (e.g., patent, copyright, design).
- For projects with a duration of 3 years: At least **two accepted** international journal articles in reputable (medium- to high-tier) journals; or At least one registered intellectual property (IP) of significant scientific or technological value.

### **b. Joint Publications with Chinese Partners:**

- During the project period, the Indonesian and Chinese teams must jointly produce at least two co-authored publications.
- These publications should reflect active collaboration and include both parties' affiliations, with key authorship (first or corresponding author) on either side.

### **c. Researcher Exchange:**

- Both teams are required to send at least two researchers to visit their partner institution during the project period.



- These exchanges may include short-term visits, training, joint fieldwork, or academic activities relevant to the research objectives.
- Mobility costs for Indonesian researchers are not covered under the main research grant. Applicants must apply separately for mobility funding through the Talent Management Directorate at <https://manajementalenta.brin.go.id>.
- Coordination with the Talent Management Directorate is strongly advised at the proposal stage to ensure alignment with applicable requirements and timelines.

**Note:**

Researcher mobility is a mandatory activity under the BRIN–MOST bilateral collaboration and must be clearly described in the proposal’s work plan. Although not funded through the main research grant, the mobility plan will be reviewed as part of the overall project evaluation.

**d. Recommended Additional Outputs (optional):**

Depending on the nature and objectives of the project, applicants are encouraged to deliver additional outputs, including but not limited to:

- Technology-based outputs, such as prototypes, demonstrators, or pilot-scale models;
- Capacity-building activities, such as joint workshops, training, or public outreach;
- Knowledge-based products, such as policy briefs or other strategic recommendations, where relevant to the project discipline (e.g., for policy-focused research).

**12.4. Acknowledgement Statement**

All reports (progress and final) must include a formal acknowledgement of support from the relevant institutions. This includes:

- National Research and Innovation Agency (BRIN);
- Indonesia Endowment Fund for Education (LPDP); and
- The Chinese funding partner (e.g., MOST China).

## **13. MONITORING, EVALUATION, AND RESEARCH OUTPUT SUBMISSION**

### **13.1. Monitoring and Evaluation Procedures**

Research projects funded under the BRIN–MOST bilateral collaboration scheme will be subject to regular monitoring and evaluation. The process includes:

- **Progress and final report submission**

PIs are required to submit both annual and final reports containing research activities, output achievements, and financial realization (see Section 12). Reports must be endorsed with institutional signatures (wet signature with stamp or certified electronic signature).

- **Submission schedule and platform**

Reports must be uploaded according to the official timeline through the e-Rispro LPDP portal at <https://risprolpdp.kemenkeu.go.id>. Detailed procedures for submission and reporting can be accessed via the Information Center on the e-Rispro platform.

- **Verification and follow-up**

In case additional verification is needed, the PI may be invited to present their research progress and/or a site visit may be conducted at the research location.

### **13.2. Key Considerations Regarding Research Outputs**

Researchers must take note of the following requirements related to outputs and publications:

- Ensure adherence to ethical authorship and joint publication standards;
- Include a formal funding acknowledgement in all reports and publications (see Section 12.4);
- Display the logos of BRIN, LPDP, and MOST on all relevant dissemination and communication materials.

### **13.3. Data Management and Output Submission**

#### **a. Management of Primary Research Data and Outputs**

All recipients must plan for and manage their research data and outputs in accordance with applicable national regulations. Digital versions of primary data and key research outputs must be uploaded to the Research and Innovation National Repository at <http://rin.brin.go.id>.

#### **b. Physical Submission of Research Outputs**

In addition to online submission, recipients are also required to submit physical copies of primary research data and outputs to the Directorate of Scientific Collection Management at BRIN, following the procedures set by the relevant regulations.

## **14. CONTACT POINTS**

For further information or inquiries regarding the Joint Call, please contact:

#### **CN MOST (China)**

Department of International Cooperation (DIC), Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST). Please refer to the official MOST guideline for contact information.

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## 15. ANNEXES

Applicants from Indonesia must submit the following documents as annexes to their proposal. Templates for the required documents are provided as part of the submission package and must be completed and uploaded via BRIN's submission platform:

1. Completed Proposal Form – using the official BRIN–MOST Joint Call 2025 Proposal Template (Indonesia Side)
2. Signed Approval Sheet – completed using the Approval Sheet Template (Indonesia Side)
3. Detailed Budget Plan – completed using the Budget Template provided by BRIN
4. Curriculum Vitae (CV) – of the Principal Investigator and all Indonesian team members, using the required CV format
5. Proof of Collaboration – at least one of the following documents from the Chinese partner institution:
  - Letter of Intent (LoI)
  - Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)
  - Memorandum of Agreement (MoA)
  - Implementation Arrangement (IA)
  - Relevant email correspondence confirming the collaboration

*Note: Legally binding agreements (e.g., MoA) are strongly preferred.*
6. Ethics Clearance Self-Assessment Summary (if already available at the time of submission)

## 16. CLOSING REMARKS

This document serves as an essential reference for all applicants and stakeholders involved in the planning, implementation, monitoring, and evaluation of the BRIN–MOST Bilateral Research Collaboration Programme, coordinated by the Directorate of Research and Innovation Funding at BRIN.

All participants in this scheme are expected to adhere to the provisions, requirements, and procedures outlined in this guideline.

**Jakarta, 9 July 2025**

**Director of Research and Innovation Funding**

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