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The V4-Japan Joint Research Program is a mechanism for formulating and supporting concrete research projects carried out on multilateral basis between the V4 region (Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, and Slovakia) and Japan.

Proposals eligible for the first call are those that follow the models of Japan + 2 different V4 countries (1+2), Japan + 3 different V4 countries (1+3), and Japan + 4 different V4 countries (1+4); in other words, a bilateral model of Japan + 1 country (1+1) is not eligible. Preference will be given to projects involving partners from all V4 countries (1 + 4 model).

The contribution from the International Visegrad Fund is an on-top (complementary) funding applicable to 1+3 (JP + 3xV4) or 1+4 (JP + 4xV4) models.

## Research field 2015—Advanced Materials:

- **Materials for extreme environments:**  
Multiphase alloys for application in extreme conditions (high temperatures, radioactive environments, aggressive media, etc.), as thermal barriers and ultrahard coatings;
- **Materials for electronics and energy harvesting:**  
**Microelectronics, photovoltaics, thermoelectrics, laser technologies;**
- **Lightweight construction materials:**  
Light construction materials for machine engineering (foam aluminum, composites with a metallic matrix, nanostructured materials, metastable metallic alloys, etc.).

## Eligibility/details:

The following eligibility criteria are applicable when applying for grant **support from the International Visegrad Fund**. Applicants must, however, also fulfill their respective national eligibility rules (please see [Annex 1: National and Regional Funding Regulations](#) on p. 11 in the call guidelines [.PDF]). The fund's support shall be awarded only to Principal/Second Project Leaders from V4 countries.

### → *Who can apply?*

Public or private research organizations or small or medium-sized enterprises from at least three different V4 countries and from Japan (JP + 3xV4); preference will be given to projects forming consortia

representing all four V4 countries

→ **How can one apply?**

- Each consortium selects a principle project leader who submits the [application form](#) to [jointv4@jst.go.jp](mailto:jointv4@jst.go.jp) (on behalf of the consortium)
- Each member of the consortium may win support from the funding agency in their respective country (see below for contact details)
- On-top contributions can be requested from the Visegrad Fund
- Download and fill out the [application form](#); submit it to [jointv4@jst.go.jp](mailto:jointv4@jst.go.jp)

*Countries: Funding agency:*

*Contact person/details:*

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→ **What is the deadline?**

Friday, April 10, 2015 at 10:00 GMT; projects are envisaged to start as of September 2015

→ **What is the budget?**

Max. €100,000 per project in the form of an “on-top” support

→ **Which costs are eligible?**

Printing/publishing costs and related delivery costs, renting costs and related technical services, fees for experts (honoraria), accommodation and board, transportation costs, translation/interpreting costs, office supplies and other materials connected with the project implementation, promotional and PR costs including promotional

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materials, website design and updates, overhead costs (max. 15% of the grant)

→ ***Which costs are not eligible?***

Capital investments, own indirect costs (e.g. utilities) or internal costs (e.g. renting one's own premises), VAT refunds, salaries or other financial remunerations of employees based on the labor code (including allowances and part-time work), overhead costs exceeding 15%