

UK-Chongqing and UK-Wuxi Higher Education Collaboration on Technology Transfer – Call for Applications

British Council China, which operates as the Cultural and Education Section of the British Embassy and Consulates-general, has organised a series of technology transfer activities in Chongqing municipality and Wuxi city respectively in collaboration with local partners of Chongqing Academy of Science and Technology and Wuxi Association for Science and Technology over the past two years. Through events like one-to-one meetings, symposiums and field visits to local enterprises and universities etc., 8 UK universities have set up varied programmes with Chinese universities and enterprises. Chongqing Academy of Science and Technology also organized a reciprocal visit to the UK to firm up different programmes with the UK universities in January.

Building on the successful previous events, British Council China is now calling for expressions of interest from the UK higher education institutions in the second round of UK-Chongqing and Wuxi Collaboration on Technology Transfer programmes. This year, the programmes in Chongqing and Wuxi will be organized back to back in Nov., so that you have the options to join programmes in either two cities or one in just one trip to China.

Main activities:

- Partnering Chongqing/Wuxi enterprises and UK universities. Following a call for expressions of interest in the UK, interested and shortlisted UK universities will be invited to come to Chongqing and/or Wuxi in Nov. 2013 to demonstrate their scientific excellence and visit local enterprises and HEIs.
- Those from Chongqing and Wuxi, if they identify any potential collaboration opportunities from the UK visit, will be invited to visit the UK in the year of 2014 to firm up collaborations between them.

How to apply:

1. Chongqing stop

- **Time:** scheduled on 19 and 20 of Nov. 2013
- **Technology List:** Chongqing Academy of Science and Technology has done needs analysis via its extensive network with both research institutes and local businesses and provided list of 12 technologies that wish to seek international cooperation. Please click [here](#) to download the technology list.
- **Application Form:** You can download the application form [here](#) (hyperlink). Please bear in mind that **only those that can meet the needs of these technologies will be invited to take part in the programme in Chongqing.**
- Please visit our [website](#) for other details of the programme in Chongqing, including project background, objectives, activities, timeline and funding arrangement.

2. Wuxi Stop

- Time: scheduled on 16 and 17 of Nov 2013
- Please visit our [website](#) for the details of the programme in Wuxi, including project background, objectives, activities, timeline and funding arrangement. A list of 71 specific technology and talent needs is provided. In addition to the 71 needs, wuxi welcomes all applications as long as they are responding to the 8 priority areas identified by Wuxi government which could be found in the proposal

3. Participation Fees

- Participants will be responsible for their own international travel;
- If you attend one stop of programme in either Chongqing or Wuxi, 500 pounds is charged for each participant to cover your accommodation, meals, local transportation and translation service locally.
- If you attend programmes in both Chongqing and Wuxi, a discounted rate of 850 pounds is charged for each participant to cover your accommodation, meals, local transportation and translation service in the two cities.

Please send your enquiries and application to: ihe@britishcouncil.org.cn and make it very clear in the subject line that your email is about Technology Transfer in either or both Chongqing and Wuxi. **The deadline for application is Wednesday, 31st July 2013.**