

Guidelines for Applicants to Supportive Measures 2013-14 Projects funded by

Network for University Co-operation Tibet-Norway (Network)

1. Introduction

The Network's Supportive Measures 2013-14 (SM 2013-14) projects provide support to capacity building of Tibetan academics and to activities contributing to increased dissemination of research results in the Network's Research Program.

SM 2013-14 is part of the Network's Research Program for the period 2011-14. The SM projects follow the overall guidelines of the Research Programme and aim to attain the primary goal and purpose of the Network's Norad-funded Research and Scholarship Program. All SM projects must be institutionally embedded in the partner institutions in Norway and Tibet.

SM 2013-14 provide support to capacity building activities connected to on-going Network-supported projects, former Network-supported projects, as well as pilot projects initiated by current supervisors to Tibetan PhD candidates funded by Network scholarships.

There is a rolling deadline for applications throughout 2013.

A total of approximately NOK 1.200.000 is available for allocation in 2013. NOK 250.000 of the available funds are earmarked support to conference participation (maximum NOK 25.000 for each participant) at the 13th seminar of of the International Association of Tibetan Studies (IATS) in July 2013.

The funds will be administered by the Network secretariat. Each project that is supported must be finalised by the end of 2014. Reporting of each project must be submitted no later than two months after it has been finalised.

2. Eligibility

2.1. Eligible Applicants

Eligible applicants are:

- Tibetan and Norwegian coordinators of long-term projects and pilot projects under the ongoing Research Programme (2011-14).
- Tibetan and Norwegian coordinators of former long-term projects and pilot projects from the former Research Programme (2007-11).
- Supervisors to Tibetan PhD candidates funded by Network scholarships (2012-15).
- Current and former Tibetan Network-students (MA and PhD-graduates) can apply for conference participation.¹

In order to ensure that each SM project is institutionally embedded in partner institutions, each applicant must be permanently employed at her/his institution (at least in a 50 % permanent position).

A coordinator who is Professor Emeritus is not eligible to apply for SM project funding. If a project coordinator becomes Professor Emeritus during the funding period of an SM project, he/she is allowed to finalise the project.

2.2. Eligible SM Project Activities

Eligible SM project activities are:

- Publication of research results
- Dissemination of research results
- Education and training of partner institution staff (also prospective staff)
- One-year pilot projects to explore possibilities and establish partnerships (only one eligible activity for PhD supervisors)
- Guest research visits to Norway in connection with bilateral project cooperation
- Seminars and conference participation
- Invitation of international experts to project workshops/seminars/conferences outside Tibet Autonomous Region (maximum NOK 50.000 per project).

All SM projects connected to on-going research projects funded by the Network should be of *relevance* to these projects and should contribute to strengthen them.

All SM projects connected to former projects funded by the Network should be of *relevance* to these projects and should aim at reaching their original goals, in particular through dissemination and publication activities.

SM projects applied for by PhD supervisors should be of *relevance* to the projects of the PhD candidates and should aim at establishing long-term research cooperation projects with Tibetan partner institutions.

¹ Any application for conference participation must be approved by the applicant's home institution and be recommended by the applicant's former supervisor.

3. Application Procedures

All applications except applications by current or former Tibetan Network-students should contain the following documents:

- Project proposal (including history of cooperation; goals and objectives of the proposed SM activity; description of the proposed SM activity; expected results of the 2013 activity, relevance).
- Budget. Budget estimates related to travels to Norway and Tibet should follow the travel
 rates of the Network for 2012-14 (for details see
 http://www3.hf.uio.no/tibetnorway/research/reisesatser%20201214.pdf for details).

Application and budget templates are available at www.hf.uio.no/tibetnorway.

Please note that applications by current or former Tibetan Network-students should be submitted online. Go to www.hf.uio.no/tibetnorway and click on 'all funding opportunities' to access the online form.

4. Submission and Selection Procedures

- Project proposals and corresponding budgets shall be submitted online to the Network secretariat.
- Project proposals with a budget less than or equal to NOK 50.000 will be subject to
 assessment and selection by the Network's working committee, in accordance with the
 overall Guidelines of the Research Programme 2011-14 and the Guidelines of SM 2013-14.
- Project proposals with a budget that exceeds NOK 50.000 will be subject to assessment and selection by the Network Board, in accordance with the overall Guidelines of the Research Programme 2011-14 and the Guidelines of SM 2013-14.
- When a proposal from a particular institution is evaluated, board members from that institution shall not be present in the final selection meeting.