

Call for proposals for RIMS Joint Research Activity (RIMS Workshops (Type B))

The Research Institute for Mathematical Sciences (RIMS), Kyoto University, is calling for proposals to organize RIMS Workshops (Type B).

1. Purpose and Overview of RIMS Workshops (Type B)

Under this Joint Research Activity, a group comprising a few researchers, including at least one foreign researcher and one Japanese researcher, conducts joint research at RIMS for a few days to about one week. Proposals are solicited through the year and chosen by RIMS, with the aim of promoting international joint research activities in which international researchers expeditiously conduct joint research with domestic researchers. Here, “international researcher” means a researcher whose affiliated university or institute is located outside Japan, and “domestic researcher” means a researcher whose affiliated university or institute is located in Japan.

In case of possibilities for continuing the collaborative research after or before a RIMS Joint Research Activity, it is suggested to apply for RIMS Workshop (Type B) along with the initially intended research category.

2. Workshop expenses

The maximum amount of travel expenses that can be applied for is 400,000 Japanese yen for each RIMS Workshop (Type B), or 600,000 yen under the “Promotion of Women's Participation” program. This can be used to cover, for example, transportation fees between participants' home countries and Japan, transportation fees in Japan, accommodation fees, and a per diem for invited overseas researchers. Upon request, it is possible to publish a related issue of “Kôkyûroku” (which is a series containing proceedings of Joint Research Activities) at no additional cost.

3. Research period

The workshop must be conducted sometime between April 2025 and mid-March 2026. The venue for the workshop should be RIMS. It should be conducted on weekdays, with the following days excluded: Japanese national holidays, Kyoto University holidays (June 18, August 12-13 and December 29 to January 3) and periods in which RIMS' events are being held (late August).

4. How to Apply

(1) Obtaining application forms

The forms for proposals (in PDF and Excel formats, and in a TeX macro package) can be downloaded from the following webpage:

www.kurims.kyoto-u.ac.jp/kyoten/en/call_for_proposals-1.html.

As well as the TeX macro packages themselves, instructions on how to use each macro package, and sample files are available. It has been confirmed that the packages operate on LaTeX2 ϵ and plain TeX, but it is unconfirmed whether or not they operate on other TeX

systems.

(2) Required documents

1. AY2025 Grant Proposal for RIMS Joint Research Activity (RIMS Workshop (Type B))
2. Joint Research Activity Intention Survey * optional

(3) How to submit

The proposer should submit the completed proposal in PDF or Excel format via the following webpage:

www.kurims.kyoto-u.ac.jp/kyoten/en/call_for_proposals-1.html.

Please note that **RIMS will not accept grant proposals submitted via email.**

5. Application Deadline

First deadline: Friday, November 29, 2024, 23:59 (JST)

* for workshops to be conducted between April 2025 and March 2026

Second deadline: Wednesday, May 7, 2025, 23:59 (JST)

* for workshops to be conducted between September 2025 and March 2026.

Third deadline: Friday, August 29, 2025, 23:59 (JST)

* for workshops to be conducted between December 2025 and March 2026.

6. Screening Process

The Advisory Board of RIMS will select proposals to be approved from amongst the submitted proposals for Joint Research Activities and decide the amount of travel expenses allocated to each.

7. Screening Result

Proposers who submitted applications by the first, second and third deadlines will receive the screening result for their proposal in February 2025, in the middle of June 2025 and in the middle of October 2025 respectively.

8. Determination of the Research Period

If the research periods of several proposed Joint Research Activities are concentrated on a certain period, RIMS may adjust their schedules.

9. Report

The proposer is requested to submit a report in the specified format without delay following the completion of the workshop.

10. "Promotion of Women's Participation" in Research Activities

We encourage the participation of female mathematicians in our research community at RIMS. To support this, we have introduced a specific "Promotion of Women's Participation" program.

To be eligible for this, proposals must meet the following two conditions.

(1) The principal researcher is female. (If there are two, both are female.)

(2) 50% or more of the expected participants listed in the proposal are female.

The Advisory Board will select up to one such proposal within the "Promotion of Women's Participation" workshop program. If a proposal is selected within this scheme, a budget of up to 600,000 yen will be offered; this is to support travel expenses for the participants, and encourage international participation. Proposals not adopted as this type of project will still hold a chance of being selected as a regular RIMS Workshop (Type B). The Advisory Board will make the selection, and decide on the budget (up to 400,000 yen) for each of the proposals accepted as a regular RIMS Workshop. Please note that the application form and the instructions ("How to Write the Proposal for a Joint Research Activity") for the "Promotion of Women's Participation" scheme are different from those for the regular RIMS Workshops program. For more background, please refer to the following webpage:
www.kurims.kyoto-u.ac.jp/kyoten/en/gender_equality.html.

11. Disclaimer

RIMS shall not be liable for any accidents, injuries, diseases, etc. which may occur during the research period. The researchers shall be fully responsible for such incidents by themselves.

12. Code of Conduct

A "Code of Conduct" is in place for those involved in Joint Research Activities at RIMS:
www.kurims.kyoto-u.ac.jp/~kenkyubu/CodeConductVer5.pdf.

We ask those proposing or participating in a research activity at RIMS to read the above Code of Conduct carefully and understand how it applies to them.

13. Gender Equality and Fostering Early Career Researchers

Kyoto University supports gender equality and encourages the research activities of early career researchers. RIMS asks that those preparing proposals (for any RIMS program) consider gender diversity and the perspective of fostering early career researchers. We particularly hope to see more female researchers participating as members of organizing committees. We moreover encourage the invitation of female and early career researchers to participate in and present their work at the various Joint Research Activities of RIMS. Finally, we highlight that proposals from female and early career researchers are extremely welcome.

14. Privacy policy

RIMS may use personal information included in the submitted documents to send guidelines for grant proposals and other relevant documents, and to carry out the screening process. RIMS may also provide screening committee members with such personal information and use the information to provide notification of and publicize screening results. RIMS will use personal information only within the scope necessary to achieve these purposes.

15. Contact information:

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