

Sample letter of acknowledgement¹ by Russian and Chinese organisations participating in the RSF-NSFC call for proposals of requirements for RSF's funding

Russian Science Foundation

... (Russian organisation) ..., , and ...(Chinese organisation), on the other hand, in case of receiving grant from the National Natural Science Foundation of China (NSFC) and the Russian Science Foundation (RSF) are obliged to provide necessary facilities and equipment for implementation of coordinated project directed by (...) from the Russian team and (...) from the Chinese team for the period of the funding of the project in the above mentioned organisations.

We take note also of the fact that plan and terms of the activities, implemented within the framework of the project, as well as the distribution of the project activities between Russian and Chinese research teams, will have to comply with proposals approved for grant funding.

We are notified that the results of the intellectual activities (included those originated from collective creative work) created during the implementation of the project (i.e.: own results and joint results), will have to be used by their holders in accordance with national rules. We are notified that according to the Russian legislation Russian Federation may use for public needs the results of intellectual activity originated from implementation of the project by the sole Russian team and, therefore, with no contribution of the Chinese team (i.e.: own results) on the basis of non-exclusive license provided by the rights holder to the state licensee.

We are also notified on the requirement of the Russian Science Foundation to the Russian research team concerning the number of publications, prepared during the implementation of the project, in leading Russian and foreign peer-reviewed journals, that may not be less than it is indicated in the proposal submitted to the Russian Science Foundation.

We are notified that Russian Science Foundation may reduce the amount of a grant, suspend or terminate the transfer of grant funds to the Russian team in the following situations:

- insufficiency of the Foundation's assets for funding
- the Foundation's Management Board comes to the above mentioned decision based on the results of audit, an expert evaluation of applications and reports submitted by Russian team
- the Russian team and/or Russian organisation violates the conditions and objectives of the grant proposal
- the project or certain activities within the project are found to receive (have received) funding support other than coordinated grant from RSF and NSFC
- falsified data in the grant proposal is revealed

¹ The letter may be provided in English or Russian. The content of this letter is different from the Letter of Agreement, which must be submitted to the NSFC in accordance with NSFC rules.

- the Russian research team and/or Russian organisation violates the requirements of the Russian legislation or conditions of the grant agreement between the Russian research team and/or Russian organisation and Russian Science Foundation.

On behalf of ... (Russian organisation) ...

On behalf of ... (Chinese organisation) ...

Place, date

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Signature, seal

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*Name and position of designated representative
of organisation*

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