

Call for Proposals (CFP) for Collaborative Research Projects between Korea University (KU) and Vilnius Gediminas Technical University (VILNIUS TECH)

Purpose of the Call

KU and VILNIUS TECH have entered in to an agreement to foster mutual collaboration with the aim of promoting their research works and accomplishments to both international academic and industrial communities.

As a result, researchers from both universities are invited to submit proposals for collaborative research projects. These research project should engage researchers and personnel from both KU and VILNIUS TECH.

Topics for Collaborative Research

There are no limitations regarding the research topics.

Structure of Research Team

Each research team should comprise one Principal Investigator (PI) from KU and one PI from VILNIUS TECH. Inclusion of students and other personnel is optional.

Project Execution Period

1 April 2025 – 31 March 2026.

Eligible Project Costs

KU and VILNIUS TECH will jointly fund each approved project, with KU contributing a maximum of KRW 10,000,000 and VILNIUS TECH providing up to 10,000 EUR from. The allocated funding is intended to cover the following eligible costs:

- Personnel costs: Salaries of both full-time and part-time research assistants or students involved in the project. PIs or co-PIs personnel costs are NOT eligible.
 - Equipment costs: Instruments and equipment necessary for the project execution, which will be owned by the purchasing university.
 - Other goods: Costs for consumables and other general office or experimental expenditures required for the execution of a project.

Reporting and Deliverables

A final report should be submitted within one month following the project's conclusion, no later than April 30, 2026.

- A publication in a journal ranked within the first or second quartiles (Q1 or Q2) by the Journal Impact Factor (JIF) of the Clarivate Analytics Web of Science database (excluding those listed in the Emerging Science Citation Index (ESCI) database or published by MDPI) is mandatory within one year following the project's conclusion. The PIs should be either the first or corresponding authors of the articles deriving from the funded research project. This article must acknowledge equal contributions from both the first and corresponding authors. Article must include the following acknowledgment: 'Research was supported by the Joint Research Collaborative Seed Grant Program between Korea University and Vilnius Gediminas Technical University (Grant No: KU-VGTU-2024-No)'.

Application Procedure

To apply for the research grant, an application form must be submitted to:

- International Research Collaboration Center, by the KU counterpart, email: kuircc@korea.ac.kr
- Science and Research Office, by the VILNIUS TECH counterpart, email: jelena.kabulova@vilniustech.lt

Please notice that both the submission to KU and the submission to VILNIUS TECH must be performed in parallel.

Application Deadline

Applications must be submitted by **17 February 2025**.

Contact for enquiries

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- At VILNIUS TECH: Jelena Kabulova, phone: +370 5 251 2316, Science and Research Office.