

## “France-Taiwan Scientific Grand Prize”

### Académie des sciences - National Science and Technology Council

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#### 2026 – Call for Applications Open to ALL RESEARCH FIELDS

The Académie des sciences and the National Science and Technology Council (NSTC) of Taiwan jointly award an annual Scientific Prize aimed at highlighting the role of scientific collaboration in bilateral relations by celebrating the achievements it has enabled and fostering their continuation.

The Prize will be awarded to a pair of active researchers (one affiliated with a Taiwanese research institution and the other with a French research institution) in recognition of their joint scientific achievements, and for their commitment to further enhancing their cooperation.

In 2026, the *Académie des sciences* and the National Science and Technology Council will jointly award a prize endowed with

**40 000€** in prize money.

The total prize amount shall be equally shared between the Laureates.

In addition, Laureates will have the opportunity to apply annually for a mobility grant funded by the NSTC, which may be used by themselves or a member of their research team to further promote scientific exchange.

#### Selection Process

- The call is open to all research fields
- Candidates teams are required to complete together the Application form attached to this call.
- Applications must be submitted by a team of 2 researchers:
  - one affiliated with a Taiwanese research institution; and
  - one affiliated with a French research institution.

- The 2 researchers must have an **established and effective prior collaboration**, demonstrated through joint research activities and outcomes.
- Letter of support:  
Each application must include at least **1 and no more than 2 letters** of support from distinguished or internationally recognized scientists within the applicant's field.

Note that recommendation letter(s) is/are **to be directly emailed** to the Académie des sciences and the National Science and Technology Council, **by the referees themselves, in PDF format** with the **mandatory subject**:

*"2026 FT Scientific Prize: LAST NAMES" (of both applicants).*

Recommendation letter(s) must be received **no later than June 8<sup>th</sup>**.

Late or improperly submitted letters will not be considered.

- Applications must be submitted in two identical copies, one to the Académie des sciences by the French applicant and one to the National Science and Technology Council by the Taiwanese applicant, no later than **June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2026**.
- Members from Académie des sciences or SINICA are not eligible to apply for the Prize.

## Submission of Applications

The application form must be sent **by email as a single file** (PDF format) to the following email addresses :

[relations.internationales@academie-sciences.fr](mailto:relations.internationales@academie-sciences.fr) **AND** [NSTC online system\(https://arspb.nstc.gov.tw/NSCWeb/slogin.jsp\)](https://arspb.nstc.gov.tw/NSCWeb/slogin.jsp)

The **deadline** for submitting application to **both** the Académie des sciences **and** to the National Science and Technology Council (NSTC) is:

**June, 8th., 2026**

## Evaluation Procedure

The selection of the Applicants is based on the above-mentioned criteria and carried out by a Jury composed of an equal number of Academicians/scientists with a minimum of 3 appointed from each side, selected for their scientific expertise and their familiarity with the research areas relevant to the applications.

Decisions are taken by an absolute majority.

## Announcement of Results and Award Ceremony

**The Grand Prize will be awarded** at the Académie des Sciences, under the Dome of the Institut de France, during the séance solennelle on

**November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026 pm**

Please note that on **November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2026**, Laureates would be invited to present their research during a ceremony co-organized by the Académie des sciences and the Bureau de Représentation de Taipei en France (BRTF) .

## CONTACTS

For additional information, please visit the following websites :  
[Académie des sciences](https://www.academie-sciences.fr/prix) : <https://www.academie-sciences.fr/prix>

National Science and Technology Council (NSTC):  
<https://www.nstc.gov.tw/folksonomy/rfpList>

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**APPLICATION FORM**  
**FRANCE-TAIWAN Scientific Grand PRIZE 2026**  
Académie des sciences - National Science and Technology Council

**APPLICATION**

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and

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**June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

**A - RESEARCH FIELD**

Please provide your research field and relevant keywords so that we can identify the most suitable reviewers for your work (**max 5 key words**).

**Research Field / Key words:**

**B – APPLICANTS INFORMATION**

<b>CO-APPLICANT n°1</b> <b>Surname and given name (TW)</b>	<b>CO-APPLICANT n°2</b> <b>Surname and given name (FR)</b>
<b>Chinese name (if available)</b>	<b>Chinese name (if available)</b>
<b>Current Position</b>	<b>Current Position</b>

<b>Research Institution / Organisation</b>	<b>Research Institution / Organisation</b>
<b>Email address</b>	<b>Email address</b>

### C - LETTER OF SUPPORT

Each application must include **at least 1 (no more than 2)** letter of support in **PDF** format from **distinguished or internationally recognized scientists** within the applicant's field.

The letter should provide a personal opinion of the scientific sponsor on the scientist applying (one page max).

Letter(s) must be **directly emailed by the referees themselves** (not by the applicant) to both the Académie des sciences and the National Science and Technology Council by **JUNE 8<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

Email to [relations.internationales@academie-sciences.fr](mailto:relations.internationales@academie-sciences.fr)

In order to ensure proper identification and processing, email with the **mandatory subject line: "2026 FT Scientific Prize: LAST NAMES"** (of the FR and TW applicants).

#### LETTER OF SUPPORT n°1 - provided by

Surname and given name of the referee  Chinese name (if available)	
Current Position	
Institution / Organisation	

#### LETTER OF SUPPORT n°2 (not compulsory)

Surname and given name of the referee	
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Chinese name (if available)	
Current Position	
Institution / Organisation	

Late or improperly submitted letters will not be considered.

#### D - CAREER SUMMARY FROM BOTH APPLICANTS

Each Applicant has to provide:

1. A brief resume / CV (1 page max)
2. The Applicant's key scientific achievements (1 page max)
3. A list of the main publications (up to 10).
4. Please briefly comment each reference, 3 to 5 lines at most, and add a link to an open access archive, (1 page).<sup>1</sup>

#### E – PREVIOUS COLLABORATIVE ACTIVITIES & SCIENTIFIC ACHIEVEMENTS

1. Please describe the joint activities, jointly funded research projects, key outcomes resulting from the collaboration between the two Applicants.
2. Emphasize the complementary expertise of both candidates and the synergistic value generated through their close cooperation on shared projects.
3. Where applicable, list the scientific publications and other outputs that have arisen directly from this collaborative work. **(2 pages maximum)**

#### F - PLAN FOR FUTURE RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

**1) Title:**

please also provide the title in Chinese;

**2) Proposal and Abstract:** (1 page maximum)

please describe the key scientific objective, the work to be carried out, the roles/contribution of two sides, etc.);

**3) Expected results:**

(describe expected results, including possible papers and patents, and the education value to the young researchers on the team, etc.);

<sup>1</sup> The Académie des Sciences has signed the San Francisco Declaration (DORA), there is no need to give bibliometric indicators such as the impact factor of journals in the nomination.

**4) Other team member(s) involved with the French team:**

please list the name, position, institution and major role of other members, who have participated in this research by working with the French team;

**5) Other team member(s) involved with the Taiwanese team:**

please list the name, position, institution and major role of other members, who have participated in this research by working with the Taiwanese team.

**DATA PROTECTION**

Data Protection and International Transfer Consent<sup>2</sup>

YES

NO

**CONTACT**

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<sup>2</sup> By ticking this box, I acknowledge that my personal data will be processed for the purposes of eligibility verification, evaluation, conflict of interest assessment and follow-up related to this call.

I understand that my application will be submitted to and processed independently by the two partner organisations involved in this call, including a partner located outside the European Economic Area in a country that does not ensure an adequate level of data protection under Regulation (EU) 2016/679 and where appropriate safeguards under Article 46 may not be in place.

I have been informed of the possible risks associated with such processing and, where applicable, I explicitly consent to the processing of my personal data under these conditions, including any transfer covered by Article 49(1)(a) General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).

**CHECKLIST:**

**Please check that the following documents have been completed or included in this application form before submission:**

- A. Research field**
- B. Applicants information**
- C. Letter of support**
- D. French applicant's career summary (incl. portrait photo)**
- D. Taiwanese applicant's career summary (incl. portrait photo)**
- E. Previous collaborative activities & scientific achievements**
- F. Plan for future research activities**