

“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 8th**.

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 8th, 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 **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 24th, 2026 pm

Please note that on **November 25th, 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>

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

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