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Proposals have been called for the presentation of joint research projects under **Indo- Slovenia Bilateral Scientific and Technological Cooperation- 2014**, between Indian and Slovenian groups, in the framework programme of Scientific and Technological Cooperation for 2014-2016 between the Department of Science and Technology (**DST**), Ministry of Science & Technology, of the Indian Republic and the Slovenian Research Agency Slovenian Research Agency (**ARRS**), Ministry of Education, Science and Sport of the Republic of Slovenia.

Faculty, Scientists and Academicians belonging to Universities, Deemed Universities and Research Institutes having permanent positions can apply as Principal Investigator (PI) and should not be retiring during the proposed duration of the project. In order to qualify for such funding, investigators are required to have a concrete and sound research proposal on any of the following areas:

1. Engineering, sustainable construction industry and manufacturing technology;
2. Energy-efficiency technological solutions, including efficient use of energy (intelligent energy networks, etc.);
3. Health and Biotechnology, including food research;
4. New materials, including polymers;
5. Low-carbon technologies (hydrogen and lithium batteries);
6. Information and Communication technology;
7. Biosensors, instrumentation and control of processes;
8. Chemistry and biology of proteins.

Joint project proposal in the prescribed format duly forwarded by the Head of the Institutions are to be submitted simultaneously by the Indian researchers to DST and by the Slovenian partners to Slovenian Research Agency (ARRS). *Unilaterally submitted projects shall not be considered. The project duration would be of 3 years. Applications received by both the agencies with all necessary documents shall only be considered.*

The format and guidelines for submitting the project proposal is available on the website of DST (http://www.dst.gov.in/whats_new/whats_new14/India-Slovenia%20Joint%20Call%20-%202014.pdf)

The project proposal, 5 hard copies (including 1 original) and in PDF format, completed in all respect may be submitted on or before May 20, 2014 directly to Dr. Jagdish Chander, Scientist – G/Adviser, International Cooperation, Department of Science & Technology, Technology Bhavan, New Mehrauli Road, New Delhi - 110016 Telephone: 011-40000307 Telefax: 011-40000393 E-mail: jchander@nic.in through proper channel and following the due procedure, under intimation to the University. There will be no financial liability on the part of GTU.

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