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CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

USAID STRIDE RESEARCH GRANTS IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

The **Science, Technology, Research and Innovation for Development (STRIDE)** program is a five-year initiative by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) that aims to strengthen applied research activity in Philippine universities and industries.

USAID STRIDE has a competitive grants program that invites universities to apply for funds to support research undertaken jointly with either a US university or a Philippine industry or company. The goal of these grants is to increase the research capacity of Philippine universities and build a pool of scientists and technologists who will help drive innovation-led inclusive growth in the country.

We are accepting applications to the following grants:

Collaborative Applied Research with Industry (CARWIN) Grants

This is an opportunity for Philippine universities to increase their capacity to work with industry on a joint university-industry research. Technical support to the university-industry partnership will be provided by USAID STRIDE and one of its partner U.S. universities.

Who can apply:

- Applicants must be Philippine academic institutions with an identified Philippine industry partner with the capacity to conduct collaborative research work. Industry partners can either be not-for-profit or for-profit organizations operating in the Philippines.
- Must have a letter of commitment from the co-applicant industry partner.
- Preferably with experience in joint university-industry research collaboration.
- The principal investigator must come from the applicant university and preferably has prior experience in collaborative research with industry.

Philippine-U.S. Research and Exchange (PURE) Grants

This is an opportunity for Philippine universities to conduct joint research with a U.S. university of their choice on a topic relevant to Philippine industry. The grant may include mobility funding for the university partners.

Who can apply:

- Applicants must be Philippine academic institutions with the capacity to conduct joint research work and preferably with a track record in collaborative research.
- Must have a letter of commitment from the principal investigator, who is a faculty member of applicant Philippine university and preferably with experience of joint research.
- Proof of agreement to do a joint research with a partner U.S. university with existing strong linkages with global industries.

Grant value/inclusions:

Each grant will fund research work for up to US$80,000 within a period of up to 12 months.

Fields of study:

Research topics for CARWIN and PURE Grants are preferably, but not exlusively, focused on these sectors: manufacturing/engineering, electronics/semiconductor, health and medical, information and communications technology, energy, environment protection and preservation, aquatic/marine, food processing, crop production, and natural sciences.

Application requirements:

- Completed Main Grant Application Form and Supplementary Information form with the required attachments in the prescribed formats and templates:
  - **Technical proposal with research description, implementation plan, and monitoring and evaluation plan**
  - **Budget with cost share and budget narrative**
  - **Management systems questionnaire**
  - **Certificates**
- Cover letter duly signed by the Philippine academic institution

Schedule of USAID STRIDE Scholarships and Grants Information Sessions

Metro Manila (North) • February 13
Crowne Plaza Hotel, 8:00am to 5:00pm

Cagayan de Oro • February 19
Mallberry Suites, 8:00am to 5:00pm

Metro Manila (South) • February 25
Microtel (MOA), 8:00am to 5:00pm

Batangas • February 27
Batangas Country Club, 8:00am to 5:00pm

Cebu • March 5
Quest Hotel, 8:00am to 5:00pm

Iloilo • March 12
Amigo Terrace Hotel, 8:00am to 5:00pm

Interested parties should reserve a slot to attend any of these information sessions at **http://usaid-stride.eventbrite.com** or contact the USAID STRIDE Helpdesk.

Deadline for submission of all applications: No later than 5:00 pm of April 15, 2014

To apply to these opportunities under our grants program, contact the USAID STRIDE Helpdesk and request for an application form:

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