MISTI Global Seed Funds (GSF)  
2018-2019 Call for Proposals

The MISTI GSF grant program promotes and supports early-stage collaborations between MIT researchers and their counterparts around the globe. Many of the joint projects we fund lead to publications, additional grant awards, and the development of valuable long-term relationships between international researchers and MIT faculty and students.

GSF grants enable participating teams to spend time together, either at MIT or abroad, with the aim of developing and launching joint research projects. MIT faculty are encouraged to include MIT undergraduate and graduate students in their projects as participating members of the collaborating team. Most funds provide a maximum of $30,000.

New this round:

- Contrary to previous rounds, there will be no general pool.
- All funds are country or region specific; some funds only support collaboration with a particular institution (see below).
- The MIT Global Partnerships Fund will support projects in Africa, Latin America, India and Korea.

All funds adhere to the general GSF guidelines.

This year funds are available for the following locations:

- All African countries
- All Latin American countries
- Belgium (for projects with Université catholique de Louvain and Katholieke Universiteit Leuven)
- China
- France
- Germany (for projects with University of Stuttgart and Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg (FAU))
- India
- Israel (for projects with Ben-Gurion University of the Negev)
- Italy (for projects with Universita di Pisa, Politecnico di Torino, Milan Politecnico, and e Universita’ di Udine, Trieste and SISSA)
- Japan
- Korea (for projects with KAIST and a general Korea fund)
- Spain
- Turkey (for projects with Boğaziçi University)
- United Kingdom (for projects with Imperial College London involving an African institution)
In 2017, MISTI received 253 requests for funding and 110 projects (43%) were awarded a total of over $2.2 million. Since 2008, MISTI has awarded over $15.6 million to MIT faculty. Over $2 million is available in the current grant cycle.


For more information: MISTI GSF Overview

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