



DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (DST)
(Govt. of India)

**Announcement for inviting applications for participation in
4th BRICS Young Scientist Conclave
Campinas, Brazil
(15-18 September 2019)**

OVERVIEW:

The idea of the BRICS Young Scientist Forum was adopted at the 2nd BRICS Science, Technology and Innovation (STI) Ministerial Meeting. As part of BRICS YS Forum's activities, the 1st BRICS Young Scientist Conclave was held in Bangalore (India) in September 2016, the 2nd Conclave was held in Hangzhou, China during July 2017 and 3rd in Durban, South Africa in June 2019.

As a follow up of the above and to implement the BRICS Leaders' Declaration on "strengthening cooperation in science, technology and innovation, especially leveraging young scientific talent for addressing societal challenges; creating a networking platform for BRICS young scientists", and implement the instructions of BRICS ministers, the 4th edition of the BRICS Young Scientist Conclave is scheduled to take place in Campinas, Brazil during 15-18 September 2019.

The Conclave will provide a high-level platform of academic and policy exchange for talented young scientists as well as scientific personnel from BRICS countries to help them grow their skills, broaden their horizon and improve academic and policy qualifications, stimulate the interest of talented young scientists in the strategic research of future technologies, direct their attention to the most promising and important field of science and technology, promote exchanges and friendship, expand channels of cooperation, strengthen inter-disciplinary integration, encourage new academic inspirations, cultivate new academic disciplines and produce valuable policy advice.

VISION:

- BRICS Youth connectivity & networking to harness their knowledge for resolving common societal challenges through research and innovation and strengthen advancement of skill & research competencies of youth primarily below the age of 35 years drawn from Science, Engineering other allied disciplines.
- Building BRICS leadership in S&T through creative youth with capacity and capability to accelerate change individually and collectively (BRICS Youth Alumni).
- Reinforcing BRICS nation's and regional STI policies and youth policies, skill development and entrepreneurship polices.

LEAD SPONSORS:

BRICS STI Coordinating Ministries (Department of Science & Technology from Indian side).

THEME:

“BRICS Young Innovation and Entrepreneurship”

The 4th BRICS YSF under the theme “**BRICS Youth Innovation and Entrepreneurship**” will highlight the strategic importance of science, technology and innovation as key drivers of youth entrepreneurship and leadership.

Eligibility:

Scientists/ engineers/ technologists/ innovators/ science journalists-educators-science, science literacy and popularizing professional / specialists on translational aspects of research and technology integration in society-market / researchers, up to the age of 40 years

The participants must be a Doctoral Students or Post-doc or a young faculty completed the Ph.D degree in the above mentioned areas/ topics. The applicants who have already participated in the previous editions of BRICS Young Scientist Conclaves are NOT eligible to apply.

Funding support:

The International air travel related expenses (airfare, medical insurance, visa fee etc) shall be met by the Department of Science & Technology Govt of India) whereas the local hospitality ie food, accommodation and local transport in Brazil will be supported by the (MOSTIC of Brazil) for the entire duration of stay in Brazil.

Programme

The 4th BRICS YSF programme is likely to include the following activities:

- ✓ BRICS Young Women in Science Dialogue
- ✓ Youth Innovation and Entrepreneurship
- ✓ Science Diplomacy, Advice and Communication

Selection process:

The selection of Indian participants for participating in the BRICS YS Conclave 2019 shall be made by an Expert Selection Committee to be constituted by DST. The selection shall be based on the assessment of information provided by the applicant in the application form and the reference letter(s).

Up to 20 participants shall be selected by the Department of Science and Technology (Govt. of India) and the final list of participants shall be forwarded to the Ministry of Science, Technology, Innovation and Communication of Brazil.

Submission process and timeline:

The application is required to be submitted online ONLY at <http://www.brics-ysf.org/>

No other form and/or channel of submission of the application shall be entertained. Hardcopies are not required to be submitted.

The deadline for submitting the applications is 31st July 2019 (midnight)

For more information about the program, please contact-

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