

CHIANG CHING-KUO FOUNDATION LIBRARY TRAVEL GRANT 2025

Thanks to the generous support of the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation, the EACS will continue the Travel Grant scheme in 2025. The scheme aims to support researchers who wish to undertake specialised research in one of the major European sinological libraries or museums for Chinese art. Visits should normally not exceed one week. The award of a Travel Grant is subject to the availability of funds at the time of application.

Applications received before the deadline of 15 March 2025 will be considered within 3 weeks after receipt. Applicants should be paid-up EACS members based in Europe, but applications from non-members, especially from students and young scholars (up to 35 years), will also be considered if accompanied by a recommendation letter from an EACS member.

Applications for Travel Grants are restricted to two applications by the same applicant, with first-time applicants having priority. Once the grant has been approved, the beneficiary must use it within six months from the approval date.

Each application will be considered on its own merit, but priority will be given to the following applicant groups in descending order:

- a. Ph.D. students and post-doctoral fellows from Ukraine, irrespective of their current place of study;
- b. Ph.D. students and post-doctoral fellows in European Institutions with no specific financial support from their own institutions;
- c. Scholars based in Central and Eastern Europe;
- d. Scholars based in Western Europe.

In addition to the above regional criteria priority will be given to researchers on temporary contracts or without access to other sources of research funding. Applicants are asked to include a statement regarding the availability or non-availability of alternative funding in their application letter.

APPLICATIONS must include:

- a letter stating the library/museum to be visited and intended dates of travel;
- a statement of purpose, including a short description of the research project, with precise indication of the sources and material to be used (the easiest way to obtain this information is to consult the electronic catalogues of the respective libraries accessible also through the EACS website) or the collection;
- a written statement obtained from the librarian of the institute/curator where the proposed visit is to take place, confirming that the research materials required are available for consultation;

- a one-page curriculum vitae with a list of main publications (in case of more advanced scholars);
- a statement of the travel expenses (Apex economy airfare or 2nd class rail fare), including a note of other sources of funding;
- in the case of PhD students, a letter of recommendation from their supervisor;
- in the case of non-members, a letter of recommendation from an EACS member;
- address for correspondence, including e-mail.

Applications should be sent to the following grant coordinators by e-mail only:

1) For research on pre-modern China (i.e. before 1840) to:

Vincent Durand-Dastès, INALCO, 65 rue des Grands Moulins, 75013 Paris, E-mail: vincent.duranddastes@inalco.fr;

Valérie Lavoix, INALCO, 65 rue des Grands Moulins, 75013 Paris, E-mail: vlavoix@inalco.fr

2) For research on modern China (i.e. since 1840) to:

Andrea Riemenschmitter, University of Zurich, Institute of Asian and Oriental Studies, Department of Chinese Studies, Zürichbergstr. 4, CH-8032 Zurich, Switzerland, E-mail: andrea.riemenschmitter@aoi.uzh.ch

3) For research in one of the major European museums for Chinese art to:

Dr Michelle Huang, University of St Andrews, School of Art History, 79 North Street, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9AL, E-mail: ylh@st-andrews.ac.uk

Payment of Grants

- 1) If applications are approved, grants will be made to include travel expenses and a per diem allowance, which will vary from place to place.
- 2) The grants will be paid on completion of the visit.
- 3) Applicants who, due to special circumstances, need to receive the grant in advance, should indicate so in their application.
- 4) For citizens of Russia and other countries not belonging to the Euro Zone, arrangements will be made for them to collect the grant at the place of the library upon their arrival.
- 5) On completion of their visit, all recipients of a grant should obtain a letter signed by the librarian, certifying that the visit has been made and specifying the dates when it began and ended.

- 6) The librarian's letter and a brief report of about one page should be sent directly to the administrator of the LTG finances: Juan Du, Bureau D574, Site des Chenes, 33 Bd. du Port 95011, Cergy-Pontoise cedex, France, E-mail: juan.du@cyu.fr
- 7) Any publication using material collected during the programme should include acknowledgement of support received from the CCK Foundation.

Librarians

(For further details about the libraries, see our website or the website of the European Association of Sinological Librarians at: www.easl.org.)

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