

# **Application Guideline for Young Faculty Members Support Program for New IROAST Major Research Area**

## **1. Outline**

IROAST started its “Young Faculty Members Support Program for New IROAST Major Research Area” focused on young researchers in the science and technology field who has potential to develop great strides on the international stage with challenging pioneering and high-potential research to lead to new IROAST major research area (Science and Technology for Developing a Well-Being Society-Beyond the SDGs).

## **2. Purpose**

To support young researchers to develop their research into new fields and to conduct joint research with inside and outside the university

## **3. Achievement**

- To develop outstanding researchers with international research capabilities who will lead the next generation, and to strengthen the international competitiveness of the University and increase its presence in the world.
- Conclude the MOUs with international joint research institutions, etc., and submission of international co-authored papers.

## **4. Eligibility**

Researchers must be faculty members (including project faculty members) of science and technology fields at Kumamoto University.

\* Age 45 or younger (at the end of the fiscal year 2021), up to Associate Professor

\* IROAST Research Unit Coordinators and IROAST Young Faculty Members for International Joint Research are not applicable.

## **5. Number of selection**

A small number to be selected

## **6. Research Expenses**

Approx. One million JPY (depends on the number of selections)

(Supporting expense must be necessity for conducting research and travel fees)

## **7. Period of research project support**

Selected date to March 31, 2022

## **8. Selection**

The selection will be made by the IROAST Director and Vice Director by screening the application documents

#### **9. Others**

- The selection would be prioritized to the researcher who have never supported by IROAST before.
- The selected researcher must submit a report (IROAST Annual report) by the end of the annual year to the IROAST director.
- There may be opportunities to present the progress of research.
- Relevant publications should include the description of IROAST as an affiliation of the unit members. E.g. “International Research Organization for Advanced Science and Technology, Kumamoto University, Kumamoto, Japan”
- To provide support for research exchange, workshops, seminars, publishing books and submitting papers.
- The selected young researchers may be appointed as IROAST Young Faculty Members for International Joint Research in the following fiscal year and may continue to receive the support.