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**COORDINATION FOR NEGOTIATION, ADVISORY AND
INTERNATIONAL STUDIES (CONAE/CGCIN/DCOI/CNPq)**

National Annex - BRAZIL

**National Council for Scientific and Technological Development (CNPq)
Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (MCTI)**

**BRICS STI Framework Programme
Pilot BRICS STI Flagship Projects Call 2026**

The National Council for Scientific and Technological Development (CNPq) and the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (MCTI) provide funding for high-impact research and innovation projects.

Please note that for CNPq, the 'Pilot BRICS STI Flagship Projects' and the '7th Coordinated Call for Joint Research Projects' are managed through a single, unified national framework. While these initiatives are presented in separate annexes to align with international coordination requirements, they are processed under a streamlined administrative structure in Brazil, categorized into two distinct funding tracks: Line 1 (Joint Research Projects) and Line 2 (Flagship Projects).

THEMATIC AREAS

BRICS STI Flagship Projects

- a. Digital Earth.
- b. Psycho-molecular tools.
- c. Intelligent Telescope and Data Network.

WHO CAN APPLY?

Only Brazilian researchers or foreign researchers with a permanent visa in Brazil can apply as Principal Investigators (PI). Each applicant can submit only one proposal to this Call (either in Line 1 or Line 2).

- The project leader must have a PhD degree.
- The project leader must have an updated CV available in the Lattes Platform (www.cnpq.br).

FUNDING PRINCIPLES

Within the framework of this call, CNPq will fund the Brazilian teams of the selected multilateral consortia. Funding will be provided strictly for **running costs (Custeio)**, according to current CNPq regulations, including:

- **Consumables;**
- **Travel and subsistence costs** for Brazilian researchers participating in the project activities;
- **Third-party services;**
- **Other allowed running costs.**

Important Note: For this specific call, funds are allocated exclusively for running costs. **No scholarships (fellowships) or capital/permanent equipment expenses** will be covered by CNPq.

INDICATIVE BUDGET & PROJECTS

Indicative Budget: Approximately USD 3,000,000.00 (equivalent to BRL 15,000,000.00).

Number of Projects: A total of 3 projects will be funded (exactly 1 project for each of the three thematic areas).

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

Applicants must follow a two-step submission process:

1. **International Level:** The Project Coordinator must submit the **Joint Application Form (JAF)** to the BRICS STI Framework Programme Secretariat via the online registry (<http://brics-sti.org>).
2. **National Level:** The Brazilian PI must submit a national proposal to CNPq via the **Carlos Chagas Integrated Platform (PICC)**. Proposals must be written in Portuguese, but the JAF (in English) must be attached as a mandatory PDF file.

Failure to submit to both the International Secretariat and CNPq will result in the disqualification of the proposal.

COMPLIANCE AND ELIGIBILITY

Each international consortium must include partners from at least **three participating countries** (including Brazil). Participating countries for this call include Brazil, Russia, India, China, South Africa, Egypt, and Iran.

REPORTING

The report submission period is the same as the calendar year. By the end of each calendar year, Brazilian participants have to submit a scientific report as well as the financial statement according to the standard rules and requirements of CNPq. The report has to include a short overview of the work performed by the foreign partners and the amount of funding allocated by the foreign participants to the joint project.

INTEGRITY AND DATA MANAGEMENT

Proposals must comply with the **CNPq Scientific Integrity Policy (Ordinance 2664/2026)**.

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