

Global Research Laboratory Program

□ Programme Purpose

The GRL program is to establish and operate world-class laboratories capable of leading global cooperation in core technology fields and to increase international cooperation. It aims at:

- To establish and operate world-class laboratories capable of becoming global cooperation leaders in core technology fields and to increase international cooperation between Korea and other countries
- To increase the Korean research standard to world-class level.
- To strengthen practical international collaboration and global cooperation networks in key technological fields.

□ Programme summary

- **Research Field:** The GRL program supports technologies annually announced by public call based on the following criteria:
 - core technology area; strategic conformity with technologies of national priority; the level of need for global joint research; the government's R&D budget allocation efficiency; and the research project's potential to contribute towards S&T development.
- **Project duration:** The maximum funding term is 6 years.
- **Eligibility:** Any research centre, laboratory or group of an organization or institution may apply to the GRL programme.

- **Project Funding:** KPI may request an annual budget of up to KRW 500,000,000 for a GRL project. The requested budget shall be subject to adjustment based on the nature of the research activities, scope of research, attributes of the research topic, and the availability of funds.

□ **Programme owner**

The National Research Foundation of Korea is a national organization specialised in research funding and management. The NRF was founded on June 26, 2009 through the integration of the Korea Science and Engineering Foundation, the Korea Research Foundation and the Korea Foundation for International Cooperation of Science and Technology under the direction of the Ministry of Education, Science, and Technology.