

CAS-TWAS President's Fellowship Programme
For PhD Candidates from Developing Countries

Call for Applications

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Relevant Information

CAS is a national academic institution in China consisting of a comprehensive research and development network, a merit-based learned society and a system of higher education, focusing on natural sciences, technological sciences and high-tech innovation in China. It has 12 branches, 2 universities and more than 100 institutes with around 60,000 staff and 50,000 postgraduate students. It hosts 89 national key labs, 172 CAS key labs, 30 national engineering research centers and about 1,000 field stations throughout China. As a merit-based society, it has five academic divisions. CAS is dedicated to addressing fundamental, strategic and farsighted challenges related to the overall and long-term development of China. CAS and TWAS have had a close and productive relationship for many years, often involving TWAS's Regional Office for East and Southeast Asia and the Pacific (<http://www.twas.org.cn/twas/index.asp>). **Read more about CAS:** <http://english.www.cas.cn/>

USTC is a comprehensive university including science, engineering, management and humanity science, oriented to frontier science and high technology. It was established by the Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS) in 1958. It was moved to Hefei,

the capital city of Anhui Province, in 1970. USTC is now a prominent Chinese university, which is the member of the C9 League consisting of the top 9 universities in China and enjoys high reputation worldwide. USTC is regarded in China as “The Cradle of Scientific Elites.” It has around 1500 faculty members, 7200 undergraduates, and 9000 graduate students (2600 PhD candidates). USTC has 14 faculties, 27 departments, graduate school and software school. USTC is responsible for the enrollment and management of the PhD candidates of the CAS-TWAS President’s Fellowship Programme admitted by USTC.

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TWAS is an autonomous international organization, founded in 1983 in Trieste, Italy, by a distinguished group of scientists from the South under the leadership of the late Nobel laureate Abdus Salam of Pakistan. It was officially launched by the secretary-general of the United Nations in 1985. Its principal aim is to promote scientific capacity and excellence for sustainable development in the South. **Read more about TWAS:** <http://twas.ictp.it/>