

# Overview of 20 y of cooperation between ETAG and JSPS

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### JSPS Postdoctoral Fellowship for Research in Japan



- In cooperation with the Estonian Research Council and the Japanese Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS), a competition for postdoctoral fellowships for research in Japan is held every year.
- The program aims to promote international cooperation and mutual understanding through research in Japan.
- ETAG (and its predecessor) has acted as a nominating authority of JSPS since 2002 —

20 year anniversary!

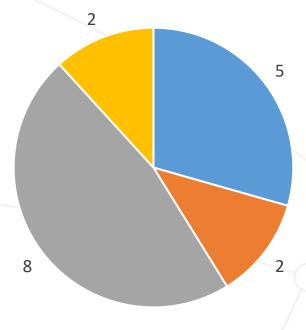


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- Programme JSPS Postdoctoral Fellowship for Research in Japan (Standard) – 1 researcher per year
- ETAG has nominated in total of 17 nominees over the years.
- Most fellowships nominated in:
  - Social and humanitarian sciences (5)
  - Natural sciences and engineering (8)
- Researchers from all diciplines can apply.

- Last call deadline was in March.
- Results will be announced in Summer 2023.

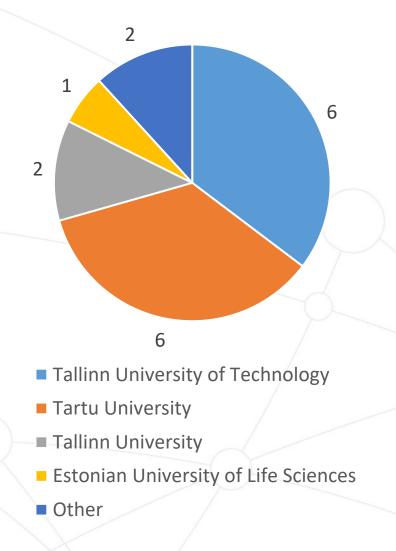


- Social and humanitarian sciences
- Health
- Natural sciences and engineering
- Environmental and Life Sciences

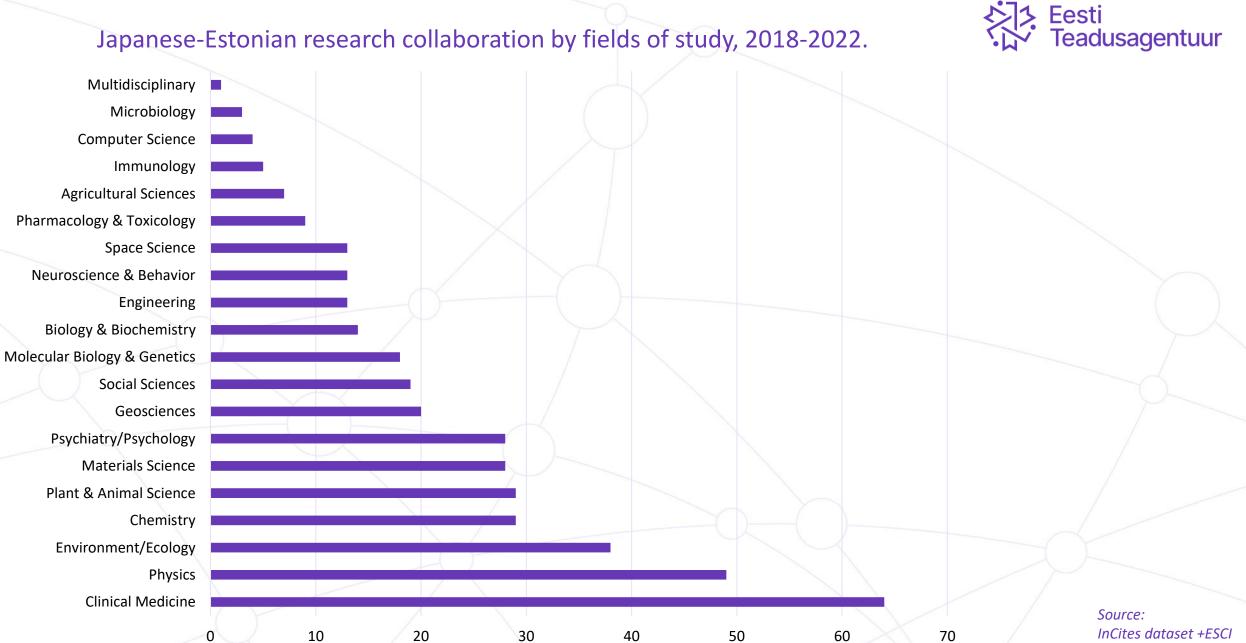
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| Host  | Number |
|---|--------|
| Tokyo Denki University                            | 2      |
| Hiroshima University                              | 3      |
| Tsurumi University                                | 1      |
| Kwansei Gakuin University                         | 1      |
| University of Tokyo                               | 2      |
| Tokyo University of Marine Science and Technology | 1      |
| Tokyo Institute of Technology                     | 1      |
| National Institute for Physiological Sciences     | 1      |
| National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies    | 1      |
| Tohoku University                                 | 1      |
| Sophia University                                 | 1      |
| Nagoya University                                 | 1      |
| Ehime University                                  | 1      |



#### Joint Publications



## Postdoctoral Fellowship for Research in Japan



- The purpose is to strengtheng the scientific relationship between Japan and the nominating country.
- Every year ETAG organises a public call. Next call plans to open September-October 2023.
- Each year 1 applicant is nominated by ETAG
- The tenure must be 12-24 months (full months).
- The grant starts October to November.

#### Who can apply?



- Candidate has to:
- Be a citizen of a country that has diplomatic relations with Japan.
  - Relevant to applicants who are not from Estonia
- Candidates must have obtained their doctoral degree within six years of the date the fellowship goes into effect.
- All fields of the humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences are included under this programm (except projects related to military affairs).



### Amount of the fellowship



- Airfare: A round-trip air ticket
- Maintenance Allowance: ¥362,000 per month (ca 2700 €).
- Miscellaneous: A settling-in allowance of ¥200,000 (ca 1700 €).
- Overseas travel insurance, etc.



- Grant-in-Aid for JSPS Research Fellow is available to cover cooperative research-related expenses.
- Application for these grants is made by the host researcher through his/her institution.

#### Documents to be submitted



- Application Form filled by the candidate in English.
- Letter of acceptance/invitation from host researcher in Japan.
- Letter of recommendation signed by the candidate's doctoral supervisor (etc.) (on letterhead paper).
- A copy of the candidate's Ph.D. degree diploma.
- Applicants have to send signed application and other relevant documents to ETAG by the call deadline.

#### Evaluation



- Each application will be evaluated by the researcher(s) in the field.
- ETAG will make a nomination according to the reccomendation from the evaluators.

The final decision about the nomination made by JSPS.