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European Hub for Contemporary China (EuroHub4Sino)





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Aims of the project



- China is a key global actor and a leading economic and technological power.
- It is changing the world in complex and often hard-to-understand ways.
- However, European expertise on contemporary China is often fragmented and difficult to access.
- To address this situation, the EuroHub4Sino project aims to develop a state- of-the-art digital platform which will collect and provide up-to-date information on China.
- It will also build a network of scholars and other interested parties, pooling their knowledge.
- The project will run for 36 months, from October 2023-September 2026.
- At the end of that period, the database will be fully functional and ready to provide a platform for China knowledge sharing in Europe.







Consortium composition



Institute for Security & Development Policy







Work packages

- WP1: Project management
- WP2: Platform development and testing
- WP3: Community building and support
- WP4: Policy research and analysis: policy papers and workshops
- WP5: Dissemination, exploitation and communication









Budget

- The overall project budget is 1 933 437.50 euros (reduced from 2 500 000 because two British partners will receive funds from UKRI instead of the EU).
- VŠE's allocation is 202 500.00 euros over three years.
- The majority of the costs are for personnel, plus smaller budgets for travel expenses, equipment, and other goods, works and services.









VŠE's role in the project

- Our part of WP4 is to research China's approach to multilateral frameworks, institutions and global governance.
- We will research the impacts of the Belt and Road Initiative, the BRICS forum, and other regional cooperation frameworks led by China in the global South.
- We have to prepare 3+1 policy papers per year of the project.
- In addition we have to organise one workshop to disseminate the research findings.
- We also have to coordinate with Hybrid Core in the construction of the database, employing a junior researcher who will provide inputs and information on our topic.
- As an additional responsibility, we have to employ a junior researcher on behalf of Chatham House.







Tips and advice

- Above all: find a consortium led by an experienced Western European partner – in the latest calls, they often need "Eastern European" partners.
- Consortia led by Western European institutions will likely have an experienced team which can write the application documents – you will only have to focus on writing your part of the work packages – a small part of the overall submission.
- To find partners, you need to network, network, network! People won't invite you if you are not known (visibility of research publications also helps).







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Thank you for your attention

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