

**Invitation to participate in
a matchmaking workshop Chemistry of Advanced Materials
7 April 2016 in Guangzhou, China**

NWO Chemical Sciences and the Department of Science & Technology of Guangdong province (GDST) invite you for **a matchmaking workshop in Guangzhou on Thursday 7 April 2016**. The workshop is being held in the framework of the "GDST-NWO science industry cooperation programme Chemistry of Advanced Materials". The matches will be made with Chinese research groups and Dutch and Chinese companies.

Background information

In January 2016 NWO and GDST published a joint Call for Proposals. NWO and GDST aim, amongst others, to initiate joint science industry cooperation projects of mutual interest and to lay the foundations of a Sino-Dutch community in Advanced Materials, with the participation of industrial, academic and government parties (see section 2 of the Call for the complete list of aims).

In order to support Dutch researchers to build a consortium with Chinese researchers and companies active in China and/or the Netherlands, NWO invites you for a matchmaking workshop in Guangzhou on Thursday 7 April 2016, organised together with GDST and in collaboration with the Dutch consulate-general in Guangzhou.

Workshop goal

The goal of the workshop is to meet potential counterparts and exchange ideas for joint research projects.

How to participate & possible financial support

The workshop is open to all interested scientists who qualify as Dutch Leading Applicant or Dutch co-applicant (see section 3.1 of the Call). Please register as a participant by filling in the attached registration form. Send the form to advancedmaterials@nwo.nl on **1 March 2016 14:00** at the latest.

For a maximum of 20 Dutch senior researchers NWO can provide financial support to a maximum of € 2.000 to cover travel, hotel and other expenses related to participation in the workshop. If you are interested in receiving this financial support, you can indicate this in the registration form. If there are more than 20 applicants for financial support, a selection will be made aimed at a balanced group of experts from multiple organizations. NWO will notify all applicants of the decision on 10 March at the latest.

Workshop format

Researchers participating in the workshop

- provide a profile which GDST and the consulate-general will use to look for interested Chinese parties;
- will give a pitch of 5 minutes during the matchmaking workshop to introduce him/herself and his/her research and group to the audience;
- will present a poster during a poster session (the poster session will be held in two rounds in order to give all presenters the possibility to walk around during one of the rounds);
- will have (a) face-to-face talk(s) with the potentially interested parties found by GDST and the consulate-general;
- will have the opportunity to participate in the networking dinner on the evening of 7 April.

Deadline to register for the matchmaking workshop (and financial support)

To register for the workshop and apply for financial support please fill out the attached form and send it to advancedmaterials@nwo.nl on **1 March 2016 14:00h CET** at the latest. On 10 March you will be informed whether or not you are selected to receive the financial support.

Notes

- Please be aware that participating in the matchmaking workshop and/or applying for financial support is no guarantee, but also no prerequisite, for receiving a subsidy from the 'GDST-NWO Chemistry of Advanced Materials' Call.
- On Friday 8 and Saturday 9 April research institute DIRM (Device Integrated Responsive Materials) will organize its annual international scientific forum in Guangzhou. DIRM is a joint research institute of the Eindhoven University of Technology and the South China Normal University in Guangzhou.

Timeline

1 March 14:00h	Deadline for registration for the matchmaking workshop (and for financial support)
10 March	NWO has notified all applicants about the selection for support
Early April	All participants of the workshop receive an overview of all the participants + one or more arranged face-to-face talks
7 April	Matchmaking workshop in Guangzhou
8 and 9 April	DIRM scientific workshop in Guangzhou
28 June 14:00h	Deadline submission of project proposals

More information

For more information about the matchmaking workshop or the Call for Proposals please contact dr. Mark Kas, advancedmaterials@nwo.nl, tel. 06 – 205 93 207.

REGISTRATION FORM FOR PARTICIPATION
in matchmaking workshop Chemistry of Advanced Materials
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1. a. Name of applicant
b. Affiliation of applicant
c. Contact details of applicant
2. Key words of scientific expertise (maximum 5)
3. Professional biography of applicant (maximum ¼ page A4)
4. Description of research group (maximum ¼ page A4)
5. Key publications (maximum 5)
6. Description of scientific interest within the topics of the Call for Proposals (maximum ¼ page A4)
7. a. Did you already identify possible Chinese counterparts?
b. If so, please specify
8. For what kind of partner are you looking?
9. a. Do you apply for financial support to participate in the matchmaking workshop?
b. If so, give a compact budget breakdown of the amount you apply for (maximum € 2.000)

Please send your completed form to advancedmaterials@nwo.nl latest by **1 March 2016 14:00h CET**.