

2025 Aslla Symposium Organizer Recruitment Notice

Since 2017, the Korea Institute of Science and Technology (KIST) has hosted the Aslla Symposium to foster interdisciplinary research through in-depth discussions on global challenges in science and technology, promote academic discourse, and expand international collaboration. Starting in 2025, the symposium is expanding to an open-event format, where researchers, industry professionals, and the general public can come together in unique new science festival space. As such, we are looking to recruit an organizer for the symposium, and invite outstanding researchers in science and technology fields to apply.

Symposium Details

- Official Title: Aslla Symposium * Sub event name can vary depending on theme
 - * Aslla is the ancient name of the city of Gangneung, and means ‘great ocean and spirit of beautiful nature’
- Location: The event can be held at various locations within Gangneung, including KIST’s Gangneung branch
- Scale: The event can be flexibly organized, accommodating both small-scale, in-depth discussions and open sessions for general participants, with the possibility of hosting both formats concurrently
 - The event will be held one time in 2025, with a maximum duration of four days
- 2025 Theme: Natural Products & Biotechnology
 - * Refer to attachment for details

Organizer Qualifications

- Eligibility: Those with outstanding academic achievements and expertise with challenging global issues in science and technology fields (including UN SDGs), and who have experience organizing and leading international symposiums or have relevant experience
- Role: Organizing symposium participants and programs (programs should include opportunities for public participation and feature elements unique to Gangneung), recruiting a co-organizer, submitting the proceedings on the symposium to the Steering Committee following the event
 - * **If the organizer is not affiliated with KIST, a KIST researcher must be appointed as co-organizer**
- Support Details
 - Budget: Approximately 190,000,000 KRW
 - Budget includes all expenses related to organizing the symposium, including airfare, accommodation, food expenses and contract fees for PCO services

How to Apply and Evaluation Process

- How to Apply : Complete “Organizer’s Proposal” form and submit to aslla@kist.re.kr by March 21
- Evaluation Process * The schedule is subject to change depending on progress
 - Review of submitted organizer proposals (planned for mid-March)
 - Individual notification of results to applicants (planned for mid-March)
 - * Inquiries : Contact KIST Aslla Symposium Secretariat (aslla@kist.re.kr / +82-2-958-6167)