POSCO TJ Park Foundation Year 2012 Research Grants for Asian Studies

POSCO TJ Park Foundation (<u>www.postf.org</u>) is an independent and non-profit organization fully financed by POSCO, one of global leading steelmakers. The Foundation has been contributing to the future of Asia by expanding its range of the social responsibilities through cultivating leadership for the next generation, realizing Asian networking, and sharing project for public interests.

To facilitate mutual understanding and development in Asia, the Foundation has launched the Research Grants for Asian Studies and collects comprehensive area studies on Asia in liberal arts and social sciences fields as follows.

• The goal of POSCO TJ Park Foundation Research Grants is to support Asian studies to promote mutual understanding and cooperation in Asia, so that the research themes are generally open to fields of liberal arts and social sciences including history, archeology, science of religion, geography, philosophy, sociology, anthropology, literature, psychology, management, economics, etc.

• Research themes for this year

- Free Topics : Any topics in the fields of liberal arts and social sciences concerning Asia

* The person in charge of the selected research grant for 2011 is subject to presenting final study results, if requested by the Foundation, at POSCO Asia Forum to be held in May 2013 (tentative plan).

- Make a proposal of a research project and carry it out, suggesting new theories or analyses related to Asian region through empirical studies, field studies or literature studies
- The qualified applicants are full-time faculty members and research staff at universities in Asia

* The researchers at the research institutes in Australia focusing on the Asian Studies are also qualified applicants

- Duration of grant: March 1, 2012 ~ February 28, 2013
- The value amount of grant is up to US\$15,000 per project. (Researchers are requested to make application after calculating proper budget according to each subject. The value amount of grant can be adjusted after discussions on application.)
- Deadline for application: APPLICATION SHOULD BE RECEIVED BY E-MAIL NO LATER THAN December 2, 2011
- Announcement of results: the Foundation announce it on its website(http://www.postf.org) in the end of February 2012
- A committee including the Foundation is responsible for the final selection of the candidates recommended by corresponding referees of each academic field
- Grant payments: Three times on an installment basis
- 1st: 50% of the total research expenses to be paid via a relevant university after