

Funding Opportunities in Hong Kong

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General Observations

- Hong Kong is a financial/export/tourism/service hub in Asia/World
- Hong Kong has a laissez-faire and bottom-up governing style
- Efficient and excellent infrastructure
- Soft industries, e.g., IT, services, etc.

Funding Sources

- University Grants Committee (UGC) and Research Grants Council (RGC) via block grants or earmarked/indicated grants
- Other Government and private funds

Earmarked Research Grant

- Direct Allocation (new and up-start)
- General Research Fund (main research)
- Collaborative Research Fund (major)
- Joint Research Schemes (with others)
- Fulbright Hong Kong Scholar Programme
- Postgraduate Students Conference/Seminar Grants

Joint Research Schemes

- Germany/Hong Kong Joint Research Scheme
- PROCORE-France/Hong Kong Joint Research Scheme
- NSFC/RGC Joint Research Scheme
- ESRC/RGC Joint Research Scheme

Private and Industry

- Croucher Foundation, KC Wong Foundation, Hong Kong's Jockey Club
- Innovation Technology Fund (ITF)
- GYM-Google, Yahoo, and Microsoft (MSRA), EPSON, Fujitsu, NTT, etc.
- Hong Kong's Science and Technology Park
- Local and oversea VCs