

Memo

From: Frank  
To: PAP participants  
Re: NSF Funding opportunity  
Date: August 29, 2006

As Christoffer describes with relation to the European Science Foundation, here is another possible funding opportunity, from NSF.

NSF may also have separate programs for international conferences on specific themes.

This particular program may support broader collaborations, however. More details can be found at the NSF web site: [NSF.gov](http://NSF.gov)

**Program Solicitation NSF 06-589**

**Program Title:**

Partnerships for International Research and Education (PIRE)

**Synopsis of Program:**

Partnerships for International Research and Education (PIRE) seeks to catalyze a cultural change in U.S. institutions by establishing innovative models for international collaborative research and education. The program will enable U.S. institutions to establish collaborative relationships with international groups or institutions in order to engender new knowledge and discoveries at the frontier and to promote the development of a globally-engaged, U.S. scientific and engineering workforce. International partnerships are, and will be, increasingly indispensable in addressing many critical science and engineering problems. As science and engineering discoveries result more and more from international collaboration, U.S. researchers and educators must be able to operate effectively in teams comprised of partners from different nations and cultural backgrounds. The program supports forward-looking research whose successful outcome results from all partners – U.S. and foreign – providing unique contributions to the research endeavor. It is also intended to facilitate greater student preparation for and participation in international research collaboration, and to contribute to the development of a diverse, globally-engaged, U.S. science and engineering workforce

These can be relatively large awards: \$500,000 per year for several years.

Only 3 proposals can come from any single university

Pre-proposals are due October 30, 2006  
Full proposals, if solicited, are due February 28, 2007