

## Joint statement

The China-Nordic Policy Symposium on Research Funding was held in Beijing on 29-30<sup>th</sup> of May 2019. NSFC reform was presented alongside Nordic presentations on interdisciplinary research funding. The participants showed great interest in the NSFC reform and would like to be informed of its progress. The participating funding agencies agree to jointly strive to:

- establish a continuous Sino-Nordic dialogue on multilateral and interdisciplinary research.
- hold a bi-annual symposium, alternating between the Nordic countries and China.
- develop Sino-Nordic joint calls to support research collaboration and mobility of talent.
- together identify future areas of research collaborations within the SDGs.
- collaborate on developing more effective practices of research review and evaluation, appreciating the recent emphasis on interdisciplinary research in NSFC's reform.
- ensure that global research norms and ethical aspects are followed in international collaborations
- explore the possibilities to cooperate in the field of research on research policy.

## **Participating organizations**

Organizers:

- National Natural Science Foundation of China
- STINT (The Swedish Foundation for International Cooperation in Research and Higher Education)

Funding agencies:

- Academy of Finland
- Swedish Research Council
- The Research Council of Norway
- Vinnova

In addition, representatives from the following institutions participated:

- Innovation Centre Denmark & Consulate General, Shanghai