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ACCELERATING TRANSFORMATION THROUGH AGRICULTURAL INNOVATION
Grants for Research towards Agricultural Innovative Solutions
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**SEARCA GRAINS offers**
- Competitive short-term starter funds
- for collaborative actions aimed at transformative innovations
- towards sustainable agriculture and rural development
- across Southeast Asia

**Grant support**

**Institutional grantees:**
- USD10,000 – USD15,000
  (PHP500,000 – P750,000)

**Individual grantees:**
- USD5,000 – USD10,000
  (PHP 250 – PHP500,000)
Why GRAINS?

SEARCA GRAINS helps inventors, change makers, and agripreneurs turn their ideas into a reality:

✓ It bridges the gap between an idea and a prototype.
✓ It supports
  ➢ Scaling up of a technology or innovation model,
  ➢ Establishment of technology agri-startups, and
  ➢ Community knowledge transfer projects.
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Criteria for Proposal Evaluation:

✓ Significance of output to beneficiary and to industry need; a good definition of a specific problem and your intended solution
✓ Alignment of the project with one or more of SEARCA’s outcomes or impacts
✓ Clear scope of work, activities, and timeline
✓ Capability of the project team to undertake the project
✓ Collaborative in nature
✓ Project Duration: 6-12 months

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SEARCA GRAINS is open to the following applicants interested in implementing on-the-ground innovation projects in Southeast Asia

**INSTITUTIONS**

- Must have a legal entity based in Southeast Asia
- Must own or support startup/research groups with own invention, acquired technology or innovation at Technology Readiness Level* (TRL) 3 or above: from experimental proof of concept to bench scale level
- The lead proponent must be a citizen of a Southeast Asian country
- The institution or its supported startup/research group must be committed to transferring or exploiting the innovation
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INDIVIDUALS

✓ **Researcher** aiming to spinout a company from academic or research institutions
  - Southeast Asian citizenship
  - Student, faculty or researcher affiliated with academic/research institution
  - Inventor or principal investigator with technology/innovation at TRL* 3 or above
  - Affiliated institution committed to transferring and exploiting the technology/innovation via a spin-off, licensing, and other knowledge transfer mechanism

✓ **Entrepreneur or startup founder** aiming to test, validate, or prototype experimental proof of concept
  - Southeast Asian citizenship
  - Founder or co-founder with invention, technology or innovation at TRL 3 or above
  - Applicant’s startup venture has equity funding of less than USD20,000
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TRL3 and above:

- experimental
- proof of concept
- to bench scale level

Source:
https://www.cloudwatchhub.eu/exploitation/brief-refresher-technology-readiness-levels-trl
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