

## **Research Plan (no more than 5 pages)**

Please describe the contents of the research plan incorporating the following points. You may switch the order of items and/or the order of descriptions in each item if necessary.

- Background of the proposed research including the circumstances leading to this research proposal, global research trends related to the proposed research, and the positioning of the research within the relevant domain or field.
- Research objectives and methodologies.
- "Key research questions or issues" at the core of the research plan, and the originality and creativity of the research.
- Details of the applicants' ability to conduct the research, the research environment, and the state of preparation toward implementing the research project.