Request for donations

1. Donation program
Donations to support sustainable resource science research and researcher development to contribute to the SDGs (Abbreviated name: RIKEN CSRS for SDGs, RIKEN CSRS Donations for SDGs)

2. Project utilizing the donations
(1) Project name
Project to support sustainable resource science research and researcher development for contributing to the SDGs.

(2) Purpose
In 2015, the United Nations General Assembly adopted The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), which set 17 goals to be achieved by 2030. In order to solve global issues associated with these goals, the power of science and innovation is essential. At the RIKEN Center for Sustainable Resource Science (CSRS), we are focusing on the following seven goals out of the 17 goals of the SDGs by utilizing our strengths in research and development and researcher training.
   2. Zero hunger
   3. Good health and well-being
   7. Affordable and clean energy
   12. Responsible consumption and production
   13. Climate action
   14. Life below water
   15. Life on land

Through our projects, we have already produced innovative results such as "plant-derived bioplastics that biodegrade in nature," "creation of crops that can grow in harsh environments to withstand climate change," "polymers that can self-heal in various environments," and "manganese catalysts that continue to electrolyze water."

In this project, we will support the research activities of researchers, promote exchanges between domestic and international researchers, and develop researchers by building and providing educational programs for graduate students, and through these efforts, we will establish a world-first academic field of "sustainable resource science".

(3) Project description
i) Representative:
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Director: Saito Kazuki (Ph.D.)
Senior Advisor: Shinozaki Kazuo (D.Sci.)

ii) Project outline:
- Support for sustainable resource science research activities to contribute to the
SDGs
- Support for human resource utilization and development projects of CSRS (promotion of exchange among domestic and international researchers, support for young researchers, etc., educational programs for graduate students, etc.)
- Other activities such as improvement of the research environment and publicity activities.

3. Donation call amount
100 million JPY (8 million JPY in the first FY, 23 million JPY per year after FY 2021)
10,000 JPY per donation unit (We ask for your donation of one or more units)

4. Donation call duration
January 12, 2021 - March 31, 2025

5. Spending plan (guide)
Supplies (reagents, laboratory equipment, electronic and electric parts, etc.) 50 million JPY
Personnel expenses and honorarium (honorarium for lecturers, etc.) 10 million JPY
Travel expenses (overseas travel to attend conferences, transportation to work outside the office to collect information, etc.) 10 million JPY
Other expenses (training, environmental improvement, public relations, etc.) 20 million JPY
*Includes human resource development and training expenses 5 million JPY
General and administrative expenses (10% of the solicited amount) 10 million JPY

6. Call procedures/methods
- Call will be posted on the RIKEN external website:
  https://www.riken.jp/en/about/support/
- Call will be posted on the CSRS website:

7. “RIKEN CSRS Donations for SDGs” Privileges (for those who wish to receive these)
  - Publication of the donor’s name on the Center’s website.
  - Email notifications of events held by the Center.
  - Those who donate more than one unit (10,000 yen) will receive an original greeting card created by the Center.

8. Inquiries
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