THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

Research Grants Council (RGC) General Research Fund (GRF) 2024/25 and Early Career Scheme (ECS) 2024/25

Regular Track / Fast Track for Processing Applications

Office of Research and Knowledge Transfer Services (ORKTS) is offering two review tracks (i.e. Regular Track and Fast Track) for processing the applications in 2024/25 exercise.

GRF applicants who have been awarded two or more GRF/ECS projects in the past three exercises (i.e. 2021/22, 2022/23, 2023/24) are eligible to opt for Fast Track in the current exercise.

Details are as follows:

(A) Regular Track	 To submit applications by the <u>Panels' Deadlines</u>. Applications will be processed as usual, i.e. applications will be reviewed by the ORKTS upon receipt of respective Panels' endorsement. Review comments, if any, will be provided to PIs for consideration and revision in late October. * Kindly note that due to the tight schedule set by the RGC, as well as constraints on resources, each proposal would only be reviewed <u>ONCE</u>.
(B) Fast Track	 Review / checking on the proposals will NOT be conducted, hence, PI will have more time to work on the applications. To submit WebForm by the Panels' Deadlines for selecting Fast Track. To submit finalized applications for Research Panels' endorsement, and ORKTS's follow-up and arrangement of University's Endorsement by 11:59 p.m., 25 October^. * Kindly note that if the proposal contains element that hinders the rendering of University's Endorsement, the application will <u>not</u> be further processed and will not be submitted to RGC. ^ No application will be accepted thereafter.

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