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**SUBJECT:** *Partnerships for International Research and Education (PIRE) NSF11-564*

For the complete NSF program announcement—*Partnerships for International Research and Education*—connect to <http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2011/nsf11564/nsf11564.htm> Please post it and for additional information go to: [http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm\\_summ.jsp?pims\\_id=12819&org=OISE&from=home](http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=12819&org=OISE&from=home) **OISE will host a Webinar on July 28, at 3 pm**, to share PIRE information and answer questions. This webinar will be recorded for later viewing. For details and registration <http://www.tvworldwide.com/events/nsf/110728/>.

The primary goal of PIRE is to support high quality projects in which advances in research and education could not occur without international collaboration. PIRE seeks to catalyze a higher level of international engagement in the U.S. science and engineering community.

This PIRE competition will focus exclusively on the NSF-wide investment area of Science, Engineering, and Education for Sustainability (SEES). The SEES effort focuses on interdisciplinary topics that will advance sustainability science, engineering and education as an integrative approach to the challenges of adapting to environmental, social and cultural changes associated with growth and development of human populations, and attaining a sustainable energy future.

A single organization may submit **one preliminary proposal as the lead institution**. Full proposals will be accepted by invitation only. There is no limit on the number of proposals on which an institution can participate as a partner. Because of this limitation and to also allow enough time for internal review, if necessary, anyone interested in submitting a proposal should **send a project summary of their proposed research project to Elaine Riberich at the Office of Research\*\* by August 22, 2011**.

In case more than the allowed proposals are received, a committee will be convened to determine which one will be endorsed for the **October 19, 2011 required** NSF preliminary proposal deadline. Full proposals are due by **May 15, 2012**.

For a list of additional Programs Limiting the Number of Allowed Institutional Submissions connect to the Office of Research home page: <http://www.pitt.edu/~offres/> and select **Funding Resources**.

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