



## TLSCONTACT VISA APPLICATION CENTRE - CHINA

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#### SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

You wish to go to France for research purposes and will stay longer than 90 days. You must provide a “**Convention d’Accueil**”, which can be obtained by the organization you are visiting in France. Since November 1, 2016, the “Scientific research” talent passport replaces the long stay scientific visa.

**O = Original**

**C = Copy**

**T = Translation**

Comments	Documents	O	C	T
	<p><b>One recent identity photo</b></p> <p>Size 3.5 cm x 4.5 cm, color photo with white background, taken within 6 months and from the front without any head-coverings. Please visit FAQ page for photo requirements.</p> <p>Have a compliant photograph taken directly at the Visa Application Centre! For more information, please visit Added Value Service page.</p>	Y		
	<p><b>Long stay visa application form</b></p> <p>To download the form, please visit Links and Downloads page.</p>	Y		
<b>Mandatory for foreigners</b>	<p><b>Chinese residence permit</b></p> <p>A foreign applicant must hold a residence permit with a period of validity of no less than 6 months or a permanent residence card. Holders of a single-entry or a multi-entries visa are not allowed to apply for any visa except for airport transit visa.</p>	Y	Y	
	<p><b>Convention d’accueil</b></p> <p>This document must be signed and stamped by inviting organization indicating the purpose and duration of stay in France</p>	Y	Y	
	<p><b>Diploma of Master and above</b></p>	Y	Y	
	<p><b>Passport</b></p>	Y	Y	



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	<p>A full national private passport or official travel document valid for at least more than 3 months beyond the validity of the requested visa, with two blank visa pages with the mention “visa” to affix the visa sticker. Should be issued less than 10 years ago. For more information about “Passport Validity” please visit FAQ page.</p> <p>Copies of the first 5 pages of the passport containing information, and all pages that contain visas or stamps.</p>			
	<p><b>Previous passports</b></p> <p>If you are in possession of one or more previous passports, it is mandatory to provide them.</p> <p>Copies of the first 5 pages of every previous passport, and all the pages that contain visas or stamps.</p>	Y	Y	
	<p><b>Letter of authorization for visa application/passport return</b></p> <p>Mandatory if you choose to submit your application by a representative. <a href="#">Download.</a></p> <p><b>Requirements:</b></p> <p><b>1. The signature on the letter of authorization needs to be the same as the one in the applicant’s passport and Visa application form. The form has to be filled out completely. No correction is allowed on the form.</b></p> <p><b>2. The letter can’t be shared and each applicant has to present the original.</b></p> <p><b>3. Minor applicant under the age of 18: The letter of authorization must be signed by one parent or a legal guardian: An adult is authorized to accompany the underage applicant for the submission and enrollment of biometric data (Parents’ ID photocopies should be joined with the authorization letter) Please DO NOT sign the name of the underage applicant.</b></p> <p><b>Please note that:</b></p> <p><b>(1) The authorization letter must be signed by a legal guardian. The representative is not authorized to sign it.</b></p>	Y		



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	<p><b>(2) Personal appearance is not required for children under 12 years old.</b> The age on the date of application submission is taken as reference to determine if an applicant is a minor or not.</p> <p>The authorization is not required, if parents submit the application for their minor-aged children. However, they should provide evidence proving the family relation (such as hukou etc.).</p>			
	<p><b>Representative's ID Card or passport</b></p> <p>Mandatory if you choose to submit your application by a representative.</p>	Y	Y	