



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

In order to ensure equal access and fair treatment for all interested applicants, this document will be regularly updated as questions come in and are answered.

WHY AN INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCED RESEARCHER WOULD APPLY TO THIS CALL FOR APPLICATIONS?

International researchers who want to come to a laboratory for a long stay residency in region Centre-Val de Loire and build sustainable research collaboration with a quality laboratory.

WHO CAN SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THIS CALL FOR APPLICATIONS?

To be eligible, applicant researchers must be national or long-term resident of a country other than France. Long-term residents are researchers who spent a period of full-time research activity of at least 5 consecutive (without breaks in research) years in a country other than France.

In addition applicant researchers must also comply with the following mobility rule: applicants must not have resided or carried out their main activity (work, etc.) in France for more than 12 months in the 3 years immediately prior to the deadline for submission of proposals. Compulsory national service and/or short stays such as holidays are not taken into account.

CAN AN APPLICANT OR AN AWARDED FELLOW NEGOTIATE A SHORTER DURATION OF STAY IN REGION CENTRE-VAL DE LOIRE?

Shorter time duration of the programme awards is not negotiable.

ARE THERE SPECIFIC BEGINNING AND END DATES FOR THE AWARDS OR ARE DATES NEGOTIABLE AS LONG AS THEY OCCUR DURING A SPECIFIED TIME PERIOD?

The Scientific Committee meets in June of each year to recommend awards. LE STUDIUM must receive a signed letter of acceptance of the offer of an award, to an international researcher, within 1 month of it being sent to the candidate. The awarded researcher, laboratory host scientist and LE STUDIUM must negotiate a starting date for the researcher that is within 6 months of the Scientific Committee recommending the award be made.

WOULD THE INTERNATIONAL RESEARCHER HAVE TEACHING RESPONSIBILITIES?

Teaching responsibilities are negotiated with the host laboratory.

DOES THE AWARD INCLUDE RESEARCH EXPENSES FOR THE AWARDEE AND THE LABORATORY TO CONDUCT COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH?

None of LE STUDIUM awards cover the laboratory operating costs of the incoming researcher and the host laboratory.

HOW DOES THE AWARD BENEFIT THE HOST SCIENTIST AND HOST LABORATORY?

All LE STUDIUM awards are considered partnering awards with the incoming researcher, the host scientist, their team and the host laboratory. LE STUDIUM scientific animation is an integral part of the award to the incoming researcher, the host scientist, their team and the host laboratory.

DO THE SIGNATURE PAGES FOR EACH APPLICATION NEED TO HAVE ALL THE SIGNATURES OR CAN SEPARATE PAGES HAVE INDIVIDUAL'S SIGNATURES.

Separate signature pages can be signed by the respective signatories and sent as a pdf to the registered online applicant to upload the pages.

CAN A LE STUDIUM FELLOWSHIP BE EXTENDED BEYOND 12 MONTHS?

To extend a fellowship beyond one year duration, the LE STUDIUM Fellow and the host laboratory scientist must jointly fill in the "Exceptional extension request form", available on request from LE STUDIUM. With a funding contribution by the host laboratory the fellowship may be extended for a maximum of 6 months.

WHAT INFORMATION IS REQUIRED FOR THE QUESTION ABOUT FINANCIAL SUPPORT?

This question enables the host laboratory/scientist to demonstrate the financial capacity to support the laboratory activities of LE STUDIUM Researcher. If there is an a priori understanding between the laboratory and the applicant researcher that a LE STUDIUM award would be extended beyond the period of the award then the host laboratory/scientist can specify the salary contribution that would be available to extend the fellowship.

None of the above information that is provided for Financial Support will diminish the magnitude of the financial support for the salary or accommodation support of a LE STUDIUM award.