

Agropolis Fondation - Fondazione Cariplo 2012 Joint Call for Proposals (CfP)  
**"French-Italian Rice Science and Technology (FIRST) Initiative"**  
 [Ref. CfP 2012-01]

**Funding Categories**  
 (Fellowship Programmes, Grants and various Support Awards)

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Table 1: FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME

<b>Fellowship Category</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Profile of eligible candidate</b>	<b>Specific eligibility criteria</b>	<b>Specific evaluation criteria</b>	<b>Counterparts from the units</b>	<b>Level of financial support</b>
<b>Senior Fellowship</b>  12 to 48 months	Implementation and development and of an integrated and multidisciplinary project  To establish or reinforce international and strategic scientific partnerships  <i>Candidates from or having worked in developing or emerging, Southern or Mediterranean countries are encouraged</i>	Senior outstanding scientist (PhD + 10 years or more experience)  Candidates should not have resided or carried out their main activity (work, studies, etc) in France for more than 12 months in the 3 years immediately prior to the date of submission of the proposal*	Involves the various scientific domains being addressed by the Foundation <sup>1</sup>  Involves at least two research units from two different domains  Final proposal submitted <i>jointly</i> by the Senior Fellow candidate and the concerned research unit  Proposal must include the CV of the candidate	Scientific excellence of the candidate  Quality and international visibility of proposed project  Quality of international partnership  Quality of the technical facilities and resources placed at the disposal of the project by the units concerned  Issues being addressed and potential socio-economic impacts of the project	Involvement of the unit in terms of supervision  Office space and equipment  Access to scientific equipment and software  A technician (if necessary)  Operating costs  <i>Upon evaluation after 6 months:</i> Counterparts from the units to be complemented with 1 doctoral grant, supplementary office space and facilities, resources and experimental sites	<b>Max. 270k€/year</b> , including salary and social security contributions (max 150k€ gross salary/year), travel expenses, mobility allowance and operating costs (max 30 k€/year)  <i>Upon evaluation after 6 months:</i> Funding support to be complemented with 1 doctoral grant and 1 post-doc grant, and 30K€ additional operational costs  <b>Total Annual Support after 6 months: Max. 450k€/year</b>

<sup>1</sup> The Foundation's network focuses on 5 scientific themes: genetics and genomics, plant improvement, ecophysiology; plant pests and diseases, integrated crop protection, population ecology; agri-environmental innovations; agrifood innovations; social innovations and the social management of innovations.

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<b>Junior Fellowship</b>  12 to 36 months	<p>To be involved in the launching of a new project in one of the Foundation's thematic area</p> <p>To establish or reinforce international and strategic scientific partnerships</p> <p><i>Candidates from or having worked in developing or emerging, Southern or Mediterranean countries are encouraged</i></p>	<p>Outstanding scientist (PhD + 3 to 10 years experience)</p> <p>Candidates should not have resided or carried out their main activity (work, studies, etc) in France for more than 12 months in the 3 years immediately prior to the date of submission of the proposal*</p>	<p>Proposal must include the CV of the Fellow candidate.</p> <p><i>However, Concept Note may be submitted without CV if the candidate could not be identified at the time of application. In this case, proponents will have to propose a process for the identification of candidate(s) e.g., Call for Candidates. Should this CN be selected, the selection of the candidate will be subject to evaluation of his/her CV by the foundation</i></p>	<p>Scientific excellence of the candidate</p> <p>Quality and international visibility of proposed project</p> <p>Quality of international partnership</p> <p>Quality of the technical facilities and resources placed at the disposal of the project by the units concerned</p> <p>Issues being addressed and potential socio-economic impacts of the project</p>	<p>Involvement of the unit in terms of supervision</p> <p>Office space and equipment</p> <p>Access to scientific equipment and software</p> <p>A technician (if necessary)</p> <p>Operating costs</p>	<p><b>Max. 150k€/year</b>, including salary and social security contributions (max gross salary 90k€/year), travel expenses, mobility allowance and operating costs (max 20k€/year)</p>
<b>Post-doc Fellowship</b>  From 6 to 36 months	<p>Hosting of a post-doc scientist in order to launch new projects in one of the Foundation's thematic area</p> <p>To reinforce international and strategic scientific partnerships</p> <p><i>Candidates from or having worked in developing or emerging, Southern or Mediterranean countries are encouraged</i></p>	<p>Post-doc scientists should have obtained their PhD less than 3 years before the submission date</p> <p>Candidates should not have resided or carried out their main activity (work, studies, etc) in France for more than 12 months in the 3 years immediately prior to the date of submission of the proposal*</p>	<p>Proposal must include the CV of the Post-doc candidate</p> <p><i>However, Concept Note may be submitted without CV if the candidate could not be identified at the time of application. In this case, proponents will have to propose a process for the identification of candidate(s) e.g., Call for Candidates. Should this CN be selected, the selection of the candidate will be subject to evaluation of his/her CV by the foundation</i></p>	<p>Scientific excellence of the candidate</p> <p>Quality and international visibility of proposed project</p> <p>Quality of international partnership</p> <p>Quality of the technical facilities and resources placed at the disposal of the project by the units concerned</p> <p>Issues being addressed and potential socio-economic impacts of the project</p>	<p>Involvement of the unit in terms of supervision</p> <p>Office space and equipment</p> <p>Operating costs</p>	<p><b>Max. 90k€/year</b> including salary and social security contributions (max gross salary 60k€/year) and operating costs, travel expenses and mobility allowance</p>
<b>Doctoral Fellowship</b>  From 6 to 36 months	<p>Hosting of a doctoral scientist in order to support the development and/or launching of new projects in one of the Foundation's thematic areas</p> <p>To reinforce international and strategic scientific partnerships</p> <p><i>Candidates from or having worked in developing or emerging, Southern or Mediterranean countries are encouraged</i></p>	<p>Doctoral scientist</p> <p>Candidates should not have resided or carried out their main activity (work, studies, etc) in France for more than 12 months in the 3 years immediately prior to the date of submission of the proposal*</p>	<p>Identification of candidate is not compulsory at the date of submission and selection of the proposal</p> <p><i>However, the CV must be sent to the foundation for validation prior to recruitment.</i></p>	<p>Scientific excellence of the candidate</p> <p>Quality and international visibility of proposed project</p> <p>Quality of international partnership</p> <p>Quality of the technical facilities and biological resources placed at the disposal of the project by the units concerned</p> <p>Issues being addressed and potential socio-economic impacts of the project</p>	<p>Involvement of the unit in terms of supervision</p> <p>Office space and equipment</p> <p>Operating costs</p>	<p><b>Max. 60k€/year</b> including salary and social security contributions (max gross salary 40k€/year) and operating costs, travel expenses and mobility allowance</p>

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<b>Visiting Fellowship</b>  Less than 12 months	Hosting of a Senior or Junior scientist for a short period (less than 12 months)  <i>Candidates from or having worked in developing or emerging, Southern or Mediterranean countries are encouraged</i>	Outstanding scientist: Senior Scientist: PhD + minimum of 10 years experience Junior Scientist: PhD + minimum of 3 years experience  Candidates should not have resided or carried out their main activity (work, studies, etc) in France for more than 12 months in the 3 years immediately prior to the date of submission of the proposal*	Proposal must include the CV of the candidate	Scientific excellence of the candidate  Quality and international visibility of proposed project  Quality of international partnership  Quality of the technical facilities and resources placed at the disposal of the project by the units concerned  Issues being addressed and potential socio-economic impacts of the project	Involvement of the unit in terms of supervision  Office space and equipment  Operating costs	<b>Max. 50k€</b>

Table 2: GRANTS and SUPPORT AWARDS

<b>Support Category</b>	<b>Description/ Purpose</b>	<b>Specific eligibility criteria</b>	<b>Specific evaluation criteria</b>	<b>Counterparts from the units</b>	<b>Level of financial support</b>
<b>Grants for Scientific Platform(s)</b>  2-stage evaluation process	Organization of new platforms  Reinforcement, integration, networking of existing platforms	Opening up of the platform to foreign partners  Resources and products to be made freely available with non exclusive access	Complementarity and coherence with respect to local and national programmes  Scientific quality, originality, innovativeness, feasibility  Openness and capacity to host and support foreign partners  Fostering strong linkages  International attractiveness and visibility  Relevance to socio-economic and sustainable development issues  Added-value	Human, financial and technical counterparts of the units involved to support the project	<b>Max. 500k€</b>
<b>Support for education- and training-oriented initiatives</b>	Training courses organized in one or several sessions	Involves international participants Significant number of targeted participants are from developing or emerging, southern or Mediterranean countries  Training courses/seminars are to be given by scientists from any of the Foundation's research units and/or renowned foreign lecturers/guests	Strategic importance and relevance of proposed event  International attractiveness and visibility of proposed event  Quality of international partnerships	Human, financial and technical resources mobilised by the organising unit and the partners	<b>Max. 80k€</b>
<b>Small Grants</b>	Support for the organisation of high-level scientific events (conferences, seminars, workshops, etc.)		Scientific excellence (of the proposal and of the team submitting it)  International attractiveness and visibility  Potential partnership impacts  Strategic importance and relevance	Human, financial and technical counterparts of the units involved to support the project	<b>Max. 20k€</b>
	Support to prepare applications for national or international Calls for proposals (e.g. ANR and EU FPs)		Scientific excellence (of the proposal and of the team submitting it)  International attractiveness and visibility  Potential partnership impacts  Strategic importance and relevance	Human, financial and technical counterparts of the units involved to support the project	<b>Max. 20k€</b>
	Overseas Travel Grant for Doctoral students, Post-docs and for scientists of the network	Involves at least one partner team abroad  Proposal must include the CV of the candidate(s)	Scientific excellence of the candidate  Potential partnership impacts  Federative dimension: the 'crossing' of fields and laboratories, joint supervision	Involvement of the units in terms of management time	<b>Max. 20k€</b>
	"Release from teaching duties" with a view to contribute in attaining the Foundation's objectives	For professors and teacher-researchers working with the Foundation's research units	Scientific excellence (of the proposal and of the team submitting it)  International attractiveness and visibility  Potential partnership impacts  Strategic importance and relevance	Human, financial and technical counterparts of the units involved to support the project	<b>Max. 20k€</b>

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<b>Small Grants (Ctd)</b>	Support for publication and dissemination of results of research or training		Scientific excellence (of the proposal and of the team submitting it) International attractiveness and visibility Potential partnership impacts Strategic importance and relevance	Human, financial and technical counterparts of the units involved to support the project	<b>Max. 20k€</b>
	Support for small exploratory, risky and innovative projects ("proof of concept", "new frontier research", etc. )		Scientific excellence (of the proposal and of the team submitting it) International attractiveness and visibility Potential partnership impacts Strategic importance and relevance	Human, financial and technical counterparts of the units involved to support the project	<b>Max. 30k€</b>
	Support to pre-doctoral students		Scientific excellence International attractiveness and visibility Potential partnership impacts Strategic importance and relevance	Human, financial and technical counterparts of the units involved to support the project	<b>Max. 10 k€</b>

\* Exceptions can be made to this rule in case of:

- Impossibility of selecting a candidate with the suitable scientific background; this derogation will be granted by the Foundation on an exceptional basis and based on supporting documents provided by the project leader;
- Projects co-funded by the Foundation's partners.