



Call for proposals for funding of short stays (14 days to 5 months) for foreign researchers

Launched by France's President Emmanuel Macron, the Make Our Planet Great Again initiative has met with worldwide enthusiasm, generating expressions of interest from a large number of highly qualified students and researchers.

Within the framework of the initiative, France's ministries of Europe and foreign affairs (MEAE) and of higher education, research, and innovation (MESRI) have implemented a program to support short stays in French research institutions for foreign scientists seeking to do research on a topic related to earth systems, climate change and sustainability, or the energy transition. Under the program, approximately 40 individuals will receive funding for short research stays between the months of August and December 2018.

The program is managed by Campus France. Researchers wishing to be considered for support are invited to apply online at <http://makeourplanetgreatagain.campusfrance.org>.

Who may apply?

Foreign research scientists are encouraged to respond to this call for proposals. Candidates must include with their application a letter from a host institution in France.

Research themes

Three broad research themes are prioritized: earth systems, climate change and sustainability, and the energy transition. A complete list of eligible themes can be found at <https://www.campusfrance.org/en/priority-research-topics>

Eligibility

Candidates must possess or be working toward a doctoral degree and must be covered by an active research agreement or contract. They must not be French nationals, and must not have resided in France after April 1, 2016. Candidates may be of any age. The proposed period of research in France must not exceed five months and must take place between August 1 and December 31, 2018.

Financing

Successful candidates will receive mobility support in the amount of €65 per day for doctoral candidates and €120 per day for research scientists already holding a doctorate. The maximum mobility period is five months. Roundtrip airfare and medical insurance are also provided.

Selection process

Consistent with the aims and requirements of this call for proposals, the selection process will unfold in two phases. In the first phase, scientific experts in the covered fields will evaluate the applications received. In the second phase, an international jury will make the final selection of the candidates to be supported.

Application process

Candidates must submit their research proposals online at <http://makeourplanetgreatagain.campusfrance.org>. Candidates must also supply an invitation letter from a host institution in France.

Timeline

Week of February 26, 2018: Pre-launch phase of application process



March 12, 2018: Application period opens
April 6, 2018 at 23:59 CET: Application period ends
Week of June 18, 2018: Announcement of results
Beginning August 1, 2018: Supported researchers arrive at host institutions



A complete list of research themes and other useful information is available at <http://makeourplanetgreatagain.campusfrance.org>.

Have a question?

For a personal response, write us at mopga@campusfrance.org. We will do our best to answer your question promptly.

Want to be kept informed of calls for proposals under the Make Our Planet Great Again initiative?

If you would like to be included on our e-mail list, send a message to infomopga@campusfrance.org. Your e-mail address will be automatically added to our distribution list.

