CALL FOR PROJECTS 2019



SMART LOIRE VALLEY PROGRAMME

6 NOVEMBER 2018 TO
7 FEBRUARY 2019

LE STUDIUM
Loire Valley
Institute for Advanced Studies

LE STUDIUM

Founded in 1996, LE STUDIUM Loire Valley Institute for Advanced Studies aims to facilitate international exchange among public and private laboratories in the region Centre-Val de Loire, France, to increase research capacity, enhance scientific excellence and to promote mobility and career development of researchers.



Origin of LE STUDIUM research fellows in region Centre-Val de Loire since 1996

To this end, through an annual call for projects LE STUDIUM finances:

- Postdoctoral fellowships to attract experienced international researchers to the region;
- International scientific networking.

In parallel, LE STUDIUM organizes and coordinates numerous scientific events promoting interactions between regional and international scientific communities and transdisciplinary exchanges.



LE SMART LOIRE VALLEY PROGRAMME *

FELLOWSHIPS FOR EXPERIENCED INTERNATIONAL RESEARCHERS

FELLOWSHIP *	12-month and a full time residence in a laboratory of the Centre-Val de Loire region.
PROFESSORSHIP	12-month fellowships (3 months each year over 4 years) for internationally renowned professors to conduct research in a laboratory of the Centre-Val de Loire region and/or to teach.
VISITING RESEARCHER	Housing support to a non-paid scientific residency from 3 to 12 months and integration into the scientific community.

** The SMART LOIRE VALLEY Fellowships Programme receives H2020 co-funding from the European Union for research and innovation as part of the Marie Sklodowska-Curie, contract n°665790.*

€ Awards

The Fellowships and Professorships awards fund the researchers' salary and include a fully furnished accommodation and resources to organise an international scientific event. LE STUDIUM supports all the administrative procedures for arrivals and the scientific animation related to the research project.
For Visiting Researchers the award covers the fully furnished accommodation and the administrative support.

i Eligibility

This programme is open to all experienced international researchers in all research disciplines. Candidates must have at least 5 years of postdoctoral experience, having lived and worked as a researcher continuously for at least 5 years outside France and meet the EU rules of international mobility.

INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC NETWORKING

CONSORTIUM	A team of five scientists - four international and one regional - gathers to workshop a research project with specific scientific goals and expected related outcomes. This programme aims at creating new academic and industrial international networks and to support the emergence of new international projects.

€ Award

The award funds all the logistics and costs of one-week meeting every 6 months for 2 years in the Centre-Val de Loire region for the partners of the consortium.

i Eligibility

All established researchers in the Centre-Val de Loire region and past LE STUDIUM Fellows in coordination with one regional laboratory are eligible to apply as the coordinator of a Consortium.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Applications received under the call for proposals are evaluated according to three main criteria:



- **Scientific quality of the research project:** clarity of assumptions and scientific objectives, methodology and feasibility of the research project.
- **Significance and innovation:** potential to overshoot the State of the Art, impact of the results in the concerned thematic area.
- **Experience of the candidate:** candidate's ability to complete the proposed research project (Fellowship / Professorship) or to coordinate the networking action group (Consortium).

After all, science is essentially international, and it is only through lack of the historical sense that national qualities have been attributed to it.



Marie Skłodowska-Curie,
Nobel Prize winning Polish-French scientist renowned for her work on radioactivity

SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS

The call for projects for the Campaign 2019 is open from November 6, 2018 to February 7, 2019. The submission of applications is done online on the website of LE STUDIUM: www.lestudium-ias.com

CALL FOR PROJECTS CALENDAR

6 NOVEMBER 2018
Launch of the Campaign 2019
www.lestudium-ias.com

7 FEBRUARY 2019
Closing date of the call for projects
(5pm CET)

FEBRUARY - JUNE 2019
- Administrative review of applications by LE STUDIUM
- Assessment by independent international experts
- Meeting of LE STUDIUM Scientific Council

JULY 2019
- Official notification of candidates
- Publication of the call for projects' results

SEPTEMBER 2019 - JUNE 2020
Arrival of Research Fellows and
launch of Consortium projects



INFORMATION AND CONTACT

Guidelines are available a few days before the launch of the call for projects on LE STUDIUM website:
www.lestudium-ias.com

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