I-LINK+ PROGRAMME

PROGRAMME FOR THE PROMOTION OF SCIENTIFIC INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION OF CSIC WITH FOREIGN INSTITUTIONS

2017 Call for proposals

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AIM:
This programme aims to stimulate new collaborations between CSIC research groups and leading research groups from international institutions, without any geographical or thematic restrictions, always with the final objective of creating scientifically excellent, highly competitive consortia for the participation in international calls of R&D projects, or the promotion of technology transfer from CSIC to companies, mainly international firms.

This i-LINK+ call will fund at least 20 proposals, each with a maximum financial support of 20,000 €, to cover meetings and joint workshops of the participating members and to cover the expenses of scientific exchanges for training or research purposes from 1/1/2018 until 31/12/2019. Only new collaborations between CSIC and Foreign Teams are eligible (without prior participation in joint collaborative projects or joint publications).

This call encourages applications: i) involving leading groups from highly ranked universities, R&D institutions or technological centers, ii) including partners from the entrepreneur world (mainly international companies) and iii) co-funded by the foreign institution.

A maximum of two proposals involving teams from the following institutions will be prioritized:
- CNRS, from French Republic
- CAS, from Czech Republic
- MOST, from Taiwan

ELEGIBILITY CRITERIA:
1.- The consortia must include at least one research team from CSIC and one from a foreign Institution. Applications must be submitted necessarily by a researcher from CSIC, who will be the project coordinator. Each participating team should have sufficient funds and adequate facilities to conduct the proposed research activities.
2.- The foreign research team can belong to universities, research institutions or technological centers. Financial support coming from the foreign team will be an asset. Moreover, partners from the entrepreneur world are welcomed but are not eligible for funding.
3.- All participating members should be officially linked to their respective Institutions during project submission, and should maintain this status for the duration of the proposed activities.

ELEGIBLE COSTS:
1.- Travel costs and daily allowance costs to cover the visits of the CSIC team members to the foreign institutions
2.- Daily allowance costs to cover the visits of foreign teams to CSIC facilities.
3.- Companies are not eligible for funding and should participate in this call with their own funds.
4.- The budget of the proposal must be consistent with the work plan and will be justified according to the activities to be carried out.

PERIOD OF SUBMISSION: from 12th June until 12th July (on-line application will close 00:00h)

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