

Direction du Développement / Grant Office (DDGO)
Service des Partenariats et Programmes Incitatifs (SPPI)

ACTIONS CONCERTÉES INTERNATIONALES PASTEURIENNES (ACIP)

Call for proposals 2016 Institut Pasteur International Network

GUIDELINES

OBJECTIVES

The main objective of ACIP is to encourage the development of new collaborations between the 33 institutes of the Institut Pasteur International Network (IPIN) in the field of research related to public health. IPIN includes the Institut Pasteur (Paris).

The research project must be innovative and aimed at **producing preliminary results enabling the evaluation of the initial scientific hypothesis**. In a second step it will lead to a **more important project to be submitted to local, national and international funding agencies** such as PTR, ANR, Europe, Gates, Wellcome Trust...among others.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- The proposal requires the collaboration of **a minimum of three institutes** from the institutes within IPIN.
- The proposal is open to all researchers but the proposal seeks to promote the participation of young researchers. Therefore the researchers with no more than ten years of experience after completion of PhD are encouraged to coordinate an ACIP project. The project coordinator should be based in an institute of IPIN and should be responsible for the chairing, the follow-up and the execution of the project at scientific and administrative levels.
- The proposal budget cannot exceed €50,000 and the budgetary criteria must be respected.
- The signatures in the Annex III are mandatory

BUDGET - DURATION

- **Budget:** €20,000 to €50,000
- **The maximum duration of an ACIP is 18 months. On the completion of the period of 18 months the extension of the period shall be granted only for the limited purpose to complete the project. However, no additional funds shall be payable for any reason whatsoever.**

- The granted budget will be in accordance with the type of the project proposal (see objectives) and should be detailed and justified accordingly (see annex).

The budget includes:

- Missions (Coordination meetings, training and fields missions)
- Running costs
- The ACIP funding can be used for small equipment of less than Euros 800 per unit and for a maximum sum of Euros 2,000 per project and cannot be used for the purchase of any other equipment or purchase of computers.
- The ACIP funding cannot be used for personnel costs, except for field mission costs (e.g. supervision of sampling or the sampling itself).
- **No overhead expenses are permitted.**
- The participation of external academic partners having their own financing is encouraged. Partial financing on a case-by-case basis of the external academic partner may be considered, specifically/exclusively for travel supports aimed at preparing and coordinating the project.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

Each project will be evaluated by international experts in the field and selected by an evaluation committee composed of members of the Direction (Development service/ Grant office & International Affairs Division) and Scientific Board, directors of the Institut Pasteur scientific Department and directors of IPIN and other experts from the Institut Pasteur (Paris) campus.

The proposals will be selected on the following criteria:

- integration in the development strategy of the institutes involved in the project
- potential ability to evolve towards a more important project and funding
- scientific relevance in terms of advancement in relation with the current state of the art
- proposed methodology to answer the initial scientific hypothesis (quality of the project elaboration and coordination, scientific feasibility, choice of methodology and techniques, role of the different partners, complementarity timetable) over a 18 months period
- scientific prospects and competitiveness at international level

BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH

If the proposed work involves samples of human origin or other biomedical investigations involving humans (patients or healthy donors), the coordinator or one of the partners of the ACIP should inform the Department in charge of medical affairs (ClinCore-CRT@pasteur.fr) in Institut Pasteur (Paris) and/or the Ethical Committees in concerned countries in order to be in accordance with the regulatory procedures. No project can start without clearance on that issue. The partners of the ACIP shall also comply with all relevant laws & regulations applicable to the concerned institute.

FINAL REPORTS

- A scientific and financial report will have to be addressed to the Service des Partenariats et des Programmes Incitatifs (SPPI) and to the International Affairs Division at the end of the project and should include the list of publications (submitted and in preparation) and oral presentations.

Publications and oral presentations should mention the financial support of the ACIP program – DDGO / International Affairs Division– Institut Pasteur in the following manner: *This work was supported by an ACIP grant from the Institut Pasteur (Paris).*

Any team leader who has been granted an ACIP under the present call for proposals and fails to submit a final report in the required deadlines will not be eligible for a period of two years under the ACIP call for proposals for submission of applications.

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

Proposals must be written in English (Font "Times New Roman", size: 11) with a maximum of 12 pages excluding annexes. All information contained in the proposal shall be considered confidential.

Application file includes:

- Completed scientific form with annexes I, II, III and IV
- Financial Form_ACIP 2016: Excel table

These documents must be sent by email (PDF attachment) to the email address sppi@pasteur.fr.

SUBMISSION DATE AND TIME

- Call for applications: December, 18th 2015
- **Deadline for submission: March 7th, 2016**
- Project evaluation: July 2016
- Starting date: October 1st, 2016

After receipt of the project proposal, the SPPI will send an acknowledgement of receipt to the e-mail address of the coordinator and an ACIP number will be attributed to your proposal.

For any question about this call, please contact sppi@pasteur.fr

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