

Labex Bio-Psy Last Call for large Collaborative Projects 2016

Goal

The present call has two main objectives:

- To boost projects of Bio-Psy teams in their strongest research areas and help them to achieve breakthroughs, by providing additional funding and strengthening collaborations and common efforts within Bio-Psy priorities.
- To further develop and reinforce ties between basic scientists and clinicians working in psychiatric research.

Eligibility

- Applications must involve at least three Bio-Psy members (including members of the Fondamental Network of "Expert Centers"), preferably located on different campuses.
 Whenever possible, larger regrouping of teams is strongly recommended. In all cases, the project coordinator must be a Bio-Psy participant. Participation of other groups is possible if fully justified to achieve success of the project.
- A **prior expression of intention*** during the 2016 Bio-Psy/Expert Centers meeting (to be held on May, 4th 2016) will be necessary, to be eligible for this call.
- Projects should focus on one of the themes defined in Bio-Psy's strategic priorities, see https://biopsy.fr/fr/recherche/axes-strategiques.
- Proposals can be a continuation of previously financed projects, however evidence of data obtained during the initial funding period and added value of proposed continuation will be requested.

*Interested individual groups with no identified potential partners for a collaborative proposal at the time of the meeting will be able to present their proposed projects in order to find such partners.

Budget request

- The funding will support 3-year projects, ending in September 2019 at the latest.
- Budgets can cover running costs, equipment acquisition and/or salaries of personnel (e.g., post-docs, "ARC" or technicians, within the limit of two recruitments per project), according to the following rules:
 - Amount requested indicated without taxes.
 - Personnel costs including all charges (complete cost).
 - Hiring contracts not longer than the duration of the project (ending 30 September 2019)**.
 - Equipment requests justified by valid quotes.
 - The following costs will not be considered: equipment maintenance contracts other than equipment bought with Bio-Psy support within the call, scientific meeting organization and subscription to journals or membership to learned societies.

- A Bio-Psy partner group may participate in several applications, but can coordinate only one project.
- In all cases, only one project will be funded per partner group within this call.
- If the project can be/is already funded by other sources, the proponents should justify why and how Bio-Psy support will complement the others and boost the project.

**Hiring Contracts will be established by the UPMC, according to the following rules: no "CDD" for more than 3 years (SAIC decree n°2002-1347), no post-doctoral contract if the candidate was a PhD student in the same lab. In specific instances, project leaders may choose to have the personnel hired by partner institutions, however the dedicated budget will remain as originally attributed, with if necessary, a change in the duration of the contract.

Evaluation criteria

- Established scientific excellence of the participants in relation with the project topic;
- Scope and ambition of the project, potential for important breakthrough;
- Partner teams complementarity and added value of the collaboration;
- Proposed use of Bio-Psy common equipment;
- Project feasibility:
- Justification of the chosen approach and of the budget

Application procedure

Projects, written in English (use the specific application form), should be submitted no later than June1st 2016, in pdf format and by e-mail to:

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For questions, call (or e-mail):

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Note: This call is not intended to support "proof of concept" projects or projects that test new or "risky" hypotheses. Applicants should base their proposals on their existing competence and know-how and aim to gather momentum in order to establish the Labex added value in the field.