Belmont Forum Collaborative Research Action on "Scenarios of Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services - 2014"

National Annex: FAPESP - STATE OF SÃO PAULO, BRAZIL

RESEARCHERS MUST FOLLOW THE MAIN CALL FOR PROPOSALS FOR DETAILS REGARDING APPLICATION, FUNDING, SELECTION CRITERIA, PROPOSAL PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION at: http://igfagcr.org/cra-2014-scenarios-of-biodiversity-and-ecosystem-services

1. Introduction

This call for proposals encourages the formation of new international networks as one to two-year projects. The objective is to stimulate the formation of international networks of scientists and the advancement of the inter- and trans-disciplinary methodologies of scenario-building needed to enhance usefulness of biodiversity scenarios in decision-making.

The announcement for the researchers from State of São Paulo is published at FAPESP website at www.fapesp.br/belmontforum.

2. Partners

This call is supported by Belmont Forum selected countries including FAPESP (São Paulo Research Foundation) for the participation of researchers in the State of São Paulo, Brazil.

3. Scientific research theme

Scenarios of Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services.

For detailed description of the fundamental research topics please consult the IGFA/BELMONT FORUM IOF web pages at:

http://igfagcr.org/cra-2014-scenarios-of-biodiversity-and-ecosystem-services#objectives

4. Funding

- 4.1. This call offers opportunities for projects for the formation of new international networks with duration of 12 to 24 months to be selected with a one-step procedure (Full Proposal).
- 4.2. Funding should support researchers to cooperate in consortia consisting of partners from at least three of the participating countries.
- 4.3. Depending on all conditions of eligibility and peer review being met, the budget earmarked by FAPESP for this Call will be equivalent of up to €500,000.00 (five hundred thousand euros).
- 4.4. It is expected that applications to this call will be Collaborative Research Grants with the consortium composition as defined in the call document and FAPESP will fund the São Paulo, Brazil partner of any successful trans-national collaboration.

5. Dates

Closing date for submission	2nd July 2014
Starting date of the projects	Between December 2014 and March 2015

6. General Guidelines for the State of São Paulo Researchers:

- 6.1. FAPESP will fund only the State of São Paulo (Brazil) partner of any successful transnational collaboration.
- 6.2. No submissions should be made directly to FAPESP at the closing dates mentioned above. Only the lead principal investigator of each consortium will submit the joint proposal according to the guidelines at: http://igfagcr.org/cra-2014-scenarios-ofbiodiversity-and-ecosystem-services-further-information-and-guidelines
- 6.3. After the submission phase of the Full Proposals, the Principal Investigator from the state of São Paulo of a project consortium will be individually contacted for further instructions on how to submit the due documentation to FAPESP.
- 6.4. Proposals will be processed as Regular Research Awards (www.fapesp.br/137).
- 6.5. Exceptionally for this Call for Proposals, researchers that are already in receipt of an ongoing Regular Research Award from FAPESP are eligible to submit proposals.
- 6.6. All other eligibility rules and conditions (such as fundable items, etc.) of the Regular Research Award, except as mentioned above, will apply.
- 6.7. Budgets must include the corresponding Additional Benefits and Overheads.
- 6.8. It is anticipated that all partners involved in the project, should it be funded, will travel to one end-of-term Belmont Forum Programme Meeting. A provisional funding request of up to €2.000 (two thousand euros) per partner Agency per meeting, should be included in the funding plan and should be within the current financial limits of the funding plan since the Call will be supporting these activities within its current funding envelope.
- 6.9. FAPESP has the ultimate responsibility for decisions of funding recommendations for the selected proposals, which will confirm any budgetary constraints on submitted projects prior to a final decision on an award being made by the review process as described by the Call for Proposals on BELMONT FORUM official web site.

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