

Call for applications for postdoctoral fellowships

Embassy of France in the Arab Republic of Egypt Science, Technology, and Innovation Funding Authority (STDF)

The Embassy of France – French institute of Egypt (IFE) in cooperation with the STDF offers co-financed fellowships for Egyptian researchers who wish to spend 6 months in a French laboratory.

The fellowship is around 1700€ per month and covers flight tickets, insurance and living costs in France.

Eligibility criteria:

- Holder of the Egyptian nationality
- Holder of a doctorate degree
- Not more than 45 years old at the time of the call's deadline
- French or English speaking, with a level meeting the requirements of the project
- Not previously benefited from another travel grant to France from the Egyptian government
- Not involved in another ongoing project funded by the French Government
- The project must be included in the list of eligible fields

Eligible fields for application:

Health and medical research (only research purpose is accepted)

Earth and space science

Energy

Agriculture

Physics

Chemistry

Biology

Mathematics

Engineering science

Information and Communication Technology

Political science

Biotechnology

Nanotechnology

Application procedure:

Creating an account online, filling the required information, and uploading **one application file**, which consists of the following documents:

- Application form signed and stamped by the institution of origin specifying the duration of the stay
- Recent CV in English for both the applicant and the host researcher (1 page each)
 - A list of publications and of conferences attended should be added to each CV separately
- Invitation letter from the head of the French laboratory specifying the dates of stay

- Research project in English, including:
 - o Abstract in English and Arabic (one page maximum each)
 - o Project objectives and benefits expected of the stay in France for the candidate/project (one page maximum)
 - o Research approach, methodology and time schedule (five pages maximum)
 - o Expected project outcomes and impact (one page maximum)
 - o Key references (one page maximum)
- Recent recommendation letter in English
- Valid Passport copy
- PhD degree certificate
- Endorsement letter signed and stamped by the legal representative of the institution stating:
 - o The project title,
 - o The name, position and affiliation of the applicant,
 - o That the project's idea was not funded or submitted to another STDF program, another agency (national or international), or otherwise declare,
 - o That the applicant was not previously granted a post doc travel grant to France,
 - o That the institution approves the project.
- Signed terms and conditions

All incomplete applications will be considered ineligible and rejected.

Timetable:

Launching date of the call: 4th of March 2021

Deadline for application: March 30, 2021

Evaluation process: April - September 2021

Results announcement: December 2021

Departure: Between January and June 2022

Note that departure is dependent upon approval of the Egyptian government, confirmation by the hosting researcher in France, procurement of the visa and the possibility of travelling at all given the global sanitary crisis (as well as any additional administrative steps entailed by said crisis).

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