

*Call for applications for the*  
**UCA<sup>J.E.D.I.</sup> Advanced Research Program**  
**2023 External campaign**

As part of its **Advanced Research Program**, Université Côte d'Azur is launching its 5<sup>th</sup> call for applications from researchers, faculty and artists coming from outside Université Côte d'Azur site for excellence research chairs aimed at supporting original and very high-level disciplinary research in all scientific and artistic fields represented at Université Côte d'Azur.

**Who is this for?**

This call is offered to **external active lecturers and researchers**, having at least the status of *maître de conférences* or *chargé de recherche* (tenure-track faculty or researcher, or equivalent), **as well as artists** on the basis of a research project in art and creation. Post-doctoral fellows and professors emeriti are therefore **not** eligible to apply. Also excluded are artist residencies whose objective would be an artistic production that is not strongly linked to a research project.

The grants of the Advanced Research Program are intended for external researchers, lecturers and artists who wish to collaborate with groups at Université Côte d'Azur. The objective is to invite in laboratories and groups of Université Côte d'Azur, and for a moderately long period (6 to 24 months), researchers and artists of a very high level, whose presence will promote our site and whose interactions with our teams will strengthen our research and creativity potential and significantly increase the reputation and visibility of Université Côte d'Azur, especially through the establishment of ambitious international collaborations. The successful chair is expected to conduct high quality research activities that lead to high impact publications or exhibitions. The stay would also help to prepare for future recruitment at Université Cote d'Azur.

Interested candidates should first get in touch with a research laboratory or a group from Université Côte d'Azur. Together, the candidate and the local host will come up with an original research program and submit the application through our dedicated platform Nuxéo.

For questions related to the program, research activities and labs, or potential hosts at Université Côte d'Azur, kindly send an email to: [Maud.DESFACHELLE@univ-cotedazur.fr](mailto:Maud.DESFACHELLE@univ-cotedazur.fr)

### What is the nature of the grant?

- Net monthly salary between 3,500€ and 5,500€ (after deduction of social and employer contributions, but before tax on revenue, if applicable)
  - The salary will be adjusted on a case-by-case basis, depending on the experience of the guest
  - The guest will also benefit of the accommodation facilities typically offered by IdEx UCA<sup>J.E.D.I.</sup> : [Welcome Center](#), Faculty Club (temporary housing with one month free of charge), assistance in schooling of children in international classes, etc.
  - In exchange, the successful chair undertakes to give seminars and/or courses and to use Université Côte d'Azur in his/her signature for any scientific work carried out as part of the chair
- Operating expenses: 800 €/month
- Duration: the duration of the chair will be between 6 and 24 months

### Application procedures:

The application process will be carried out in two stages:

1. Submission, by the candidate or by the person who invites him/her, of a file on the Nuxéo platform : [Advanced Research Program – external - 2023](#) , in the form of a single file in PDF format, containing the documents listed in Appendix 1. This step will result in an initial selection and the establishment of a list of pre-selected candidates.
2. Oral interview by the members of the Program Committee (whose list will be communicated later) with the pre-selected candidates and the host, whose task will be to defend the case of his or her candidate.

### Selection criteria:

The selection criteria will be as follows:

- Quality of the candidate's CV
- Scientific and strategic interest of the project
- Quality of the interactions planned with Université Côte d'Azur host team and the precision of the medium-term prospects opened by the collaboration

Candidates will select and highlight the elements of their CVs that demonstrate their scientific excellence. Candidates must also undertake to reside on the Côte d'Azur during the collaboration period(s).

Applications will be reviewed by a pluridisciplinary Committee. Shortlisted candidates will be invited for an oral interview together with their host at Université Côte d'Azur.

Note: projects that were not selected previously can be resubmitted one time and must show a point-by-point response to the remarks of the selection committee.

#### Calendar:

- Distribution of the call for applications: **February 2023**
- Deadline for the submission of applications on Nuxéo: **April 28, 2023**
- Publication of results: **by June 15, 2023**
- Starting date of the projects: **between September 1, 2023 and January 30, 2024**

#### **Application: Reminder: All documents must be concatenated into a single file in PDF format**

The following documents are required. Application can be written in English or French.

- **Curriculum vitae of no more than three pages**, highlighting the elements that provide evidence of the candidate's excellence in relation to his or her years of experience. This 3-page CV will include the candidate's list of 5 major publications (other publications may be included in an additional appendix), teaching or professional activities, and the list of honors and distinctions. The CV should also indicate the oral and written skills, especially concerning the possibility to give classes in French.
- **Project description of no more than 5 pages**, underlining its intrinsic scientific interest and its potential strategic interest for Université Côte d'Azur. In this description, the requested duration must be justified and the importance for the project of interactions with the host team must be explained. The bibliographical references attached to the project may be the subject of an additional appendix, of one page maximum.
- **Letter of motivation** of the candidate and **commitment to reside** on the Côte d'Azur for the duration of the collaboration period(s).
- **Application form**: see Appendix 1.
- **Project description to be completed by the host at Université Côte d'Azur**: see Appendix 2.
- **Letter from the director of the hosting lab/team** indicating his/her opinion on the application.
- **A certificate from the candidate's home institution** authenticating his/her academic affiliation.

### APPENDIX 1: Application form

NAME, First name	
Date of birth	
Home institution	
Professional status	
Laboratory or host team during your stay at Université Côte d'Azur (followed by the signature of the director)	
Length of stay requested	
Desired period(s) for the stay	
Other special conditions of the stay (to be specified: accompaniment of a partner, assistance with enrolment of children in international school or college, etc.)	
In case your application is not selected for the PRA, would you like to be considered under the Invited Professor Program of Université Côte d'Azur?	

## APPENDIX 2 : Project Description

### To be completed by the hosting structure

#### a) Research activities

Kindly describe the scientific motivations of the desired stay, planned collaborations, and the expected benefit for the hosting research group.

#### b) Outreach activities

Kindly indicate the expected outreach activities (seminars, workshops, trainings, etc.)

#### c) Objective of the invitations

Kindly indicate the mid-term objectives of the invitation

**Full name and visa of the unit director**