

# UCA<sup>JEDI</sup> CALL FOR APPLICATIONS "FELLOWSHIPS FOR YOUNG RESEARCHERS" 2022

# CONTEXT

As part of the UCA<sup>JEDI</sup> Initiative of Excellence and its policy of attractiveness, Université Côte d'Azur is launching a call for applications for "Fellowships for Young Researchers" aimed at promoting the recruitment of young postdoctoral researchers to its research laboratories.

This call will enable young high-level scientists to join a laboratory of Université Côte d'Azur, for a period of 12 months, renewable once, with the specific objectives:

\* of allowing a postdoctoral fellow to prepare an application for a permanent position at one of Université Côte d'Azur's components such as the examination for a position of Associate Professor (*MCF - Maître de conference*) or Researcher (*CR - Chargé de Recherche*), in a French national research organization (EPST) with a Université Côte d'Azur host laboratory selected as first choice, or a Junior Professorship position (chair). OR

\* of allowing the supervisor of the postdoctoral project and/or the post-doctoral fellow to submit an ERC grant application within two years of recruitment.

The call is endowed to fund 10 contracts.

All disciplines and themes are eligible.

# **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

### **ARTICLE 1 - ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

- The candidate must hold a university doctorate or PhD; the thesis must have been defended before submitting the application.
- The candidate must have defended a doctoral thesis within the 4 years prior to the closing date for applications: the thesis must therefore have been defended after May 15, 2018<sup>1</sup>.
- The supervisor must be accredited to supervise research (hold an *Habilitation à Diriger les Recherches*).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This maximum period of 4 years may be revised and extended in various conventionally recognized cases such as taking into account maternity leave (counted at 100%), parental leave (counted at 50%), sick leave of more than 3 months, and certain other cases which will be assessed following a substantiated request.



# **ARTICLE 2 - PROJECT SELECTION CRITERIA**

Eligibility criteria :

- Ability to meet the objectives of the call for applications.

Main selection criteria :

- Quality of the candidate's CV (degrees, publications, caliber of the career plan).

- The scientific quality of the proposed project (importance of the topic addressed, originality and technical feasibility that takes into account the duration of the contract).

- Suitability of the host laboratory to carry out the research project.

- Quality of the host laboratory and of the supervisor's CV (publications, scientific and technical environment, etc.).

Secondary selection criteria :

- Alignment of the project with the strategic programs of the Idex (see list in the appendix).

# **ARTICLE 3 - DURATION**

The duration of the funding will be 12 months, renewable once.

# **ARTICLE 4 - OTHER FUNDING**

These individual fellowships cannot be combined with other sources of funding.

Candidates who have applied to other organizations for the same period must, if they are successful, inform Université Côte d'Azur of their choice as quickly as possible. If this offer is not accepted, the funding cannot be deferred. The fellowship will then be offered to a candidate on the waiting list.

# **ARTICLE 5 - CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCES**

If a successful candidate is recruited by another organization during the period of the funding, the postdoctoral fellow must notify Université Côte d'Azur in writing; similarly, the university should be advised of any relevant change in the candidate's circumstances.

# **ARTICLE 6 - ACTIVITY REPORT**

At the end of the first year of funding, an activity report must be submitted to the IDEX Bureau before renewal of the contract for the second year.

# **ARTICLE 7- PUBLICATIONS**

Publications resulting from the project must acknowledge the financial support of the ANR using a standard acknowledgement statement and include the Université Côte d'Azur signature in the author affiliations. A copy of each publication should be deposited in the HAL-UCA database.



# **ARTICLE 8 - SELECTION COMMITTEE**

An ad hoc selection committee will be established with the support of the Université Côte d'Azur components; it will be chaired by the IDEX UCA<sup>JEDI</sup> Vice President.

The committee will be responsible for assessing and ranking the applications submitted.

The committee may be assisted as necessary by specialists capable of providing an expert opinion on each application.

The committee will send its opinion to the IDEX Bureau, which will ultimately decide the final ranking of candidates and award the fellowships.

# **ARTICLE 9 - RECRUITMENT AND FUNDING CONDITIONS**

- Funding will be awarded through a temporary contract (*CDD*) effective no later than January 31, 2023.

- The employer will be Université Côte d'Azur.

- The recipient must reside near the host laboratory for the duration of the postdoctoral contract.

- The approximate amount of the gross monthly salary (brut mensuel) will be 3,200 euros.
- This is a full-time research contract; additional activities will not be authorized.

# **ARTICLE 10 - COMPOSITION OF THE APPLICATION FILE**

### **Regarding the candidate:**

- A cover letter explaining the reasons for choosing the host laboratory.
- A complete curriculum vitae using the template provided in the appendix.
- A list of publications.
- A letter of recommendation relevant to the submitted project.

NB: for publications under review or in press, attach the abstract and editor's response.

### **Regarding the research project:**

- A description of the project, 6 pages maximum, including the bibliography, explaining the feasibility and key stages of the project and its alignment with the project of the host team or laboratory.
- A half-page summary of the project.

# Regarding the strategic positioning of the application

- A letter of commitment from the candidate to apply within the year following recruitment for a permanent research position at one of Université Côte d'Azur's components (and selecting the Université Côte d'Azur host laboratory as first choice if applying for the position of CR - *Chargé de recherche*, Researcher, at an EPST).

OR



- A letter of commitment from the supervisor and/or from the candidate to submit an application within the year for an ERC grant and explaining how the award of a postdoctoral contract will strongly support this application.

# **Regarding the host laboratory**

- A letter of recommendation from the director of the laboratory or the team that will be responsible for hosting the postdoctoral fellow.
- A list of the main publications of the team and/or the supervisor over the last 3 years.

# INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

# **ARTICLE 11 - TIMELINE OF THE CALL FOR APPLICATIONS**

- March 2022 : launch of the call for applications.
- Mai 15, 2022 : deadline for submission of applications.
- July 15, 2022 : notification of results.
- January 31, 2023: deadline for taking up the position.

No feedback will be provided at the end of the selection process.

# **ARTICLE 12 - HOW TO APPLY**

- The application files must be submitted by the supervisor on the Nuxéo platform that manages UCA<sup>JEDI</sup> calls for applications: <u>Call for applications Post-doc UCAjedi 2022</u>

All the requested documents must be **combined in a single PDF file** named as follows: candidateLASTNAME-candidateFirstname-postdocUCA-2021

The recommendation letter must be sent in a separate email by the author to : <u>Diana.sebbar@univ-cotedazur.fr</u> and <u>Maud.DESFACHELLE@univ-cotedazur.fr</u>



# APPENDIX: List of IDEX Strategic Programs

This list will be published soon.



# ANNEXE : Modèle de Curriculum Vitae

[Please follow the template below as much as possible (it may however be amended if necessary).]

# PERSONAL INFORMATION

Family name, First name: Researcher unique identifier(s) (such as ORCID, Research ID, etc. ...): Date of birth: Nationality: URL for web site:

### • EDUCATION

200?	PhD
	Name of Faculty/ Department, Name of University/ Institution, Country
	Name of PhD Supervisor
199?	Master
	Name of Faculty/ Department, Name of University/ Institution, Country

### • CURRENT POSITION(S)

201? -	Current Position
	Name of Faculty/ Department, Name of University/ Institution/ Country
200? -	Current Position
	Name of Faculty/ Department, Name of University/ Institution/ Country

### • **PREVIOUS POSITIONS**

200? - 200?	Position held
	Name of Faculty/ Department, Name of University/ Institution/ Country
200? - 200?	Position held
	Name of Faculty/ Department, Name of University/ Institution/ Country

### • FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

- 200? 200? Scholarship, Name of Faculty/ Department/Centre, Name of University/ Institution/ Country
   200? Award, Name of Institution/Country
- 199? 199? Scholarship, Name of Faculty/ Department/Centre, Name of University/ Institution/ Country

# • SUPERVISION OF GRADUATE STUDENTS AND POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWS (if applicable)

200? – 200? Number of Postdocs/ PhD/ Master Students Name of Faculty/ Department/ Centre, Name of University/ Institution/ Country



### • TEACHING ACTIVITIES (if applicable)

200? -Teaching position - Topic, Name of University/ Institution/ Country200? - 200?Teaching position - Topic, Name of University/ Institution/ Country

### • ORGANISATION OF SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS (if applicable)

- 201? Please specify your role and the name of event / Country
- 200? Please specify type of event / number of participants / Country

### • INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES (if applicable)

201? – Faculty member, Name of University/ Institution/ Country
201? – 201? Graduate Student Advisor, Name of University/ Institution/ Country
200? – 200? Member of the Faculty Committee, Name of University/ Institution/ Country
200? – 200? Organizer of the Internal Seminar, Name of University/ Institution/ Country
200? – 200? Member of a Committee; role, Name of University/ Institution/ Country

### • **REVIEWING ACTIVITIES (if applicable)**

- 201? Scientific Advisory Board, Name of University/ Institution/ Country
- 201? Review Board, Name of University/ Institution/ Country
- 201? Review panel member, Name of University/ Institution/ Country
- 201? Editorial Board, Name of University/ Institution/ Country
- 200? Scientific Advisory Board, Name of University/ Institution/ Country
- 200? Reviewer, Name of University/ Institution/ Country
- 200? Scientific Evaluation, Name of University/ Institution/ Country
- 200? Evaluator, Name of University/ Institution/ Country

### • MEMBERSHIPS OF SCIENTIFIC SOCIETIES (if applicable)

- 201? Member, Research Network "Name of Research Network"
- 200? Associated Member, Name of Faculty/ Department/Centre, Name of University/ Institution/ Country
- 200? Founding Member, Name of Faculty/ Department/Centre, Name of University/ Institution/ Country

### • MAJOR COLLABORATIONS (if applicable)

Name of collaborators, Topic, Name of Faculty/ Department/Centre, Name of University/ Institution/ Country

### • CAREER BREAKS (if applicable)

Exact dates Please indicate the reason and the duration in months.



# • COVID-19 IMPACT TO SCIENTIFIC PRODUCTIVITY (if applicable)

Please specify which of the following situations apply to you:

- □ Increased caring responsibility for dependent person, including home schooling of children;
- □ No access to laboratory facilities, archives, or other necessary facilities;
- $\Box$  No access to field work;
- $\Box$  Adaptation to online teaching;
- □ Physical and/or mental health issues;
- $\Box$  Other(s)

### (optional)

Explain with objective facts how your productivity was affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. There is a limit

of 300 characters, spaces and line breaks included.