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## USPC-NUS CALL FOR PROPOSALS 2018 Joint Research Projects

The Université Sorbonne Paris Cité and the National University of Singapore (USPC-NUS) grant has been designed with the objective of **fostering new collaborations in higher education and research between Europe and Southeast Asia**. Since 2013, three calls for proposals have been launched every year to fund joint research initiatives, international doctoral student mobility and innovative projects in higher education.

The aim of the calls for proposals is to support **high quality** and preferably **interdisciplinary research** between NUS and USPC<sup>1</sup>. Its principal objective is to foster and promote a long-standing cooperation between its partners across diverse disciplines, from life, physical and engineering sciences to social sciences and humanities and to allow new topics and collaborations to emerge.

### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA AND PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

The new USPC-NUS call for joint research projects is open to researchers in all disciplines. **Projects must be led jointly by full-time faculty members from both USPC and NUS wishing to start a new collaboration**. Third parties from other institutions are welcome to take part in a research team, but will not receive direct funding.

#### Proposals may include:

- Thematic workshops with graduate students and faculty members from both institutions
- Joint conferences, seminars and publications
- Travel allowances for USPC faculty wishing to spend significant time at NUS, or vice versa, as part of a research project

Preference will be given to proposals that intend to build sustainable links between any of the USPC institutions and NUS.

Each project will be funded on a two-year long basis in amounts of up to 50 000€ (approx. 80 000 SGD). **Doctoral students who are part of a joint research team are encouraged to apply through the doctoral mobility call for proposals** for an additional individual stipend of 5 000€.

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<sup>1</sup> USPC is a university consortium composed of eight research universities and five research institutions: Université Sorbonne Nouvelle (Paris 3), Université Paris Descartes (Paris 5), Université Paris Diderot (Paris 7), Université Paris Nord (Paris 13), Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Santé Publique (EHESP), Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales (INALCO), Institut de Physique du Globe de Paris (IPGP), Sciences Po, Fondation Maison des Sciences de l'Homme (FMSH), Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS), Institut National d'Etudes Démographiques (INED), Institut National de Recherche en Informatique et Automatique (INRIA), Institut National de la Santé et de la Recherche Médicale (INSERM).

## PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

To apply, please complete the joint application form and submit it to:

USPC-NUS programme

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**By 2 April 2018**

## EVALUATION PROCEDURE

Applications are assessed individually by each side and jointly reviewed by a committee composed of members of USPC and NUS.

The selection will be based on the academic excellence of the project, the quality and originality of the team and the value of the French and Singapore partnership, the coherence of the budget proposal with the project, its contribution to the broader research interests of USPC and NUS, and the potential for further collaboration and external funding.

Results will be announced in May 2018.

## GRANT MANAGEMENT

- Timeline: the first project-related expenses should be incurred within two years of the date of award. Extension may be considered on a case-by-case basis
- Progress reports: recipients must report briefly on the activities for which the grant is being utilised and on any progress toward obtaining external support for the project
- Acknowledgement: **recipients are expected to acknowledge the support of the joint research project grant in any publication or presentation**, which must be listed in the progress reports
- Payment request: the payment and post-award financial management should be administered through the existing practice at the lead principal investigator's institution, i.e. recipients from USPC will follow their institution's financial procedures and recipients from NUS their own financial rules.

## CONTACTS & INFORMATION

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