

# SPRINT – 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition 2024

## GUIDELINES CNRS

### Specific requests for proposals submissions from researchers of the CNRS

FAPESP and CNRS, signed a Cooperation Agreement for Research on 2004, aiming to implement scientific and technological cooperation between researchers from the CNRS, France, and from the State of Sao Paulo, Brazil, through the funding of joint research projects.

Under the referred Agreement, as a continuation of this fruitful collaboration to promote such collaboration, FAPESP and CNRS make public this Call for Proposals for the exchange of faculty and postdoctoral researchers under the terms and conditions of the SPRINT **2<sup>nd</sup> Edition 2024** (<https://fapesp.br/en/sprint/call22024>) and hereinafter set forth.

#### 1. Eligibility from CNRS side

1.1. Eligibility to **submit proposals** within the scope of this Call:

- a. Principal and Co-Principal Investigators involved in the project;

1.2. Eligibility for **the exchange activities** within the scope of this Call

- a. CNRS researchers, academics and researchers from other organizations working in a CNRS research unit
- b. the participation of PhD students and post-docs is an important criterion in the evaluation of the project

**Note:**

- d. The proposals must aim to respect the principle of reciprocity with regard to academic qualifications of those who will take part in the exchange activities.
- e. Eligibility of research partners in the State of São Paulo should observe the items 3.1 and 4.2 of FAPESP call (<https://fapesp.br/en/sprint/call22024>).

#### 2. Fields of knowledge

This Call for Proposals invites research proposals in all fields of knowledge.

#### 3. Duration of the project for the exchange of researchers

The duration of each project is 24 months

#### 4. Timeline

Closing date for submission of proposals	October 28, 2024
Successful proposals notified after	January 31, 2025

## 5. Funding principles

**5.1.** FAPESP will provide funding of up to the equivalent of € **5,000 (five thousand euros)** per proposal per year and CNRS will provide funding of up to € **5,000 (five thousand euros)** per proposal per year, for the duration of the grant to cover research-related mobility expenses, under the provisions of Clause 5 of the Scientific Cooperation Agreement established by the Parties (<https://fapesp.br/acordos-cnrs>).

**5.2** FAPESP and CNRS will fund a maximum of 4 approved proposals.

## 6. Proposal characteristics for CNRS researchers:

The proposal shall be composed of:

**6.1** A **Research Project** having a maximum of five (5) pages of scientific content, **written in English** jointly by the Principal Investigator at the Host Institution in the State of São Paulo and the Principal Investigator at the CNRS. One copy of the Research Project shall be sent to FAPESP and an identical copy to the CNRS. As described at <https://fapesp.br/en/sprint/call22024>, the Research Project **must** include the following items:

- a. A substantive description of the exchange activities, emphasizing their relevance. The proposal must state clearly how the exchange activities to be carried out by each team will contribute to the ongoing research project funded by FAPESP and to the research being carried by the partner researcher at CNRS;
- b. Detailed schedule of the exchange missions to be carried out by the partner team at the São Paulo institution and the São Paulo team at the CNRS;
- c. A description of each candidate's contribution to the mission, explaining their expertise to carry out the foreseen activities;
- d. Performance indicators for the planned activities, indicating the expected results;
- e. Foreseen actions that will add to the impact of the exchange for the CNRS and for the Host Institution in the State of São Paulo, e.g. by means of seminars, short courses etc.;
- f. Description of how the Principal Investigators in São Paulo and in the CNRS intend to prepare a joint research project, resulting from the exchange activities developed from the proposal submitted in this Call, to be submitted to research funding agencies accessible in their regions in order to create a medium-long-term collaboration (up to one page).

**6.2** The following additional documents required by CNRS:

- a. Research Proposal Form; Researchers Registration Form to be filled in by the PI and Budget forms (available at [NOA \(cnrs.fr\)](https://noa.cnrs.fr) ).
- b. Letter of Agreement (or "Consortium Agreement") between CNRS and the Host Institution in the State of São Paulo to which the PI from São Paulo is affiliated regarding Intellectual Property. The same document is required by FAPESP in item 12 at <https://fapesp.br/en/sprint/call22024>. The presentation of this document is not mandatory for signing the Grant Term, however, FAPESP can request its presentation at any time.

## 7. Submission of proposals to CNRS

Submissions can only be accepted by on line form: <https://noa.cnrs.fr/#/>

## **8. Result of the analysis**

The results will be announced on FAPESP ([www.fapesp.br](http://www.fapesp.br)) and sent by regular mail for the CNRS and by means of a communication to the interested PIs.

## **9. Contract for selected projects by CNRS**

Selected proposals will be subject to the conditions set forth in CNRS-FAPESP's framework agreement.

## **10. Grant cancellation**

FAPESP or CNRS may cancel funding if, during the grant timeframe, a significant event justifies its cancellation in the assessment of the Joint Steering Committee, without prejudice of any other appropriate actions.

## **11. Information about this Call at CNRS**

All questions related to this Call for Proposals must be directed to:

CNRS: Antonia Alcaraz: in charge of international cooperation for South America

E-Mail: [antonia.alcaraz@cnrs-dir.fr](mailto:antonia.alcaraz@cnrs-dir.fr)

## **12. Research Networking Tool**

At FAPESP: The Virtual Library ([www.bv.fapesp.br/en/](http://www.bv.fapesp.br/en/)) includes FAPESP's database of awarded research grants and scholarships. In it, you may search for information on grants and fellowships funded by FAPESP, including abstracts as well the name of participating researchers and their institutions. The Virtual Library includes an interface that allows contacting FAPESP-funded researchers by sending them a message.