FNR 14.07.2017
PRIDE Call 2017
Info Session

Luxembourg National Research Fund
Programme for Research-Intensive Doctoral Education
PRIDE Objectives

1. critical mass in a limited number of fields of excellence
2. recruitment of outstanding PhD candidates to sustain excellent research
3. training of PhD candidates towards highly skilled professionals
PRIDE
2015 call results

PRIDE RESEARCH INTENSIVE DOCTORAL EDUCATION

LUXEMBOURG INSTITUTE OF HEALTH

Next Generation Immunoscience: Advanced Concepts for Deciphering Acute & Chronic Inflammation
13 PhD GRANTS

Critical Transitions in Complex Systems: From Theory to Applications
10 PhD GRANTS

Training in Cancer Biology: Focus on Tumour Escape Mechanisms
14 PhD GRANTS

LUXEMBOURG INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (LIST)

Materials for Sensing & Energy Harvesting
20 PhD GRANTS

Innovative Methodologies for Unraveling Hydrological, Chemical & Biological Interactions Across Multiple Scales
14 PhD GRANTS

UNIVERSITY OF LUXEMBOURG

Security & Privacy for System Protection
11 PhD GRANTS

Digital History & Hermeneutics
11 PhD GRANTS

Capitalising on Linguistic Diversity in Education
9 PhD GRANTS

Migration, Inequalities & Labour Markets
12 PhD GRANTS

LUXEMBOURG INSTITUTE OF SOCIO-ECONOMIC RESEARCH

Geometric & Stochastic Methods in Mathematics & Applications
11 PhD GRANTS

Enforcement in Multi-Level Regulatory Systems
12 PhD GRANTS

LABORATOIRE NATIONAL DE SANTÉ

Fonds National de la Recherche Luxembourg

MAX PLANCK INSTITUTE LUXEMBOURG
PRIDE Call 2017
## CO-FUNDING

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Total DTU positions</th>
<th>Nb of PRIDE-funded PhD positions</th>
<th>Min. nb of PhD or Postdoc positions on institutional funding</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>1 (PhD)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>...</td>
<td>...</td>
<td>...</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>15</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>...</td>
<td>...</td>
<td>...</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>19</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>20</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>...</td>
<td>...</td>
<td>...</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>24</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>...</td>
<td>...</td>
<td>...</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
FUNDING

Award of up to 130 PhD grants (tbc)

- PhD salary (48 months), supplement PPP possible
- Fixed training & mobility allowance, per PhD/Postdoc position
- Contribution to DTU direct costs increased to 10.000 EUR per PhD/Postdoc position
Quality Framework for Doctoral Training

- Quality control
- Supervision
- Recruitment
- PhD training
- Dissemination of results
- Good practice in research
- Thesis assessment
Doctoral Training Units – Main pillars

- High quality training environment
- DTU Coordinator
- \( \geq 7 \) supervisors
- Coherent research programme
- \( \geq 7 \) PhD candidates
- Collaboration partners (opt)
Eligible Supervisors

- fulfil **FNR requirements for principal investigator and supervisor**
  - 2 exemptions
  - possibility to include supervisor to be recruited
  - in case of doubt on eligibility => **consult FNR**!

- supervisors may be part of **max. 2 DTUs** (call 2017), though considered in head count of max. 1 DTU
DTU Coordinator

- Established scholar, needs to demonstrate that he/she is able to run the DTU

- Host institution employing the DTU coordinator is considered as the “coordinating institution”
DTU Research Programme

- thematically open but aligned with the research strategy of the host institution(s)
- is defined on a medium- to long-term basis (min. 5 years)
- demonstrates research excellence and coherence
- potential topics for PhD theses should be exemplified, but not described in detail
PhD Candidates

• In general, every supervisor to supervise at least one PhD candidate
  
  => Flexibility whether top-down or bottom-up strategy

• Recruitment process is open, transparent and merit-based

• Postdocs (institutionally-funded)
  
  => Role in PRIDE project to be described
Training Environment

• Doctoral school(s), doctoral programme(s) or equivalent

• DTU specific training activities (provide overview)

• Highlight
  • interdisciplinary training
  • research integrity
  • career development
  • open access and open science skills
Collaborating partners

• Contracting partners = host institution

• Non-contracting partners

**Category 1:**
Non-contracting partners essential for the realisation of the PRIDE project
  + main degree awarding institution abroad
  + company in Luxembourg (+ PPP supplement)

**Category 2:**
Non-contracting partners contributing incidentally to the DTU research and/or training programme
Application and selection process
# 2-stage Application Process

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Stage 1: Commitment of participation</th>
<th>Stage 2: Full proposal</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Deadline: <strong>11th October 2017</strong></td>
<td>Deadline: <strong>1st December 2017</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>- Online application form</td>
<td>- Online application form</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>- PRIDE Summary description</td>
<td>- PRIDE proposal description</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>- Biblio</td>
<td>- Biblio + CVs of supervisors + commitment letters</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Purpose: organization of selection process

Submission via **FNR Grant Management System**

Stage 1 mandatory in order to access to stage 2
Application

• Formal requirements must be respected
  => Page limits must be respected, otherwise We cut!
  => Format for the descriptive parts must be respected, otherwise Not eligible!

• CVs must address more clearly supervision experience
• Resubmissions and follow-up proposals possible
• Info in application need to address the selection criteria
### PRIDE Selection Criteria

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Selection criteria</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1. Scientific/technological quality of the multiannual research programme</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2. Contribution of the multiannual programme to training and career development of participating researchers</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3. Scientific competence of the host institution/DTU and quality of supervision</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4. Potential contribution by the multiannual programme to the strategic goals of the host institution</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5. Outcomes and possible applications of the multiannual programme</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Selection process

Stage 1: Remote Evaluation
Each proposal will be evaluated by 4 external experts

Stage 2: Short-listing (January 2018)
Short-listing by PRIDE Selection Committee
max. 15 proposals to proceed to stage 3

Stage 3: Interview panels (1 – 2 March 2018)
Interviews sessions at FNR

Stage 4: Funding decision (March 2018)
Final funding decision by FNR
# PRIDE CALL Planning

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Event</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>12 July 2017</td>
<td>PRIDE Info session</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11 October 2017</td>
<td>Deadline for “Commitment of participation”</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1 December 2017</td>
<td>Deadline Full proposal</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>January 2018</td>
<td>Pre-selection</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1-2 March 2018</td>
<td>Interview phase</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>