HFSPO Initiative “Scientists for Scientists”

2023 call for applications

The Human Frontier Science Program (HFSP) will continue the initiative “scientists for scientists” launched in 2022 to help Ukrainian scientists affected by the war in their country. This initiative is firmly rooted in the fundamental principles of HFSP to foster peaceful international collaborations by engaging its global awardees community and by showing its solidarity to affected researchers providing continued support for their academic work.

Terms of reference

A new call is open for scientists involved in active HFSP research projects. Only current HFSP Research Grant team members or HFSP Fellows can apply to this initiative. HFSP Research Grant team members or HFSP Fellows can apply for additional funding to their research projects with the intent to help scientists affected by the current conflict in Ukraine.

Proposals for supplemental funds can be geared towards any type of activities that enables guest scientist(s) to be integrated in the HFSP funded project.

Projects already supported in the first call in 2022 can apply for an extension provided the HFSP award is still active. Team members hosting Ukraine scientists within their HFSP project should inquire with HFSP for the modalities of the extension providing a scientific progress report and an updated research plan for the future work involving the Ukraine scientist. Extensions can only be granted for the remaining duration of the HFSP funded project, and will be funded on a pro rata basis for the remaining time of the project.

The following additional funds can be requested and used flexibly until the end of the current HFSP project:

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<tr>
<td>PhD student</td>
<td>USD 45,000</td>
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<td>Postdoctoral student</td>
<td>USD 60,000</td>
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<td>Senior researcher</td>
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1Based on an annual 0.75 FT equivalent of current HFSP rates in HFSP Fellowships and Research Grants.
In addition, a travel and research allowance can be requested for the project:

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<td>Travel and research</td>
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New applications have to be submitted by a member of the HFSP Research Grant or the HFSP Fellow via email to info@hfsp.org.

The application should contain the following parts:

a. Short outline (maximally one page) of how the proposed guest scientist(s) complements and strengthens the project and scientific team, and which support is requested.

b. Short CV of the invited guest scientist(s).

c. Statement of the host laboratory confirming the intent to integrate the guest scientist(s) and providing the information on name, function, and contact email for the institutional official that will sign the amendment to the award on behalf of the institution.

HFSP will continue to provide swift and unbureaucratic assistance. The proposal will be evaluated through a fast-track procedure ensuring that the time between receipt of the application and providing the outcome will be no more than two weeks.

Upon successful selection of a proposal, the applicants will be informed by official letter and an amendment to the award agreement for additional funds will be issued and signed by the Institution and HFSPO. Payment is made in full after signing of the amendment to the award agreement.

Reporting on this funding should be done through the reports of the ongoing HFSP research project.