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Industry Academia Research Development Programme (IARDP)

The aim is to promote linkages between industry and academia of India & France by leveraging the research competitiveness of academia and supporting the industry through applied research. The proposals must be innovative and industry-driven towards the development or substantial improvement of new products, processes, etc.

Project proposals submitted should preferably involve at least one industrial partner and one research institute each from India & France preferably (2+2 Model). However, project proposals not fulfilling this 2+2 model are also eligible (at least one industrial partner either in France or in India and a research institute from the other country) but the proposal documents shall clearly justify the situation for not fulfilling this 2+2 model.

Areas

- Renewable & Clean Energy
- Smart Mobility
- Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning
- Agricultural Science and Technology
- Sustainable Nutrition
- Health Care
- Technology for the SDGs (including Marine Sciences)
- Waste Management & Circular Economy

Eligibility Criteria

Academic Collaborator

Principal Collaborators and Joint Collaborators to hold a permanent position as scientists/ Faculty members in universities/ deemed universities, academic institutes and national research and development laboratories/institutes.

Industry Collaborator

Company/SME/MSME/startups should have well established in-house R&D unit with a good track record of R&D achievements. They should be registered and operational for at least last three years.

Application Procedure

Collaborators must submit joint full proposal on online submission system www.cefipraonline.in

Duration

Maximum 3 years

Funding Support (Euro 220 000 max. per project)

For Indian/French Academic Collaborator

- Manpower Head (JRF/RA/Post Doc in Indian side as per DST norms and PhD/Post Doc and Master Student in French side)
- Consumables, Contingency + local travel)
- Equipment (Minor equipment only for Indian Academic Collaborator as per CEFIPRA norms)
- International Travel (as per CEFIPRA norms)
- Overheads (as per CEFIPRA norms)

For Indian/French Industrial Collaborator:

Support for Industrial Partner from CEFIPRA may be considered on case to case basis

Deadline 31st August, 2025 (Extended till 10th Sept., 2025)

For detailed information, please visit: www.cefipra.org

Collaborative Scientific Research Programme (CSRP)

CEFIPRA provides funding support to high quality academic collaboration between India and France through research projects in the areas of fundamental and applied science to nurture scientific competency.

FOCUSED AREAS FOR COLLABORATION UNDER THE PROGRAMME (GENERAL CALL):

- Pure and Applied Mathematics
- Computational Sciences
- Life & Health Sciences
- Pure and Applied Physics
- Pure and Applied Chemistry
- Earth & Planetary Science
- Materials Science
- Environmental Sciences
- Biotechnology
- Water

ELIGIBILITY

Principal Collaborators and Joint Collaborators (Indian & French) should have permanent position in an Indian or French University/R&D Institution. They should meet national level eligibility criteria with respect to the operation of grants and age of retirement.

ORCID/Researcher ID is mandatory for submission of proposal under the programme

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Collaborators must submit joint full proposal on online submission system www.cefipraonline.in

FUNDING SUPPORT (Euro 220.000 max. per project)

- Manpower: JRF/SRF/RA/Project Assistant for Indian side
- PhD/Post-Doc/Masters for French side
- Recurring expenses: Consumables, Local travel, Contingencies
- International Travel (For both PI, Co-PIs, students, etc.)
- Equipment (only for Indian Collaborators-as per CEFIPRA norms)
- Total budget of the project should be within Euros 220.000
- Overhead for participating institutes as per CEFIPRA norms

DEADLINE

Deadline: 31st August, 2025 (Extended till 10th Sept., 2025)



Indo-French Postdoctoral Research Programme for Women in Science (PROWIS-I)

Indo-French Programme for Women in Science (PROWIS) is dedicated to the young women scientists of both India and France. This programme will provide a platform for women candidates to engage & work with Indian/French scientific communities with an aim to accelerate their talented instincts towards carrying out advanced studies and research in the frontier areas of S&T.

APPLICANT PROFILE

Indian applicants should be holding a PhD degree & sanctioned/tenured post in a scientific/academic institution and willing to undertake collaborative research project in French institution/universities.

OR

French women applicants holding a PhD degree and currently completing a postdoctoral project & willing to undertake collaborative research project in Indian institution/universities.

Preference will be given to candidates having previous R&D experience & publications.

ELIGIBILITY

Women applicants must be Indian or French citizens (citizens residing in France) from a recognized university or research institution in India/France

- The mobility should take place during the employment period of the applicant in the concerned institution
- Should not have availed any Postdoctoral fellowship in France/India during last 5 years
- Preference will be given to those candidates who don't have any international exposure
- This fellowship cannot be availed simultaneously with any other fellowship
- CEFIPRA may relax the eligibility conditions in case of potential candidates

DOCUMENTS NEEDED

- Invitation/hosting letter from an Indian/French scientist/researcher/faculty/institution, the reference letter from the host supervisor/institute must include the following points:-
 1. Relevance of the proposed postdoctoral work/research visit of the candidate at the host institution.
 2. Importance of the research topic for India and France.
 3. Benefits of the fellowship for the applicant's overall research career.
- Two-page research proposal under the STEM and allied S&T areas (area in which the applicant would like to work)
- No objection certificate from the employer

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Applications are submitted through online submission system. For details, kindly visit www.cefipra.org

DURATION

3 to 4 months

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Indian National	French National
Fellowship Euros 2.000 per month along with miscellaneous allowances	Fellowship Rs. 90,000/- per month along with miscellaneous allowances
To and Fro International travel between India and France.	

TENTATIVE TIMELINE

Deadline: 23rd September 2025



Indo-French Visiting/Mobility Programme for Women in Science (PROWIS-II)

Indo-French Programme for Women in Science (PROWIS) is dedicated to the young women scientists of both India and France. This programme will encourage women candidates to work with the Indian/French scientific communities with an aim to accelerate their talented instincts towards carrying out advanced studies and research in the frontier areas of S&T.

APPLICANT PROFILE

Indian applicants should be holding a PhD degree & sanctioned/tenured post in a scientific/academic institution and willing to undertake collaborative research project in French institution/universities.

OR

French women applicants holding a PhD degree and currently completing a postdoctoral project & willing to undertake collaborative research project in Indian institution/universities.

ELIGIBILITY

Women applicants must be Indian or French citizens (citizens residing in France) from a recognized university or research institution in India/France

- The mobility should take place during the employment period of the applicant in the concerned institution
- Should not have availed any visiting fellowship in France/India during last 5 years
- Preference will be given to those candidates who don't have any international exposure
- This fellowship cannot be availed simultaneously with any other fellowship
- CEFIPRA may relax the eligibility conditions in case of potential candidates

DOCUMENTS NEEDED

- Invitation/hosting letter from Indian/French scientist/researcher/faculty/institution, the reference letter from the host supervisor/institute must include the following points:-
 1. Relevance of the proposed postdoctoral work/research visit of the candidate at the host institution.
 2. Importance of the research topic for India and France.
 3. Benefits of the fellowship for the applicant's overall research career.
- Visiting proposal under the STEM and allied S&T areas (one page)
- No objection certificate from the employer

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Applications are submitted through online submission system. For details, kindly visit www.cefipra.org

DURATION

Two weeks

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Return airfare (economy class), accommodation & per diem allowances, local travel in India/France, airport transfer, insurance and visa charges shall be given

TENTATIVE TIMELINE

Deadline: **23rd September 2025**



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DST-Inria Targeted Programme

Between

Department of Science and Technology (DST) and Institut National de Recherche en Informatique et en Automatique (Inria)

Department of Science and Technology (DST) and Institut National de Recherche en Informatique et en Automatique (Inria) launched a targeted programme to foster collaboration between scientific Communities of two countries in the area of Information and Communication Science & Technology. In India, on behalf of the Department of Science & Technology, Indo-French Centre for Promotion of Advanced Research (IFCPAR/CEFIPRA) invites proposals from the Indian scientists / researchers.

Key areas of collaboration

1. Artificial Intelligence
2. Cybersecurity
3. Digital Health

Eligibility

Applicants from both countries must fulfil the following requirements:

On the Indian side: Applicants have to hold a permanent position as scientists / Faculty members in universities / deemed universities, academic institutes and national research and development laboratories / institutes.

On the French side: Please visit website of INRIA for more details.

<https://www.inria.fr/en/call-for-projects-international-partnerships-associate-teams-2026>

Project funding

Jointly selected proposals will be funded in India by DST and in France by Inria. The joint proposal must meet the criteria of the funding institutions for consideration. Each project will be funded for a period of three years. The indicative funding from each side will be up to Euro 10.000-15.000 (Rs. 10-15 lakhs) per project per year. The support will be given under the following heads:

- International travel (including airfare (India to France & vice-versa), daily allowance, accommodation and domestic travel in the receiving country during a participant's stay abroad) for researchers, engineers, post- doctoral Fellows, Ph.D Students as per CEFIPRA norms
- Support for JRF /SRF / RA/ PDF (as per DST guidelines)
- Contingency Upto Rs. 50,000 per year

Deadline: 16th October 2025