# SPRINT – 3rd Edition 2018

# **GUIDELINES - UNIVERSITY OF SURREY**

https://www.surrey.ac.uk/global-engagement/partners/sao-paulo-research-foundation

### Specific requests for proposals submissions for researchers from the University of Surrey

The São Paulo Research Foundation ("FAPESP") and the University of Surrey, signed a Cooperation Agreement for Research on 14th March 2016 (renovating a cooperation established in 2010), aiming to implement scientific and technological cooperation between researchers from the University of Surrey, UK and from the State of Sao Paulo, Brazil, through the funding of joint research projects (the "Agreement").

Under the referred Agreement, as a continuation of this fruitful collaboration, FAPESP and the University of Surrey make public this Call for Proposals for the exchange of faculty and postdoctoral researchers under the terms and conditions of the SPRINT **3**<sup>rd</sup> **Edition 2018** (www.fapesp.br/sprint/call32018) and hereinafter set forth.

# 1. Eligibility from the University of Surrey

- 1.1 Eligibility to submit proposals within the scope of this Call:
  - a. Project proposals are invited from permanent faculty staff from all academic disciplines at the University of Surrey.
- 1.2 Eligibility for the exchange activities within the scope of this Call:
  - a. The project proposal may include exchange visits of staff (researchers) and PhD students, as well as mobility as part of workshops and scientific seminars.
  - b. 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.
  - c. Eligibility of research partners in the State of São Paulo should observe the items 3.1 and 4.2 of FAPESP call (www.fapesp.br/sprint/call32018).
  - d. Respecting the principle of reciprocity, FAPESP will also accept the PhD fellows participation in the scientific missions. The PhD fellows must have an ongoing FAPESP fellowship during the planned exchange mission.

# 2. Fields of knowledge

This Call for Project proposals invites research proposals from all academic disciplines, with no specific limitation to thematic areas.

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

The maximum duration of each Project is two (2) years.

### 4. Timeline

| Call announced by FAPESP and the University of Surrey | 31 July 2018    |
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| Closing date for submission of proposals              | 29 October 2018 |
| Successful proposals notified after                   | 25 January 2019 |

# 5. Funding principles

- a. FAPESP will provide funding of up to the equivalent of £6,000.00 (six thousand pounds) per proposal per year and the University of Surrey will provide funding of up to £6,000.00 (six thousand pounds) 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 (http://www.fapesp.br/en/8085).
- **b.** FAPESP and University of Surrey will fund a maximum of tbc approved proposals.

### 6. Proposal characteristics for University of Surrey researchers:

The Project proposal shall be composed of:

- 6.1 A Research Project having a maximum of five (5) pages of scientific content, written jointly by the principal investigator of the host Institution in the State of São Paulo and the principal investigator at the University of Surrey. The research Project must be written in English. One (1) copy of the Research Project shall be sent to FAPESP and a duplicate (identical) copy to the University of Surrey. The Research Project must include the items included in the item 6.3 of the call for proposal.
- 6.2 The following additional documents required by the University of Surrey:
  - a. Letter of agreement of the Associate Dean International (ADI).
  - **b.** Letter of agreement of the host institution in the State of São Paulo to which the principal investigator from São Paulo is affiliated. The same document is required by FAPESP in item 6.2.3 at www.fapesp.br/sprint/call32016. The letter of agreement may be delivered after the notification of results of this Call for Project proposals and before the grant agreement signature.
  - **c.** Completed University of Surrey SPRINT budget form (as provided on the Global Engagement website)

- 6.3 As described at www.fapesp.br/sprint/call32018, 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 the University of Surrey;
  - **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 University of Surrey;
  - c. Performance indicators for the planned activities, indicating the expected results;
  - **d.** A description of each candidate's contribution to the mission, explaining their expertise to carry out the foreseen activities;
  - **e.** Foreseen actions that will add to the impact of the exchange for University of Surrey 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 University of Surrey 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).

# 7. Submission of proposals to the University of Surrey

Submissions can only be accepted by email: louise.lawton@surrey.ac.uk.

# 8. Result of the analysis

Final results will be announced on FAPESP (www.fapesp.br) and the University of Surrey (www.surrey.ac.uk) web portals and by means of a communication to the interested principal investigators.

### 9. Contract for selected projects by the University of Surrey

Selected proposals will be expected to submit all expenses immediately following each visit and before the end of January 2021. A progress report (one side of A4) will be required following each visit to Sao Paulo. This report will contain a brief summary of progress and a plan of action with specific timelines detailing when research funding applications will be submitted to the chosen sponsor.

# 10. Grant cancellation

The University of Surrey may cancel grant funding of a University of Surrey researcher, if, during the term of the grant agreement, a fact is of sufficient gravity to justify cancellation, at the discretion of the Senior Vice-President (Global), without prejudice of any other appropriate actions.

# 11. Information about this Call at the University of Surrey

All questions related to this Call for Project proposals must be directed to:

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