CALL FOR APPLICATIONS 2020
“JOINT RESEARCH CHAIRS”

Université de Lyon’s international strategy in Canada
As part of its international strategy, the Université de Lyon (UdL) develops a network of privileged international academic partners. This “International Alliance” initiative ambitions to create an integrated platform for research and training. The International Alliance comprises a dozen of universities spread over five strategic geographical areas. They have been chosen for their strong links and a scientific drive shared with the institutions of the UdL.

Canada is one of the strategic areas of the “International Alliance” with the two following privileged partners: University of Ottawa and Université de Sherbrooke.

PRESENTATION AND OBJECTIVE OF THE CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Presentation and objective
In order to strengthen scientific and academic collaborations with these privileged partners, the UdL is launching the call for applications “Joint Research Chairs”. Up to five (5) joint research chairs will be funded. This call aims at promoting scientific cooperation in UdL’s priority academic fields (see below) and fostering innovative and ambitious collaborative projects. This call will provide funding for setting up an academic network involving at least one research team from each country.

Expected outcomes
• Advanced joint research projects funded by research institutions and/or agencies in France (CNRS, INSERM, ANR, etc.) and in Canada (NSERC, SSHRC, CIRH, etc.)
• To raise funds for research projects
• High ranked publications
• Creation of French-Canadian research laboratories, eligible for international competitive calls, and in particular for those launched by the European commission
• Joint master degrees, research-oriented
• Joint PhD projects
• Dissemination of knowledge

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA
• Reciprocity: Canadian partners are requested to fund 30-50% of the research project
• Public
  ➢ Faculty members and full-time researchers from the IDEXLYON consortium
• **Priority academic fields**
  - Bio-Health and Society
  - Sciences and Engineering
  - Humanities and Urbanity

• **Targeted partners**
  - University of Ottawa; Université de Sherbrooke

• **Content of the project**
  - The clarity and relevance of the objectives of the research project
  - The credibility of the proposed scientific approach, the feasibility of the project, the consistency and effectiveness of the work plan
  - The project should significantly contribute to strengthen the cooperation with Canadian partners
  - The project leaders (from French and Canadian sides) must demonstrate their ability to develop medium-term project (3 years) and their ability to lead an international scientific team

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**FUNDING FROM IDEXLYON: MODALITIES, TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

• The applications will be reviewed by a scientific panel
• Up to 5 projects may be selected
• Each selected project will receive up to EUR 10,000 per a period of 12 months
• The maximum duration is 19 months (April 2020 to October 2021)

**Funding modalities:**

• **Eligible expenses**
  - Academic staff and researchers’ mobility (transportation costs and accommodation): research stays and teaching stays in Ottawa and Sherbrooke (up to 10 days)
  - Costs associated with organization of workshops, scientific conferences, symposia in Lyon/Saint-Etienne, Ottawa or Sherbrooke areas.
  - Costs associated with dissemination of knowledge

• **Not eligible expenses**
  - Mobilities of doctoral students (see dedicated call for doctoral students’ international mobility)
  - Funding cannot be used to pay for teaching, salaries, tuitions or stipends of any kind

**Terms and conditions:**

• Funds will be transferred via a repayment agreement between the Université de Lyon and the member institution of the IDEXLYON consortium to which the French PI’s laboratory is attached
• Funds must be spent before **15/10/2021**
• Funds cannot be deferred
• If the funds are not used for the purposes stated in the application, the final payment will be cancelled and UdL will claim part or the totality of the first payment
• The French laureate institution undertakes to facilitate the dissemination of IDEX LYON support (logo)
• Implementation or framework agreements that may result from cooperation established will mention the support of Université de Lyon through IDEXLYON

**SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS**

• The director of the French laboratory, the team leaders from the French and Canadian side must sign the application file
• All applications will be examined by an *ad hoc* committee
• **Deadline: Application must be sent before 15th March 2020**

**SEND APPLICATIONS TO**

Université de Lyon – International Office
[internal.office@universite-lyon.fr](mailto:internal.office@universite-lyon.fr)
Object: Application-Joint research chairs 2020
**Deadline: 15th March 2020**

**CALENDAR OF THE PROGRAM**

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