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Rules of the Competition "Lab visits under the CREATE project"

1. The aim of the competition is to strengthen the expertise in in the field of optics, necessary to increase the level of communication between IPC PAS research groups and newly established Department of Physical Chemistry of Biological Systems. To strength the above mentioned expertise, the lab visits to reputable research institutions will be supported within the framework of the competition.

Through participation in the lab visits, scientists dealing with physical chemistry will be able to learn about the use of optical methods in their research field and open up to new ideas related to cooperation with the Department of Physical Chemistry of Biological Systems.

2. The competition shall be announced by prof. Maciej Wojtkowski, the ERA Chair holder under the CREATE project.
3. All researchers employed at IPC PAS are eligible to participate in the competition.
4. The candidates shall submit their application to prof. Maciej Wojtkowski, by attaching a short (up to 1 page) proposal. The proposal should include:
 - a. description of the host research group and optical methods used in their research
 - b. description of proposed research
 - c. brief justification, how this lab visit will improve or impact applicant's knowledge related to the new optical and photonic methods.
5. The results of the competition shall be determined based on the decision of prof. Maciej Wojtkowski – ERA Chair Holder under CREATE project, Head of the Department of Physical Chemistry of Biological Systems.
6. Proposals acceptance works according to the rule "first come - first served". However, accepted proposal must meet the following criteria:
 - d. proposed research stipulates the use of optical methods
 - e. there is a relation between planned research at the host research unit and activities of the Department of Physical Chemistry of Biological Systems, and



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- f. planned research will be useful in the candidate's research field and may affect his/her potential cooperation with the Department of Physical Chemistry of Biological Systems.
7. Competition winners shall receive funds to cover the cost of lab visit, i.e. a daily allowance, an advance for accommodation, funds to cover the cost of transport, to a maximum amount of EUR 3,500/month.
8. The number of allocated awards is limited by the budget. Estimated budget for the cost of lab visits is EUR 168,000.
9. The amount of the daily allowance and the cost of accommodation arise directly from the Ordinance of the Ministry of Labour and Social Policy of 29th January, 2013 on the payments due to an employee of a state or local government budgetary unit on account of business travel (with subsequent amendments).
10. Duration of the lab visit should be not shorter than 2 weeks and not longer than 3 months.
11. All formalities related to organization of the lab visit (incl. consent of the hosting group) are a sole responsibility of the candidate.
12. The call for proposals is continuous and lasts till the available budget is exhausted, or the call is suspended.
13. All lab visits should be carried out till the end 2019.
14. The submission of the application for the competition means acceptance of the terms of the competition and the assessment of applications as set out in these Rules and the Competition Announcement.



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