



## Call for Cooperation Proposals

Hebrew University of Jerusalem (HUJ) and Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin (HUB) wish to intensify their cooperation in science. Therefore they call for proposals to be funded in a bilateral funding scheme.

### § 1 – Framework and Eligibility

The two universities agree to fund this cooperation with 50.000 € each per year from 2013 until 2015.

Funding is available for bilateral collaborative research projects comprising researchers or research teams from the two participating universities. Within a project, the number of respective national researchers/research teams should be balanced. Applicants are required to meet any national requirements for funding and follow the general regulations of their respective university. Applications that do not meet these requirements will not be considered.

### § 2 – Criteria for project selection

Important criteria applied in the selection process are the following:

- scientific quality and innovativeness of the research project,
- feasibility of the research plan, lasting no longer than two years,
- cost-effectiveness of the budgetary plan,
- competence and expertise of the researchers or research teams,
- effective communication and cooperation between the researchers in each country and added value of the collaboration, mobility of researchers between the participating countries.

The proposed activities should be balanced between the two universities.

### § 3 – Selection process

Peer review committees from the two universities will review all proposals. The final decision, which projects are to be funded, shall be made unanimously by the peer review committees. It is up to the discretion of the review committees whether to fund one large single project or several smaller ones. The total amount to be distributed per year is 100.000 €. Committee members are not allowed to submit applications.

#### **§ 4 – Allowable costs**

Successful projects will be funded for up to two years. Each university will fund its researchers in the collaboration based on its funding rules.

Funds may be used to cover salaries for student support as well as for consumables and travel expenses for internal consortia meetings and scientific conferences. Researcher mobility between the two universities is strongly encouraged.

Mutual visits from the two universities will be financed as follows: the home university will cover international flights and the host university will provide the local accommodation and domestic travel costs. All requested cost items must be in accordance with the national administrative regulations, respectively.

#### **§ 5 – Submission of project applications**

Applicants of a bilateral collaborative project within this call must submit their joint application to their respective university. All documents and respective forms must be submitted in English.

Applications arriving late and applications not meeting the requirements will not be considered. No legal entitlement can be derived from the submission of a project description.

The joint application must include the following information:

- cover page with a reference to the "Hebrew-University – Humboldt-Universität Joint Call for Cooperation Proposals" as well as name and address of the principle investigators and the funding timeframe applied for,
- joint abstract (one page maximum, 12pt and 1.5 line spacing),
- joint research plan with a general description of the project including scope, topic, relevance, overall approach, a clear description of the planned research collaboration with responsibilities of the partners, (5 pages maximum, 12pt and 1.5 line spacing),
- a tentative budget that lays out the details of the amount applied for,
- annex with a short CV for each principal investigator (including up to five selected publications for each investigator).

All proposals must be submitted by 30<sup>th</sup> of April of each year.

Submit proposals to:

Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin  
Vizepräsident für Forschung  
Hebrew-Humboldt-Cooperation Funds  
Unter den Linden 6  
10099 Berlin

and:

Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
Vice-President for Research and Development  
Edmond J. Safra Campus, Givat Ram  
Jerusalem 91904  
Israel

### § 6 – Notification of results

Applicants will be informed in writing of the results of the review and, where applicable, of the administrative steps that will follow in accordance with the respective national regulations. The first selection of projects will take place by the end of May of each year. Successful projects may start three months later.

### § 7 – Completion of projects

Successful applicants will have to submit a financial and academic report at the end of the respective project. This report should also outline the next steps envisaged to further the cooperation.

For and behalf of  
Hebrew-University of Jerusalem

  
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Date 3/1/13

For and behalf of  
Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

  
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Prof. Dr. Peter A. Frensch  
Vice-President for Research Affairs

Date 15/1/13