



CALL FOR PROPOSALS 2020 – SESSION 1

SUPPORTING CO-SUPERVISION OF PhD CANDIDATES FUNDED BY FOREIGN INSTITUTIONS

1. GOAL OF THE CALL AND SCOPE OF THE PROPOSAL

This call for proposals (CfP) aims at encouraging PhDs funded by a foreign laboratory to be co-supervised with a CeMEB researcher. The selected projects will be offered a maximum funding of 10K€ over the thesis duration, to foster the co-supervision between the CeMEB researcher and the researcher from the foreign institution.

This first session of the call for proposals will fund 3 co-supervision projects.

Depending on the success of this first session, additional sessions of this CfP would be announced in 2021.

	Opening of the CfP	Submission date	Annoucement of results
Session	July 1st, 2020	September 30, 2020	October 30, 2020

2. CONDITIONS AND ELIGIBILITY

- The salary of the PhD student must be entirely taken in charge by a foreign institution. The purpose of the CfP is not to complement the student's salary, due to administrative complexities that would require specific devices outside the scope of the present call.
- The PhD work will be co-supervised by a CeMEB researcher. The co-supervision through a "co-tutelle" agreement is encouraged if allowed by the two universities involved. In this case, the co-tutelle agreement can be settled either before the beginning of the PhD work or during its first year of implementation.
- The PhD work will begin within the 12 months following the CfP session, or will have begun less than 12 months before.
- The application form must be submitted under cover of the director of the research unit hosting the CeMEB researcher involved in the co-supervision.
- There is no restriction regarding the nationality of the PhD student, provided it is compatible with the planned periods working in France.

3. APPLICATION AND SELECTION MODALITIES

3.1. Application

Les proposals should be written in French or in English (see Application form), signed by the director of the CeMEB research unit involved and sent to cemeb-soumission@umontpellier.fr, both in word and PDF formats. Any question may be sent to the same address.

3.2. Selection criteria

- C1 – Scientific quality of the project, which should be within CeMEB scientific perimeter: scope of the project, clarity of objectives, feasibility. Nature and quality of the evaluation process which attributed funding of the thesis by the foreign institution;
- C2 – Quality of the PhD student: describe the selection procedure for the choice of the candidate (whether or not recruitment has occurred at the time of the present application);



- C3 – Scientific quality of the foreign supervisor, and complementarity of the supervision by the French CeMEB researcher;
- C4 – Reality of the co-supervision by the French CeMEB researcher. The most favourable situation is a “co-tutelle” agreement (strongly encouraged, and which gives access to other funding opportunities). The proposal should give all relevant elements to evaluate the reality of the co-supervision;
- C5 - Contribution of the requested CeMEB funding to the reality of the co-supervision.

C1 to C5 each scored from 1 to 10 (1<10).

4. FUNDING & GUIDELINES

4.1. Perimeter of the funding

CeMEB funding will not exceed 10 K€ per PhD. The amount of the funding will be determined by the selection committee on the basis of the proposed budget, which should be exposed in detail in the application form.

4.2. Eligible expenses

- Travel expenses for the PhD student and the French and foreign co-supervisors between the two laboratories; travel expenses for the PhD student and the CeMEB co-supervisor to any destination justified by the thesis project.
- Functioning expenses in the CeMEB research unit (for example: experimentations, small equipment, etc).
- Any other type of expense requested, that would be justified by the project, will be examined in view of administrative constraints but eligibility cannot be guaranteed in advance.

4.3. Obligations of the laureates.

- Please refer to and comply with the CEMEB guide of administrative procedures: <http://www.labex-cemeb.org/fr/guide-des-procedures-administratives>
- When the thesis defence takes place abroad, a public presentation in Montpellier announced through the Cemeb communication-list should be organised by the PhD student / French supervisor. Costs should be anticipated and are eligible to the present call.
- Send intermediate and final activity reports requested by CeMEB (and are used for the periodic evaluation and communication of the LabEx).
- The procedures for the stay of the PhD student or of the foreign supervisor in the French laboratory are not the responsibility of CeMEB, and must be handled by the French hosting research unit (residence permit, reception agreement, insurance, etc.). It is therefore the duty of the candidates to verify that the required administrative procedure of the planned stays in the French laboratory is fulfilled before submitting the application.
- Send all publications and communications in relation with the project to CeMEB, as well as any particular information in relation with the project (e.g. obtaining a prize or award).
- Follow MUSE guidelines for the signature of publications: mention of University of Montpellier in each publication in association with the CeMEB research unit. See full guideline : <https://muse.edu.umontpellier.fr/recherche/charte-de-signature-des-publications-scientifiques/>
- Mention CeMEB funding in each publication, as follows:
 - *Ce travail a bénéficié de l'appui d'une aide de l'État gérée par l'Agence Nationale de la Recherche au titre du programme "Investissements d'avenir" portant la référence ANR-10-LABX-04-01".*



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Annexe 1. ELIGIBLE RESEARC UNITS

LabEx CeMEB - <http://www.labex-cemeb.org/>

Contact LabEx CeMEB : cemeb-soumission@umontpellier.fr

- **AMAP - Botanique et modélisation de l’architecture des plantes et des végétations**
<http://amap.cirad.fr/fr/index.php>
- **CBGP - Centre de biologie pour la gestion des populations**
<http://www6.montpellier.inra.fr/cbcp>
- **CEE-M- Centre d’économie de l’environnement**
<http://www.cee-m.fr/>
- **CEFE - Centre d’écologie fonctionnelle et évolutive**
<http://www.cefe.cnrs.fr/fr>
- **ECO & SOLS - Ecologie fonctionnelle et biogéochimie des sols et des agrosystèmes**
<http://www.umr-ecosols.fr/index.php/fr>
- **ECOTRON**
<http://www.ecotron.cnrs.fr>
- **IHPE - Interactions hôtes-pathogènes-environnements**
<http://ihpe.univ-perp.fr>
- **ISEM - Institut des sciences de l’évolution de Montpellier**
<http://www.isem.univ-montp2.fr>
- **MARBEC - Marine biodiversity, exploitation et conservation**
<http://www.umr-marbec.fr/fr/>
- **MIVEGEC Maladies infectieuses et vecteurs : écologie, génétique, évolution et contrôle**
<http://mivegec.ird.fr/fr/>