

**AGREEMENT ON SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION
BETWEEN THE NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL OF ITALY (CNR) AND
THE NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH OF LEBANON (CNRS-L)**

PERIOD 2015-2016

THIRD CALL FOR PROPOSALS:

In accordance with the text of the Agreement on Scientific and Technological Cooperation between CNR (Italy) and CNRS-L (Lebanon), and after successful closure of the Second Call for Proposals (2014-2015), with four accepted research projects; a Third Call for Proposals for joint research projects 2015-2016 has been jointly launched by CNR and CNRS-L as follows:

Deadline: September 30, 2015

A Joint Commission established by the CNRS, Lebanon and CNR, Italy will announce the results of the third call, and the awarded project by December 2015. The joint research projects are expected to start in January 2016.

Duration of the Joint Research Project: 2 Years (January 2016 - December 2017)

Topics of the Third Joint Call for Proposals:

- Marine Sciences and Biodiversity
- Management of Natural Resources
- Renewable Energy
- Food Security
- Archeology
- Water

Budget:

For each project, CNRS-L will provide annually up to 5,000 € to the Lebanese team, and CNR will provide up to 5,000 € to the Italian team.

The allocated funds for each project are to be used as follows:

- For Mobility – International and Domestic Travel & Accommodation (between 50-70%) **
- Implementation Costs (between 30-50%)

** Travel (international and domestic) and accommodation expenses for the participants shall be borne by the allocated budget of the sending party.

Reporting:

Each Joint Research Project Team is expected to submit a mid-term report at the end of the first year of the project (January 2017).

A final report (in publishable Word format) and a final presentation (in publishable Power Point Format) on the achievements, outputs and perspectives of the Joint Research Project will be submitted during a joint session of the CNR-CNRS at the end of the project duration (December 2017).

Copies of any publications resulting from the Joint Research Project should be included in the final submission.

Intellectual Properties:

Intellectual property rights shall belong to the researcher(s) and/or the researcher's employing institution. Due Acknowledgement of support received from the CNRS, Lebanon and the CNR, Italy shall be made in any publication resulting from the research.

Submissions for Lebanese Coordinators:

Proposals and Application Forms (below) by Lebanese coordinators must be sent in electronic format, in the English language to: jrp@cnrs.edu.lb

All emails sent in response to this call should be addressed to:

**National Council for Scientific Research - Lebanon (CNRS-L)
CNR-CNRS Agreement & Cooperative Programme
Joint Research Projects (Lebanon – Italy)**

Subject Line of the Email Submission: Joint Research Projects (Lebanon-Italy); 2015

*** The research programme needs to be agreed on with the Italian partner (acting as co-coordinator) who should be affiliated to the CNR, to which he will submit a similar proposal, following the procedure of his/her Institution.**

**** For Italian researchers who are not affiliated to the CNR-Italy and wish to be partners in the second call for proposals, it is recommended that they start the procedures of affiliation to the CNR-Italy as soon as possible, in order to ensure ample time for administrative procedures.**

***** Researchers already involved, as Lebanese Project Coordinators, in a running CNR-CNRS JRP accepted project; cannot be Coordinators in a new proposal; they can however be a Member of the Lebanese Team in a new proposal.**

**Cooperative Programme
of the Agreement on Scientific Cooperation
between
The National Research Council of Italy (CNR)
and
The National Council for Scientific Research of Lebanon (CNRS-L)**

PROPOSAL / APPLICATION FORM

Title in English (max. 200 characters)

Title in Arabic (max. 200 characters)

Research proposal (max. 6000 characters)

Research proposal – Continued (max. 6000 characters)

Research proposal – Continued (max. 6000 characters)

Objectives (max. 1500 characters)

Work Plan

- *First year (max. 1000 characters)*

Work Plan - Continued

- *Second year (max. 1000 characters)*

Budget Breakdown:

Only researchers whose names appear on the approved JRP Proposal (Coordinator/Research Team) can benefit from the following eligible costs:

** If you have a Master/PhD student who will be assisting in the implementation but whose name does not appear in the funded JRP Proposal, the Lebanese Project Coordinator can request to add his/her name by submitting his/her CV; as well as a (1 paragraph) justification for his contribution to the Proposal Implementation.

YEAR 1	Mobility expenses	Trips/Tickets	Number of trips ¹	€
			Total Ticket Cost (€) ²	€
		Per Diem (days)	Short stay (up to 5 working days) ³	€
	Other expenses	Implementation costs and small equipment ⁴		€
		Miscellaneous ⁵		€
Total Year 1			5000 €	
YEAR 2	Mobility expenses	Trips/Tickets	Number of trips per ¹	€
			Total Ticket Cost (€) ²	€
		Per Diem (days)	Short stay (up to 5 working days) ³	€
	Other expenses	Implementation costs and small equipment ⁴		€
		Miscellaneous ⁵		€
Total Year 2			5000 €	

*Mobility expenses (including tickets and per diem should cover up to 50-70% of the total budget
Other expenses including implementation costs, small equipment and miscellaneous should cover between 30-50% of the total budget*

¹ Only trips to Italian partner's institution are eligible.

Tickets for attending joint conferences with Italian partners (dissemination) **need prior approval from the CNRS.**

Remaining trips from the first year can't be transferred to the 2nd year of the project.

² Reimbursement according **to actual costs** within the limit of 700 euros per round-trip Lebanon-Italy-Lebanon for an economy ticket.

³ Eligible per Diem for missions in Italy for Lebanese members of the project: 150 euros/ night for a maximum of 5 working days. Per Diem is calculated per night stay and working days in Italy; As an example a travel from Sunday to the following Saturday includes 5 working days and can be justified for 6 nights , 150 euros x 6 = 900 euros (the maximum eligible). A mission from Monday till Saturday should be justified for 5 nights (150 euros x 5 =750 euros). Weekends are not included. *A mission report should accompany each of your travel missions to Italy.*

⁴ Implementation costs and small equipment include:

- Field Work/Local Mobility in Lebanon: 40,000 LBP/Day covering transportation – including fuel and any other personal expenses related to the field work.
- Small Equipment and Research Materials (accompanied by an Invoice) for project implementation can be purchased not to exceed 200 Euros (**For Equipment of greater value, please consult with CNRS before proceeding**)
- Laboratory Tests (accompanied by an Invoice)
- Publication Costs (accompanied by an Invoice)

⁵ Not to exceed 200 euros per year. The project does not cover communications (mobile/fax/emails, etc.) or administrative furniture.

PROJECT COORDINATORS

Lebanese project coordinator

• **Personal data (Please Attach Curriculum Vitae in .pdf format)**

Surname: Name

Tel. Fax

Mobile: Email

• **Lebanese Institution**

Name & Acronym

Address

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Tel. Fax

Email

Website

Italian project coordinator

• **Personal data (Please Attach Curriculum Vitae in .pdf format)**

Surname: Name

Tel. Fax

Mobile: Email

• **Italian Institution**

Name & Acronym

Address

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Tel. Fax

Email

MEMBERS OF THE TEAM IN THE PROJECT

(Please add as necessary on a separate piece of paper, including all necessary information as outlined below.)

Lebanese Member

• **Personal data** *(Please Attach Curriculum Vitae in .pdf format)*

Surname: Name

Tel. Fax

Mobile: Email

• **Lebanese Institution**

Name & Acronym

Address

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Tel. Fax

Email

Website

Italian Member

• **Personal data** *(Please Attach Curriculum Vitae in .pdf format)*

Surname: Name

Tel. Fax

Mobile: Email

• **Italian Institution**

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