



Deadline	Thu 11 May 2023 1:00 pm US Eastern Time submission of Letter of Intent deadline Thu 28 Sep 2023 1:00 pm US Eastern Time submission of full proposal (invited applicants) deadline
Call name	HFSP: Long-Term and Cross-Disciplinary Fellowships 2024
www	https://www.hfsp.org/funding/hfsp-funding/postdoctoral-fellowships
Focused on	Support top postdoctoral researchers that propose innovative, ground-breaking projects that will broaden their research skills by moving into new areas of study while working in a new country.
Applicant	Postdocs with a PhD awarded between 28 Sep 2020 – 28 Sep 2023 in a biological discipline, who will broaden their expertise by proposing a project in life sciences which is significantly different from their previous PhD/postdoctoral work (LTF); alternatively with a PhD from outside the life sciences (e.g. chemistry, physics, mathematics, engineering and computer science) who have not worked in biological field before (CDF).
Host institution	For nationals of HFSP countries a university or research institution in any country. For nationals of non-HFSP countries, a university or research institute in an HFSP country. HFSP countries: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, Cyprus (EU part only), Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, India, Republic of Ireland, Italy, Japan, Republic of Korea, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, The Netherlands, New Zealand, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States of America. From 2023 also South Africa and Norway.
Outputs	Reviewed publications (J)
Call opens	Jan 2023 (registration portal opens on 15 Mar 2023)
Final deadline	Thu 11 May 2023 1:00 pm US Eastern Time submission of Letter of Intent deadline Thu 28 Sep 2023 1:00 pm US Eastern Time submission of full proposal (invited applicants) deadline
Evaluation results	Late March 2024
Signature of agreement	NA
Earliest date of implementation	Between 01 Apr 2024 – 01 Jan 2025
Latest date of implementation	
Sustainability	None
Reporting	Annual scientific reports, interim and final reports
Project duration (min-max)	36 months (the third year can be spent back in the fellow's home country or another HFSP member country)
Allocation for the call	NA
Project budget (min-max)	NA
Success rate	13.2 % (2022)
Eligible costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Living allowance based on the country of the host institution • Research and travel allowance is intended as a small grant to fellow (to purchase a computer, research equipment, supplies, etc.; travel expenses -reimbursed on accrued costs) • Relocation allowance (to pay for flight tickets, to ship personal belongings, as a security deposit to rent an apartment, etc.) • Child allowance (10% of living allowance in year 1) • Parental leave allowance (up to 3 months)
Mode of funding	ex-ante
Language of application	English
Provider	The International Human Frontier Science Program Organization (HFSP), 12 quai Saint-Jean, 67080 STRASBOURG Cedex – FRANCE; www.hfsp.org

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Call identifier	HFSP-LTF-2024 or HFSP-CDF-2024
Call info	<p>HFSP fellowships are for 3-year postdoctoral research visits. Fellows may choose to stay for up to 3 years in the host country or use the last year of their fellowship to return to their home country or to move to another HFSP member country. Long-Term Fellowships (LTF) are for applicants with a Ph.D. on a biological topic who want to embark on a novel and frontier project focussing on the life sciences. Cross-Disciplinary Fellowships (CDF) are for applicants with a Ph.D. from a non-biological discipline (e.g. in physics, chemistry, mathematics, engineering or computer sciences), who have not worked in the life sciences before.</p>
Conditions / Restrictions	<p>HFSP does not support:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Routine projects where the applicant's contribution is not intellectually challenging; • Applied research in a clinical or pharmaceutical (translational) context, in engineering, biotechnology, or nanotechnology, that does not address a fundamental biological problem; • Clinical and pharmaceutical research related to a disease or to alleviate a medical condition, that only aims at developing methods of treatment and diagnosis, searching and testing potential drug candidates or drug targets, advanced trials of drugs under development; • Environmental research directly concerned with agricultural issues, environmental problems; • Ecological projects to discover new species or to monitor and survey protected habitats; <p>Observational studies or systematic screening approaches unless they address a specific biological question.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large-scale data collection studies or large-scale studies on populations or ecosystems. However, studies of the mechanisms of species-species interactions or their co-evolution are eligible • Research in for-profit environments (but collaborations are allowed). • Proposals representing standard or incremental approaches, obvious next steps in the field or for the host laboratory (routine projects) proposals that do not represent a significant change in research direction from previous work of the applicant (i.e. PhD thesis or previous postdoctoral work) are less likely to receive funding. <p>•</p> <p>Applicants are not eligible when:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • they started to work in the proposed host institution or host country prior to 1 Apr 2023; • they have already spent more than 12 months (consecutive or not) in the proposed host country or with their proposed host supervisor on 1 Apr 2023; • they cannot propose to return to an institution where they have worked in the past if they plan to pursue the same or a similar project; • they cannot propose to work with: former scientific collaborators or supervisors; any other scientist with whom the applicant has worked or published; • they cannot propose to take up the HFSP fellowship in the country where they obtained their PhD, even if the applicant is not a national of that country; • they cannot move from one laboratory to another in the same country. <p>A candidate who is not a national from one of the member states (MS) may apply to work only in a research institution in one of the MS. A candidate who is a national of one of the MS can apply to work in a research institution in any country.</p> <p>Applicants must have at least one lead author, full-length research paper - either accepted for publication, in press or published - in an international peer-reviewed journal. Papers in a recognized OA preprint repository are acceptable.</p> <p>Applicants need to register their letter of intent through ProposalCentral (https://proposalcentral.com), and submit it by the submission deadline (ProposalCentral will open for LOI submission on 15 Mar 2023).</p> <p>Applicants, whose letters of intent are pre-selected, will be asked to submit a full proposal by the full proposal submission deadline.</p> <p>Fellows may interrupt ('defer') HFSP support for up to one year after having completed at least one year of work in the proposed host laboratory. During a deferral period, fellows may spend one year in a different laboratory at the same or another university/institution</p>

	<p>or 6 months in another research-driven, innovation environment, working on the proposed project. Any change in host laboratory and/or host supervisor needs prior approval by HFSP.</p> <p>Fellows may choose to stay for up to three years in the host country or use the last year of their fellowship to return to their home country or to move to another HFSP member country.</p> <p>HFSP administers all fellowship allowances through the host institution.</p> <p>The HFSP Long-Term Fellowship is awarded for three years. It cannot be renewed.</p> <p>The fellowship award consists of a living allowance and a research and travel allowance. The living allowance takes into account the difference in cost of living between countries. Applicants may gain an understanding of the living allowances in the Appendix. The offer of a fellowship will specify the relevant amounts.</p> <p>The research and travel allowance part of the fellowship award is intended as a small grant to the fellow to spend in accord with HFSP regulations.</p> <p>HFSP fellows with children are entitled to receive a child allowance and this is set at 10% of the applicable Living Allowance of year 1.</p> <p>HFSP fellows are eligible to apply for up to 3 months paid parental leave, to be taken within 6 months after the birth of the child.</p> <p>A relocation allowance may be provided as a fixed amount to assist with moving costs. Fellows must begin their fellowship between April 1, 2024 and January 1, 2025.</p> <p>HFSP fellows cannot concurrently hold an HFSP Fellowship and another paid employment position (i.e., a position supported by a salary) or another paid fellowship from another organization. However, the HFSP Fellowship can be supplemented from other sources (e.g., from a host supervisor's grant or from institutional funds).</p> <p>HFSP fellows may apply for and hold additional research grants themselves, provided those funds will not be used as a salary for the fellows and are to assist their conduct of the Fellowship research project as presented in the fellow's successful application.</p> <p>HFSP fellows must devote themselves entirely to their research project in the host institution and may not engage in any other paid activity without prior agreement of HFSP.</p> <p>In the third year of the fellowship, fellows may choose to continue work in the host laboratory, to return to their or their spouse's/partner's home country, or to move to another HFSP member country.</p> <p>Generally, it is not possible to change the host supervisor, the research project, or to transfer the fellowship to another institution, except for the third year of the fellowship.</p> <p>Please note:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HFSP does not provide additional funds to cover health insurance costs, pension contributions or other benefits. • Fellows should investigate their tax liabilities and such other costs as visa application. • The host institution may deduct from the stated total allowances any and all legally compulsory fees that the university is required to deduct under a national law. • HFSP's Open Access policy (https://www.hfsp.org/Open-Access-Statement). • Publications arising from HFSP fellowship must acknowledge HFSP support.
Proposal consists of	<p>Registration and submission of Letter of intent via ProposalCentral (https://proposalcentral.com)</p> <p>Letter of intent (first stage, by 11 May 2023) must include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • title of proposal • keywords of proposed research plan • proposed research plan (limited to 3000 characters including spaces): summary of the scientific content of the proposed project, including a 7 short description of the background, aims, hypotheses, experimental approach, and conclusions (see above: research proposal/LOI) • personal information • CV • field and title of PhD • information on the proposed host supervisor and host institution • disclosure on previous collaborations and publications with the host supervisor (if any) • confirmation that the host supervisor is aware of and supports the application • publication list <p>Full applications (second stage, you will be contacted by HFSP if you are invited to progress to this stage, by 28 Sep 2023) must include:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a summary of previous work (the same as the short summary of the LOI) • an abstract of the proposed research project (the same as the short summary of the LOI) • a detailed research plan of proposed project • information on why and how the proposed project is a significant change from previous work • information on why and how the proposed project is of a frontier nature • information on why the chosen host lab is a good fit • information on how the applicant will benefit from being in the host lab (e.g. unique infrastructure, mentoring, exposure to new techniques etc.) • an updated publication list • recommendation letters from two referees • a recommendation letter from the host supervisor, explaining how the proposed research plan is a new direction for the host lab and a significant change from the applicant's prior work (either during PhD or postdoctoral training); the host supervisor should also explain how and why their lab is particularly suited to supporting the aims and missions of HFSP to enable the most talented young researchers to embark on a frontier research project that will shape their career trajectory; the host supervisor should also outline a mentorship plan for the applicant. Host supervisors also need to register their research experience and a list of their publications. If a candidate has two host supervisors, they should both provide letters of recommendation. • PDF files of lead-author publications
Evaluation criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellence of the applicant • Excellence of the proposed research • Suitability of the host laboratory and environment
Research areas	Biology, life sciences
Call workshop	none
IOCB contact	<p>Please inform the IOCB Project Office (projectoffice@uochb.cas.cz) about your intention to apply.</p> <p>Do not hesitate to contact us anytime for consulting, discussion or help.</p> <p>Blanka Collis blanka.collis@uochb.cas.cz +420 220 183 527</p> <p>Jitka Šilerová jitka.silerova@uochb.cas.cz +420 220 183 229</p>
Download documents	<p>HFSP-2024_Summary</p> <p>HFSP-LTF-2024 Guidelines</p> <p>HFSP-CDF-2024 Guidelines</p> <p>HFSP 2024 Instruction on how to submit LOI</p>