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THE 2009 ALLIANCE CALL FOR JOINT PROJECTS

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Created in 2002, the Alliance Program is a transatlantic joint-venture between Columbia University, the École Polytechnique, Sciences Po and the Université Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne.

The Alliance Calls for Joint Projects are intended to promote and finance transatlantic projects of the highest quality, in all disciplines, between faculty members from the partner institutions. Alliance is interested in research and educative joint initiatives that could lead to long-term and large-scale integrated research and education.

Each year, projects may be funded up to \$ 15,000 per project.

GUIDELINES

Participants

- *Transatlantic team:*

The Call for Projects is open to faculty from Columbia University, the École Polytechnique, Sciences Po and the Université Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne. The projects must be presented jointly by at least one faculty member from any one of the three French universities and one faculty member affiliated to Columbia University.

The faculty members who do not already have contacts within the partner universities are very welcome to seek guidance from the Alliance team to find a collaborator.

- *All disciplines:*

Applications will be accepted from all disciplines.

Projects

- Projects may include joint courses, joint research projects, joint publications, workshops, conferences and series of seminars.
- Please review the previous awardees [here](#).

Deadline

- Application deadline: **October 30, 2009**
- The results shall be announced in December.

Selection Procedure

- A multidisciplinary independent jury made of 4 experts from the partner universities will chose the winners of the Call for Projects.
- Ongoing projects and existing collaborations will not, in principle, receive the highest priority.
- Previous recipients of the grant can reapply two years after the completion of their collaboration.
- Projects with prospects of long term viability of collaboration will be given highest priority. Therefore, project teams are expected to submit grant applications to other sources (such as the ANR or the NSF) in order to take collaboration further during or after the implementation of the project.



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Commitments from the Winners

All projects must be initiated within one year of the date of award, and completed – or already structured — within one year of the date of initiation. Any delay should be made aware to the Alliance team.

Teams who would not comply to these time and conditions may not be able to be funded.

Financial Procedure

The grant will be attributed via reimbursement. All expenses associated with the joint project should be reported in a specific Expenses Report, to be filled out by the winners, within 120 days of the initiation of the project. Supporting documentation including flight information, hotel bills as well as all original receipts should be attached to this report.

Application Procedure

The complete application, submitted in **English only**, must include the following documentation in the order listed below:

- A letter of intent signed by both French and American project coordinators indicating their commitment to work together and to observe a proposed calendar of expenses. Please find a model on page 3 of this document. This letter should be signed by both coordinators. It can be sent by postal mail, fax or e-mail.
- A description of the project, including a timetable for completion, not to exceed three pages. This description should indicate how the project contributes to scientific knowledge and research methods within the applicants' fields; the nature and the impact of the collaboration proposed, both in scientific terms and institutionally.
- A detailed budget indicating a breakdown of the budget requested by category (airfares, lodging, etc.) and an account of other sources of funding (potential and actual).
- A curriculum vitae of each project coordinator.

Applications

Please send applications to:

Marie-Zénaïde Jolys
Alliance Program. Columbia University.
1232 International Affairs Building
420 West 118th Street
New York, NY, 10027

Or by e-mail to:

Vanessa Scherrer, Alliance Program Director, vcs2002@columbia.edu
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Date:

To the Director of the Alliance Program,

Please find enclosed our proposal for the '2009 Alliance Call for Joint Projects' entitled:

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The proposal spells out the planned interaction collaboration and includes a budget for the project.

We are committed to pursuing the described activities, to completing them in the required deadline and to adhering to the use of funds described in the budget.

Sincerely,
