

## **VISITING FELLOWSHIP SCHEME FOR INTERNATIONAL RESEARCHERS**

### **Objective**

The objective of the Scheme is to enable outstanding postdoctoral international researchers to advance their own research in a publicly-funded Tertiary Education Institution (TEI) in Mauritius thereby contributing to fostering collaborative research and promoting a conducive research environment locally.

### **Duration**

The duration of the fellowship will be for a period ranging from 3 to 6 months.

### **Financial Provisions**

- A living allowance of Euro 2,000 per month for the duration of the fellowship (pro-rata).
- A housing allowance not exceeding MRU 20,000 per month.
- A return air ticket in economy class by the shortest route.

### **Conditions/Criteria**

The candidate should:

- Be an international postdoctoral researcher who is non-resident foreign citizen.
- Hold a PhD from a recognised institution.
- Have a track record of research publications.
- Have at least 3 years of postdoctoral experience.
- Provide evidence in form of a letter from a local public Tertiary Education Institution that the research proposal has been accepted.

### **Implementation Modalities**

- TEIs will be invited to nominate potential candidates and to provide the following details to the Commission:
  - Research proposal.
  - CV of the candidate.
  - The name of the principal investigator in Mauritius.
  - A short write-up on the potential impact of the research on the institution, staff/student involvement.
- Selection will be carried out by a Technical Committee at the level of the Commission.
- The awardee should reach Mauritius within three months from the date of award, failing which the fellowship will lapse.
- TEIs in Mauritius are requested to host the visiting postdoctoral researcher and provide required office space, logistics, airport pick-up and assistance towards finding an accommodation.

### **At the end of the Fellowship**

The awardee and the local principal investigator must submit a report through the Head of the institution to the Commission indicating the research carried out in Mauritius, outputs/outcomes and future collaborative arrangements, if any.