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OPPORTUNITIES FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY & INNOVATION

International collaboration in science, technology and innovation (STI) is essential to finding solutions to today's global social and economic challenges such as climate change, food security, access to water and energy security. Many countries lack the scientific and technical capacity to solve these complex issues in isolation, as they require joint coordinated international efforts, as well as the commitment of individuals, institutions and organisations from all over the world in order to address these challenges.

In Chile international collaboration in STI is also important because it contributes to the training of advanced human capital and the generation of networks that allow the national scientific community to be informed, to participate and to access cutting edge research, as well as to have strong partners to explore Chile's natural laboratories taking advantage of the myriad of ecosystems, microclimates and sceneries, various of them with unique characteristics, that the country has to offer for the development of scientific and technological research.

In this frame, the Chile-European STI initiative project (CEST+I), financed under the Seventh Framework Programme of the EU, intends among its objectives to disseminate the research opportunities offered in Chile and Europe to the scientific and innovation community. One of the components of this objective relies on promoting the Chilean programmes open to the participation of European researchers.

The National Commission for Scientific and Technological Research (CONICYT) through its different programmes has taken on the challenge of promoting Chile's scientific and technological research, and of supporting the training of researchers and professionals that the country requires for its economic, social, and cultural development.

This brochure presents a wide selection of international cooperation opportunities at the different stages of the research and innovation chain, either open for application to Chilean and foreign individuals, research groups and institutions or that have an international cooperation dimension. Most of the international cooperation opportunities included in this document are executed by various CONICYT programmes, but we have also incorporated two close to market instruments executed by the Chilean Economic Development Agency (CORFO) to cover the different stages of the innovation chain.



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Graduate opportunities



Science and Technology Scholarship for study visits abroad for senior undergraduate engineering students

Description

Enables senior undergraduate engineering students to participate in research projects carried out by internationally prestigious laboratories at top foreign universities, as well as to collaborate with the innovation team and learn how they relate to the industrial sector.

The participant universities are: TU Berlin (Germany), University of Queensland (Australia), University of Alberta (Canada), Shanghai Jiao Tong University, and Peking University (China), KAIST and POSTECH (South Korea), University of Arizona, University of California Davis and University of Notre-Dame (USA), University of Eastern Finland (Finland), Institut National de Recherche en Informatique et en Automatique, INRIA (France), University of Edinburgh, and University of Manchester (UK).

Who can apply?

Highly qualified Chilean or foreign nationals with permanent residence in Chile, who are in their last semester in a civil engineering undergraduate programme accredited by the *Comisión Nacional de Acreditación in Chile*.

Support

Tuition and academic fees; between US\$1.496 (\$727.789 CLP/€1.169) and US\$1.816 (\$883.466 CLP/€1.419) per month, depending on the country of destination, for living expenses; economy class airfares for the scholarship holder and US\$70 (\$34.054 CLP) per month to cover health insurance.

S&T Scholarship for study visits abroad for engineering students

Application

Applications must be submitted in Spanish via the online system accessible through the CONICYT's website.

Requirements

Applicants must have completed at least the seventh semester of their degree programme at the time of application, notwithstanding they must have completed their bachelor degree in civil engineering before signing the funding agreement. Applicants must also show written prove of their high qualifications and of their knowledge of English.

At the end of the scholarship, scholarship holders must participate at the request of CONICYT, for a period of time equal to the duration of the scholarship, in voluntary science and technology outreach activities targeted at graduate or secondary school students in collaboration with the EXPLORA programme of CONICYT.

Approval rate

84% (2012).

Duration

Between 4 weeks and 3 months.

Dates

Yearly calls for applications are published at www.conicyt.cl/becas-conicyt

Funding agency

CONICYT (Formation of Advanced Human Capital Programme).

Further information

www.conicyt.cl/becas-conicyt



Becas Chile Scholarship for Masters degrees outside Chile

Description

Enables highly qualified graduates to acquire or continue a Masters degree in any area of expertise at an institution of excellence in any foreign country.

Who can apply?

Highly qualified Chilean or foreign graduates with permanent residence in Chile.

Support

- Tuition and academic fees (after discounts and waivers of the university).
- Monthly allowance depending on the country of destination.
- Economy class airfares for the scholarship holder, his/her spouse and children, if appropriate.
- A one-time settlement allowance of US\$500 (\$243.245 CLP/€391).
- US\$300 (\$145.947 CLP/€234) per year for books and/or materials.
- Up to US\$800 (\$389.192 CLP/€625) per year to cover health insurance.
- An additional 10% of the monthly allowance to each scholarship holder, for his/her accompanying spouse, and 5% for each accompanying child under 18 years old, for the time he/she remains in that reported status and for a period not lower than 50% of the scholarship holder's stay.
- Extension of monthly allowance on account of pregnancy and maternity leave, to scholarship holders only.
- Associated language course benefits, if appropriate.

Scholarship for Masters degrees outside Chile

Application

Applications must be submitted in Spanish via the online system accessible on CONICYT's website.

Requirements

Applicants must have obtained a final degree grade of 5.0 or above on a scale from 1.0 to 7.0 (or equivalent), or be ranked among the top 30% of their graduating year. Additionally, applicants must have been admitted to or be enrolled in a Masters programme.

Scholarship holders must return to Chile within a year since the completion of the scholarship for double the time of the duration of the scholarship (residents of the Metropolitan Region of Chile) or for a period of time equal to the duration of the scholarship (residents of other regions of Chile).

Approval rate

30% (2008-2013).

Duration

Up to 2 years.

Dates

Yearly calls for applications are published at www.conicyt.cl/becas-conicyt

Funding agency

BECAS CHILE via CONICYT (Formation of Advanced Human Capital Programme).

Further information

www.becaschile.cl - www.conicyt.cl/becas-conicyt

Institution of Excellence

University and/or research centre ranked among the top 150 universities in The Times Higher Education (THE) world university ranking or the Academic Ranking of World Universities (Shanghai, ARWU). Alternatively, a university and/or research centre ranked among the top 50 in the specific study programme area, in the above mentioned rankings. Applications that involve universities and/or research centres that are not included in these rankings must show the excellence of the study programme by other means, for instance other international rankings.



Becas Chile Scholarship for PhD degrees outside Chile

Description

Enables highly qualified graduates to acquire or continue a PhD degree in any area of expertise at an institution of excellence in any foreign country.

Who can apply?

Highly qualified Chilean or foreign graduates with permanent residence in Chile.

Support

- Tuition and academic fees (after discounts and waivers of the university).
- Monthly allowance depending on the country of destination.
- Economy class airfares for the scholarship holders, his/her spouse and children, if appropriate.
- A one-time settlement allowance of US\$500 (\$243.245 CLP/€391).
- US\$300 (\$145.947 CLP/€234) per year for books and/or materials.
- Up to US\$800 (\$389.192 CLP/€625) per year to cover health insurance.
- An additional 10% of the monthly allowance to each scholarship holder, for his/her accompanying spouse, and 5% for each accompanying child under 18 years old, for the time he/she remains in that reported status and for a period not lower than 50% of the scholarship holder's stay.
- Extension of monthly allowance on account of pregnancy and maternity leave, to scholarship holders only.
- Associated language course benefits, if appropriate.

Scholarship for PhD degrees outside Chile

Application

Applications must be submitted in Spanish via the online system accessible CONICYT's website.

Requirements

Applicants must have obtained a final grade equal or above 5.0 on a scale from 1.0 to 7.0 (or equivalent), or have obtained a final grade in the top 30% of their graduating year. Additionally, applicants must have been admitted to or be enrolled in a PhD programme.

Scholarship holders must return to Chile within two years since the completion of the scholarship for double the time of the duration of the scholarship (residents of the Metropolitan Region of Chile) or for a period of time equal to the duration of the scholarship (residents of other regions of Chile).

Approval rate

57% (2009–2013).

Duration

Up to 4 years.

Dates

Yearly calls for applications are published at www.conicyt.cl/becas-conicyt

Funding agency

BECAS CHILE via CONICYT (Formation of Advanced Human Capital Programme).

Further information:

www.becaschile.cl – www.conicyt.cl/becas-conicyt

Institution of Excellence

University and/or research centre ranked among the top 150 universities in The Times Higher Education (THE) world university ranking or the Academic Ranking of World Universities (Shanghai, ARWU). Alternatively, a university and/or research centre ranked among the top 50 in the specific study programme area, in the above mentioned rankings. Applications that involve universities and/or research centres that are not included in these rankings must show the quality of the study programme by other means, for instance other international rankings.



Becas Chile Scholarship for PhD degrees at universities with bilateral agreement with Chile

Description

Enables highly qualified graduates to acquire a PhD degree at one of the universities with bilateral agreement with Chile ranked among the top 10 universities in the international rankings. Up to date information about the participant universities can be found on CONICYT's website.

Who can apply?

Highly qualified graduates with Chilean nationality.

Support

- Tuition and academic fees (after discounts and waivers of the university).
- Monthly allowance depending on the country and city of destination.
- Economy class airfares for the scholarship holder his/her spouse and children, if appropriate.
- A one-time settlement allowance of US\$500 (\$243.245 CLP/€390).
- US\$300 (\$145.947 CLP/€234) per year for books and/or materials.
- Up to US\$800 (\$389.192 CLP/€625) per year to cover health insurance.
- An additional 10% of the monthly allowance to each scholarship holder, for his/her accompanying spouse, and 5% for each accompanying child under 18 years old, for the time he/she remains in that reported status and for a period not lower than 50% of the scholarship holder's stay.
- Extension of monthly allowance on account of pregnancy and maternity leave, to scholarship holders only.

Scholarship for PhD degrees at universities with bilateral agreement

Application

Applications must be submitted in Spanish via the online system accessible on CONICYT's website.

Requirements

Applicants must have been unconditionally admitted to one of the participant universities.

Scholarship holders must return to Chile within three years since the completion of the scholarship for double the time of the duration of the scholarship (residents of the Metropolitan Region) or for a period of time equal to the duration of the scholarship (residents of other regions).

Approval rate

Not available.

Duration

Up to 4 years.

Dates

Yearly calls for applications are published at www.conicyt.cl/becas-conicyt

Funding agency

BECAS CHILE via CONICYT (Formation of Advanced Human Capital Programme).

Further information

www.conicyt.cl/becas-conicyt



Scholarship for doctoral co-tutelage abroad

Description

Supports PhD students to obtain a doctoral degree from both a Chilean university and a foreign university or research centre.

Who can apply?

Chilean or foreign PhD students from an accredited Chilean university who have been accepted either conditionally or unconditionally in a doctoral programme at a foreign university or research centre. Foreign applicants must hold a certificate of definite residence in Chile to be able to apply.

Support

- Tuition and academic fees (after discounts and waivers of the university).
- Monthly allowance depending on the country and city of destination.
- Economy class airfares for the scholarship holder, his/her spouse and children, if appropriate.
- A one-time settlement allowance of US\$500 (\$243.245 CLP/€390).
- US\$300 (\$145.947 CLP/€234) per year for books and/or materials.
- Up to US\$800 (\$389.192 CLP/€625) per year to cover health insurance.
- An additional 10% of the monthly allowance to each scholarship holder, for his/her accompanying spouse, and 5% for each accompanying child under 18 years old, for the time he/she remains in that reported status and for a period not lower than 50% of the scholarship holder's stay.
- Extension of monthly allowance on account of pregnancy and maternity leave, to scholars only.

Scholarship for doctoral co-tutelage abroad

Application

Applications must be submitted in Spanish via the online system accessible on CONICYT's website.

Requirements

Scholarship holders must return to Chile within a year since the completion of the scholarship for double the time of the duration of the scholarship (residents of the Metropolitan Region of Chile) or for a period of time equal to the duration of the scholarship (residents of other regions of Chile).

Upon their return to Chile, scholarship holders must participate in outreach activities committed at the moment of application.

Approval rate

88% (2009-2012).

Duration

Up to 2 years.

Dates

Yearly calls for applications are published at www.conicyt.cl/becas-conicyt

Funding agency

BECAS CHILE via CONICYT (Formation of Advanced Human Capital Programme).

Further information

www.conicyt.cl/becas-conicyt



Scholarship for PhD research internship abroad

Description

Enables PhD students to complete a research internship at a foreign university or research centre.

Who can apply?

Chilean or foreign PhD students from an accredited Chilean university who have started their doctoral studies within 5 years prior to the time of application. Applicants must also meet the following eligibility criteria: have passed the qualifying examination (if required), have their thesis project approved by the university of origin, have the authorization of their thesis supervisor, meet the language proficiency requirements from the host university, and have been unconditionally accepted by a foreign university or research centre to complete a PhD research internship. Foreign applicants must hold a certificate of definite residence in Chile to be able to apply.

Support

- Economy class airfares for the scholarship holder.
- Monthly allowance depending on the country of destination.
- US\$300 (\$145.947 CLP/€234) per year for books and/or materials.
- Up to US\$800 (\$389.192 CLP/€625) per year to cover health insurance.

Scholarship for PhD research internship abroad

Application

Applications must be submitted in Spanish via the online system accessible on CONICYT's website.

Requirements

Scholarship holders must return to Chile within 3 months since the completion of the scholarship for double the time of the duration of the scholarship (residents of the Metropolitan Region of Chile) or for a period of time equal to the duration of the scholarship (residents of other regions of Chile).

Upon their return to Chile, scholarship holders must participate in outreach activities committed at the moment of application.

Approval rate

86% (2009–2013).

Duration

Between 3 and 10 months.

Dates

Yearly calls for applications are published at www.conicyt.cl/becas-conicyt

Funding agency

BECAS CHILE via CONICYT (Formation of Advanced Human Capital Programme).

Further information

www.conicyt.cl/becas-conicyt



Scholarship for PhD degrees in Chile for foreigners

Description

Enables highly qualified graduates to acquire or continue a PhD degree in any area of expertise at a Chilean university.

Who can apply?

Highly qualified foreign graduates without permanent residence in Chile.

Support

- Up to US\$14.227 (\$6.921.600 CLP/€11.115) per year for living expenses.
- Annual allowance of up to US\$4.624 (\$2.250.000 CLP/€3.613) to cover tuition and academic fees.
- A monthly allowance to each scholar, for each child under 18 years old.
- Up to US\$838 (\$407.880 CLP/€655) per year to cover health insurance.
- Extension of monthly allowance on account of pregnancy and maternity leave, to scholars only.

Application

Applications must be submitted in Spanish via the online system accessible on CONICYT's website.

Scholarship for PhD degrees in Chile for foreigners

Requirements

Applicants must have been admitted to a doctoral programme accredited by the *Comisión Nacional de Acreditación* at a Chilean university or have their application under consideration.

CONICYT may request scholarship holders to participate in *Ad Honorem* science and technology outreach activities targeted at graduate or secondary school students in collaboration with the EXPLORA programme of CONICYT.

Approval rate

67% (2012).

Duration

Up to 4 years.

Dates

Yearly calls for applications are published at www.conicyt.cl/becas-conicyt

Funding agency

CONICYT (Formation of Advanced Human Capital Programme).

Further information

www.conicyt.cl/becas-conicyt



Graduate Research Opportunities Worldwide (GROW) for NSF-GRF

Description

Enables National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellows (NSF-GRF) from the Science Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) fields to collaborate with research institutions and universities in Chile.

Who can apply?

NSF-GRF from the STEM fields who have completed at least one year of their graduate programme at the time of application. They must be enrolled at an U.S. institution, making satisfactory progress towards their degrees, and have fulfilled all GRF Programme reporting requirements. The call is open to PhD seeking fellows.

Support

NSF provides an allowance to travel to Chile and CONICYT provides a monthly allowance to cover living expenses during the period of the study visit.

Application

Applications must be submitted by the Fellow through the FastLane module accessible on NSF's website.

GROW for NSF-GRF**Requirements**

Applications must include a concise, substantive summary of the proposed plan for research and general interaction between the Fellow and the proposed international research partners, including justification for the length of time proposed for the international research visit, and the expected mutual scientific/engineering benefits to be derived from the project.

Approval rate

Not available.

Duration

Between 3 and 12 months.

Dates

End of 2013 (expected).

Funding agency

NSF and CONICYT (International Relations Programme).

Further information

www.nsf.gov

Postdoctoral opportunities



Becas Chile Postdoctoral fellowship outside Chile

Description

Enables Chilean or foreign nationals with permanent residence in Chile who hold a PhD degree in any area of expertise to start or continue their postdoctoral training at any institution of excellence abroad.

Who can apply?

Chilean or foreign researchers with permanent residence in Chile who hold a PhD.

Support

- Monthly allowance depending on the country and city of destination.
- Economy class airfares for the scholar, his/her spouse and children, if appropriate.
- A one-time settlement allowance of US\$500 (\$243.245 CLP/€391).
- US\$300 (\$145.947 CLP/€234) per year for books and/or materials.
- Up to US\$800 (\$145.947 CLP/€625) per year to cover health insurance.
- An additional 10% of the monthly allowance to each scholarship holder for his/her accompanying spouse, and 5% for each accompanying child under 18 years old, for the time he/she remains in that reported status and for a period not lower than 50% of the scholarship holder's stay.
- Extension of monthly allowance on account of pregnancy and maternity leave, to scholars only.

Postdoctoral fellowship outside Chile

Application

Applications must be submitted in Spanish via the online system accessible on CONICYT's website.

Requirements

Applicants must have been admitted to a foreign university and/or research centre to start or continue their postdoctoral training. Acceptance letters subject to language proficiency test results will not be considered.

Fellowship holders must return to Chile within a year since the completion of the fellowship programme for double the time of the fellowship duration (residents of the Metropolitan Region of Chile) or for a period of time equal to the duration of the fellowship (residents of other regions of Chile).

Approval rate

78% (2008–2012).

Duration

Between 6 months and 2 years.

Dates

Yearly calls for applications are published at www.conicyt.cl/becas-conicyt

Funding agency

BECAS CHILE via CONICYT (Formation of Advanced Human Capital Programme).

Further information

www.becaschile.cl – www.conicyt.cl/becas-conicyt



Postdoctoral fellowship in Chile

Description

Enhances the scientific productivity and future scientific leadership of young researchers who hold a PhD, by enabling them to develop research projects in any area of expertise within well-established research groups.

Who can apply?

Chilean or foreign researchers (residing in Chile or outside) who have obtained a PhD degree within 3 years prior to the time of application. Women researchers, who have given birth during said period of time, may apply if they have obtained a PhD degree within 4 years prior to the time of application.

Support

Up to US\$46.249 (\$22.500.000 CLP/€36.132) per year. This sum includes US\$36.999 (\$18 million CLP/€28.905) for researcher's incentives and US\$9.249 (\$4.500.000 CLP/€7.226) for travel and operational costs. An additional health insurance allowance will be given to all successful applicants.

Successful applicants who at the time results are communicated reside outside Chile may apply for up to US\$6.166 (\$3 million CLP/€4.817) to cover settlement expenses and have a facilitated procedure for obtaining visa.

Application

Applications must be submitted in either Spanish or English through the online system accessible on CONICYT's website according to the instructions outlined for this call.

Postdoctoral fellowship in Chile

Requirements

Applicants must be sponsored by a university or some other type of institution and a researcher who works at least 22 hours a week at the sponsoring institution.

Projects must be executed in Chile.

Successful applicants must seek permission in order to carry out part of the project (up to 12 months) abroad.

Approval rate

55% (2013).

Duration

Between 2 and 3 years.

Dates

Yearly calls for applications are in April–May.

Funding agency

CONICYT (National Fund for Scientific and Technological Development, FONDECYT).

Further information

www.conicyt.cl/fondecyt



Support for the return to Chile of researchers from abroad

Description

Enhances the scientific productivity and participation in research institutions in Chile of highly qualified young scientists who had obtained a PhD in any area of expertise abroad, by encouraging and supporting their return to Chile.

Who can apply?

Chilean or foreign researchers residing in a foreign country who had obtained a PhD degree abroad within 2 years prior to the time of application. Foreign researchers must hold a certificate of definite residence in Chile to be able to apply.

Support

Up to US\$80.577 (\$39.200.000 CLP/€62.950) per year. This sum includes \$US39.466 (\$19.200.000 CLP/€30.833) for researcher's incentives and US\$41.111 (\$20.000.000 CLP/€32.117) for research expenses. Those researchers who return to regions other than the Metropolitan region of Chile will receive an additional US\$7.400 (\$3.600.000 CLP/€5.781) per year for researcher's incentives. An additional health insurance allowance will be given to all successful applicants.

Sponsoring institutions receive an overhead equivalent to 17% of the total financial support provided by CONICYT to the project (max. US\$69.888/\$3.400.000 CLP/€54.600 per year).

Application

Applications may be submitted in either Spanish or English via the online

Support for the return to Chile of researchers from abroad

system accessible on CONICYT's website.

Requirements

Applicants must be sponsored by an accredited Chilean university or by a legally constituted research centre with at least 3 years of a proven track record of research.

Approval rate

31% (2012).

Duration

Up to 2 years.

Dates

Yearly calls for applications are published at www.conicyt.cl/pai

Funding agency

CONICYT (Attraction and Insertion of Advanced Human Capital Programme).

Further information

www.conicyt.cl/pai

Mobility opportunities



Programme for International Scientific Cooperation (PCCI)

Description

Promotes the creation and/or strengthening of lines of research in all areas of expertise both in Chile and abroad by supporting the exchange of researchers, doctoral and/or postdoctoral students between Chile, Germany, Argentina, Colombia, Mexico and France.

Who can apply?

Researchers from public or private non-profit universities, research centres or institutes in Chile jointly with researchers from the country of one of the participant foreign institutional counterparts.

Support

CONICYT provides support for airfares to the country of the foreign counterpart and travel expenses in Chile of up to approximately US\$2.467 (\$1.200.000 CLP/€1.927). Accommodation is funded by the research team in Chile.

The foreign institutional counterpart finances airfares to Chile and travel expenses in the country of the foreign counterpart.

Application

Applications from researchers in Chile must be submitted in either Spanish or English via the online system available on CONICYT's website.

Applications from the country of the foreign institutional counterpart must be submitted to the institutional counterpart according to the dates and requirements defined for it.

Both applications must be similar in content.

Programme for International Scientific Cooperation (PCCI)**Requirements**

The proposal must include the participation during the whole duration of the project of at least one co-researcher employed by a university, research centre or institute in Chile and fulfill other requirements defined by the foreign institutional counterparts.

Approval rate

49% (2012).

Duration

Between 1 and 2 years depending on the foreign counterpart.

Dates

Yearly calls for applications are in April-June.

Funding agency

CONICYT (International Relations Programme) is one of the participant funding agencies.

Further information

relacionesinternacionales@conicyt.cl – www.conicyt.cl/dri



Abate Juan Ignacio Molina Prize for Excellence in Science

Description

Supports international cooperation between Chile and Germany by giving recognition to an outstanding German researcher or expert in any area of expertise for his/her scientific career. This recognition is a joint initiative between CONICYT and the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation.

Who can apply?

Nominations must be made by a university, institute or a public or private research centre in Chile.

Support

A single amount of US\$38.400 (\$18.681.216 CLP/€30.000) and up to US\$1.920 (\$934.061 CLP €1.500) to cover economy airfares for the German researcher.

Application

Applications must be submitted in Spanish via the online system accessible on CONICYT's website.

Requirements

Nominates must have, at least, 5 years of proven robust research experience, an international prestigious career in science and/or technology, and must not have been permanently residing in Chile, at least, during the last two years prior to the closing date of the call.

Abate Juan Ignacio Molina Prize for Excellence in Science

The awarded scientist or expert must be affiliated to a German institution and travel to Chile to conduct research in cooperation with the Chilean institution who nominated him/her for the prize.

Approval rate

20% (2012).

Duration

4 months.

Dates

Yearly calls for applications are in March–April.

Funding agency

CONICYT (International Relations Programme).

Further information

relacionesinternacionales@conicyt.cl – www.conicyt.cl/dri



Attraction of advanced human capital from abroad, short-term visit modality (MEC)

Description

Offers outstanding scientists from abroad the opportunity to teach and conduct research at a Chilean university, with the aim of strengthening a postgraduate programme and collaborative research with Chilean researchers and students. Any thematic area is eligible.

Who can apply?

Universities whose headquarters are located in a region other than the Metropolitan region of Chile and that have been accredited by the *Comisión Nacional de Acreditación* for at least 3 years.

Support

Incentives for researchers for up to US\$5.755 (\$2.800.000 CLP/€4.496) per month for a 44 hours work week and additional allowances.

Application

Applications must be submitted in Spanish via the online system accessible on CONICYT's website.

Requirements

The host institution must designate one of its full time academics as the institutional counterpart, who will be responsible for the implementation of the project.

Attraction of advanced human capital from abroad

The host institution may apply in association with another research and/or technology transfer institution, (i.e universities, research centres or institutes) public or private located anywhere in Chile.

Approval rate

68% (2012).

Duration

Stays may vary between 2 and 10 months.

Dates

Yearly calls for applications are published at www.conicyt.cl/pai

Funding agency

CONICYT (Attraction and Insertion of Advanced Human Capital Programme).

Further information

www.conicyt.cl/pai



CONICYT-Fulbright advanced human capital attraction from the United States

Description

Offers outstanding scientists or academics from the United States who are sponsored by Fulbright, the opportunity to travel to Chile to teach and/or conduct research at a Chilean university.

Who can apply?

Chilean universities accredited by the *Comisión Nacional de Acreditación* whose headquarters are located in a region other than the Metropolitan region of Chile.

Support

Incentives for researchers for up to US\$5.138 (\$2.500.000 CLP/€4.014) per month for a 44 hours work week, and additional allowances.

Application

Applications must be submitted in either Spanish or English via the online system accessible on CONICYT's website.

Requirements

The host institution must designate one of its full time academics as the institutional counterpart, who will be responsible for the implementation of the project.

CONICYT-Fulbright advanced human capital attraction from the U.S

The host institution may apply in association with another research and/or technology transfer institution, (i.e universities, research centres or institutes) public or private located anywhere in Chile.

Approval rate

50% (2012).

Duration

Stays may vary between 4 and 5 months.

Dates

Yearly calls for applications are published at www.conicyt.cl/pai

Funding agency

CONICYT (Attraction and Insertion of Advanced Human Capital Programme).

Further information

www.conciyt.cl/pai

Networking opportunities



Support for international networking between research centres

Description

Supports activities that promote international networking between Chilean science and technology research centres and those based abroad.

The countries involved may vary according to the call. In 2013 the call involved the following countries: United States, Mexico, Canada, Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Uruguay, China, South Korea, India, Japan, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Netherlands, Poland, United Kingdom, Sweden, Switzerland, Australia and New Zealand.

Who can apply?

National science and technology research centres formally established in Chile, with or without legal recognition, which have groups of researchers with specific areas of expertise. Centres without legal recognition must be sponsored by a National Sponsoring Institution in order to apply.

Support

Up to approximately US\$51.388 (\$25 million CLP/€40.147) depending on the country of the foreign counterpart for: short-length training internships in foreign research centres; research visits to centres in Chile and overseas; organization of bilateral workshops or seminars in Chile in collaboration with the partner countries; access to scientific and technological equipment.

Projects that involve access to scientific and technological equipment in foreign institutions may apply for up to an additional US\$10.277 (\$5 million CLP/€8.029). This benefit may vary according to the call.

Support for international networking between research centres

Application

Applications must be submitted in either Spanish or English via the online system available on CONICYT's website.

Requirements

Applicants must provide a formal letter of commitment from the foreign research centre to collaborate with the Chilean research centre.

Approval rate

52% (2010–2012).

Duration

12 months.

Dates

Yearly calls for applications are in March–May.

Funding agency

CONICYT (International Relations Programme).

Further information

relacionesinternacionales@conicyt.cl – www.conicyt.cl/dri

National Sponsoring Institution

Public or private legal entity established at least 3 years prior to the closing date for applications.



STIC AmSud and MATH AmSud regional programmes

Description

Promotes and strengthens the collaboration of research networks in the field of Information and Communication Sciences, as well as Technologies and Mathematics, by financing the exchange of researchers and doctoral students between Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay and France.

Who can apply?

Research laboratories and units, public or private linked to an institution of higher education, research organizations or private companies from one of the participant countries. Proposals must include the participation of at least one French research group and two research groups from two of the participants South American countries.

Support

The local funding agency finances airfares and the receiving counterpart funds travel expenses.

Support is generally comprised between US\$12.800 (\$6.265.472 CLP/€10.000) and US\$19.200 (\$9.398.208 CLP/€15.000) per year and project.

Application

The national coordinator must submit the application in English to his/her country institution of reference.

The international coordinator of the project must submit the application in

STIC AmSud and MATH AmSud regional programmes

English to either the Secretariat of the STIC–AmSud programme or the Secretariat of the MATH–AmSud programme.

All application forms must be identical in content.

Requirements

An international coordinator must be designated among the national coordinators of the network.

Approval rate

SticAmSud: 63% (2012).
MathAmSud: 77% (2012).

Duration

Exchange visits may last up to 30 days.

Dates

Yearly calls for applications are December–May.

Funding agencies

CONICYT (International Relations Programme) is one of the participating funding agencies

Further information

relacionesinternacionales@conicyt.cl – www.conicyt.cl/dri – www.sticamsud.org
– www.mathamsud.org



Ibero-American Programme for Science, Technology and Development (CYTED)

Description

Contributes to the balanced and sustainable development of the Iberoamerican region by setting up mechanisms for cooperation between Science and Technology National Organizations, Organizations for the Promotion of Innovation and research groups based at universities, R&D centres and innovative companies in the region (Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Chile, Ecuador, El Salvador, Spain, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Portugal, Dominican Republic, Uruguay, and Venezuela).

The projects financed by the CYTED programme are: thematic networks, research project coordination activities, consortiums research projects and innovation projects.

Who can apply?

Public or non-profit private R&D Centres, technological centres or public or private companies based in a country of the Iberoamerican region.

Support

Airfares and travel expenses, publications, training, and for consortiums research projects, operational costs and seed capital.

Application

Applications must be submitted via the online system accessible on CYTED's website.

Ibero-American Programme for Science, Technology and Development

Requirements

Terms of reference are published on CYTED's website at least one week before the call period opens.

Approval rate

7% (2011).

Duration

Up to 4 years.

Dates

Yearly calls for applications are published at www.cytcd.org

Funding agency

CYTCD

CONICYT is one of the signatory bodies within this multilateral scheme.

Further information

relacionesinternacionales@conicyt.cl - www.conicyt.cl/dri - www.cytcd.org



Interamerican Network in Materials Science Programme (CIAM Network)

Description

Supports the exchange of highly qualified researchers working on materials related sciences within the member countries of the CIAM network (Mexico, USA, Brazil, Canada, Argentina, Jamaica, Trinidad y Tobago, and Chile).

Who can apply?

Groups of researchers working in Chile jointly with groups of researchers working at least in two of the member countries of the CIAM network.

Support

CONICYT provides up to around US\$5.300 (\$2.578.397 CLP) per year for airfares and travel expenses for the participant Chilean researchers. The benefits for the foreign researchers are provided by the counterpart funding agency.

Application

Applications by groups of researchers working in Chile must be submitted in Spanish via the online system accessible on CONICYT's website.

Applications by groups of researchers working in other member countries of the CIAM network must be submitted to the counterpart institution in the respective country.

Both applications must be identical in content.

Interamerican Network in Materials Science Programme

Requirements

The research project must be clearly focused on the basic materials phenomenon, the synthesis or characterization of advanced materials, the improvement of the processing techniques of the materials or their manufacturing.

Approval rate

50% (2010).

Duration

Between 1 and 2 years.

Dates

Yearly calls for applications are in August-November.

Funding agency

CONICYT (International Relations Programme) is one of the funding agencies.

Further information

relacionesinternacionales@conicyt.cl - www.conicyt.cl/dri/

Research opportunities



Call for proposals supporting the development of international research projects

Description

Strengthens collaboration between research teams in Chile and researchers abroad with the aim of achieving global-standard scientific and technical results worldwide as well as contributing to the development of human resources to be able to participate in cutting-edge research and new innovation processes, thereby developing expertise in areas relevant to national development

The research areas and the foreign institutional counterparts may vary depending on the call. The 2013 call involved research projects between Chile and the U.S. **National Science Foundation (NSF)** in the following research areas: oceanography, polar research, natural disasters, ecology/biodiversity, social sciences and the humanities.

Who can apply?

Research teams in Chile sponsored by one or more Chilean institutions, public or private, engaged in scientific research and development. Applicants must also be able to demonstrate the commitment of one or more researchers supported by the foreign institutional counterpart specific to the call to participate in the project.

Support

Up to US\$102.777 (\$50 million CLP) per year for incentives for project participants in Chile; flights and living expenses; internships in the U.S. for Chilean associate researchers; flights and living expenses for short working visits in Chile for U.S. researchers; equipment; operational costs; software; consumables; publication costs; consultancy and advice expenses; dissemination costs; seminars; national and international travel; and administrative costs.

Proposals supporting the development of Chile–U.S research projects

Application

Applications must be submitted in English via the online system accessible on CONICYT's website.

Requirements

The team of researchers in Chile must demonstrate the commitment of one or more foreign researchers funded by the foreign institutional counterpart specific to the call to participate in the project.

Approval rate

32% (2012).

Duration

3 years.

Dates

Yearly calls for applications are in April–May.

Funding agency

CONICYT (International Relations Programme).

Further information

relacionesinternacionales@conicyt.cl – www.conicyt.cl/dri



Programme for international cooperation joint research projects

Description

Enables researchers in Chile to participate in international associative programmes in order to develop joint research projects. The programme aims to enhance and strengthen links and exchanges between researchers in Chile and abroad. Calls for proposals within the programme are the result of bilateral agreements with foreign counterparts, involving each of them specific terms and conditions and areas of research. Recent past calls have involved the following agencies and areas of research:

Foreign institutional counterpart	Research Areas
The French National Research Agency (ANR-France)	Information and Communication Technologies, Engineering Sciences, Physics, Mathematics, Food and Agriculture, and Earth Sciences
Secrétariat d'Etat à l'Éducation et à la Recherche (SER-Switzerland)	Energy and Climate Change
Academy of Finland (AKA-Finland)	Education and Energy
German Research Foundation (DFG-Germany)	Genetic and Molecular Basis of Human Diseases, Astronomy/Astrophysics, Geology/Seismology
Agencia Nacional de Promoción Científica y Tecnológica de Argentina (ANPCyT-Argentina)	Nanotechnology and Energy

Programme for international cooperation joint research projects

Who can apply?

Researchers sponsored by a public or private non-profit institution in Chile jointly with researchers from the country of one of the foreign institutional counterparts.

Support

CONICYT provides around US\$102.777 (\$50 million CLP/€80.295) per year to researchers in Chile for the development of research projects. Funding for researchers in the foreign country is provided by the respective foreign institutional counterpart.

Application

Applications from researchers in Chile must be submitted in either Spanish or English via the online system available on CONICYT's website. Applications from researchers in the country of the foreign institutional counterpart must be submitted to the foreign institutional counterpart according to the dates and requirements defined for it.

Requirements

Vary according to the call and the institutional foreign counterpart.

Duration

Between 2 and 3 years depending on the counterpart.

Approval rate

39% (CONICYT-AKA 2012 Call).

Dates

Calls for applications are published at www.conicyt.cl/dri

Funding agency

CONICYT (International Relations Programme) and a foreign institutional counterpart that varies according to the call.

Further information

relacionesinternacionales@conicyt.cl - www.conicyt.cl/dri



ALMA-CONICYT fund for the development of the Chilean astronomy

Description

Supports the development of Chilean astronomy by financing two kinds of projects:

Research projects: research projects in the field of astronomy, astrophysics and/or related sciences. Under this modality national institutions may apply for funding for research fellowship positions, graduate students support and permanent position creation, among others.

Education and outreach (EPO) projects: may be submitted either by an institution or a principal investigator with institutional sponsorship in order to disseminate astronomy in Chile.

Who can apply?

Institutions: public or private non-profit legal entities (i.e. universities, research centres, scientific societies, etc.) jointly with a principal investigator.

Principal Investigators with institutional sponsorship: researchers or academics who hold a PhD or equivalent and are sponsored by a national institution.

Support

Research projects: up to approximately US\$184.998 (\$90 million CLP/€144.530) per year.

Research projects to fulfill research fellow positions: up to approximately US\$226.109 (\$110 million CLP/€176.648) in total for researchers' incentives, travel and operational expenses.

Research projects to fulfill permanent positions: up to approximately US\$78.110

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(\$38 million CLP/€61.023) in total.

Education and outreach (EPO) projects: up to US\$78.110 (\$38 million CLP/€61.023) per year.

In the case of research projects, other than those to fulfill research fellow positions, and EPO projects, the items financed are: researcher's incentives, personnel fees, equipment, software, stationery, travel expenses, airfares, training, publications, dissemination and operational costs.

Application

Applications must be submitted in English via the online system accessible on CONICYT's website according to the instructions outlined for this call.

Requirements

Applications must enclose a letter of commitment issued by the sponsoring institution and the principal investigator's CV providing information of the last five years only.

Approval rate

42% (2010-2012).

Duration

Research projects: 2 years.

Research projects for research fellow positions: 5 years.

Research projects for permanent positions: 2 years.

Education and outreach projects: 1 or 2 years.

Dates

Yearly calls for applications are in March-May.

Funding agency

CONICYT (Astronomy Programme).

Further information

www.conicyt.cl/astronomia



GEMINI-CONICYT fund – National programme for the development of astronomy and related sciences

Description

Strengthens research, education, outreach, academia and training activities carried out at academic institutions in Chile, in the field of observational and theoretical astronomy, or related sciences by financing two kinds of projects:

Research projects: research projects in the field of astronomy, astrophysics and/or related sciences. Under this modality national institutions may apply for funding to fulfill research fellow or permanent positions.

Education and outreach (EPO) projects: may be submitted either by an institution or a principal investigator with institutional sponsorship in order to disseminate astronomy in Chile.

Who can apply?

Institutions: public or private non-profit legal entities (i.e. universities, research centres, scientific societies, etc.) jointly with a principal investigator.

Principal Investigators with institutional sponsorship: researchers or academics who hold a PhD or equivalent and are sponsored by a national institution.

Support

Research projects: up to approximately US\$184.998 (\$90 million CLP/€144.530) per year.

Research projects to fulfill research fellow positions: up to approximately US\$226.109 (\$110 million CLP/€176.648) in total for researchers' incentives, travel and operational expenses.

Research projects to fulfill permanent positions: up to approximately US\$78.110 (\$38 million CLP/€61.023) in total.

GEMINI-CONICYT Fund

Education and outreach (EPO) projects: up to US\$78.110 (\$38 million CLP/€61.023) per year.

In the case of research projects, other than those to fulfill research fellow positions, and dissemination projects, the items financed are: researcher's incentives, personnel fees, equipment, software, stationery, travel expenses, airfares, training, publications, dissemination and operational costs.

Application

Applications must be submitted in English via the online system accessible on CONICYT's website according to the instructions outlined for this call.

Requirements

Applications must enclose a letter of commitment issued by the sponsoring institution and the principal investigator's CV providing information of the last five years only.

Approval rate

44% (2010-2012).

Duration

Research projects: 2 years.

Research projects to fulfill research fellow positions: 5 years.

Research projects to fulfill permanent positions: 2 years.

Dissemination projects: 1 or 2 years.

Dates

Yearly calls for applications are in March - May.

Funding agency

CONICYT (Astronomy Programme).

Further information

www.conicyt.cl/astronomia



QUIMAL astronomy fund for the development of astronomical technology

Description

Supports the development of scientific research in astronomy and related sciences, with a special focus on the design and construction of astronomical instruments and the development of astronomical technology for frontier research.

Who can apply?

Chilean or foreign researchers employed by an institution in Chile dedicated or committed to the development of research or academic activities in astronomy, astrophysics and/or astronomical instrumentation.

Support

Up to approximately US\$369.997 (\$180.000.000 CLP/€289.060) per project for incentives to professionals, researchers, graduate and postgraduate students, and technicians; travel expenses; operational costs; equipment; and infrastructure expenses.

At least 20% of the total cost of the project must be financed by one or more public or private Chilean or foreign institutions through monetary or in-kind contributions.

Application

Applications must be submitted in English via the online system accessible on CONICYT's website.

QUIMAL fund**Requirements**

Applicants must provide a formal letter of commitment from their institution and from the institution(s) that contribute to the funding of the project.

Approval rate

52% (2012–2013).

Duration

Between 1 and 3 years.

Dates

Yearly calls for applications are in March–April.

Funding agency

CONICYT (Astronomy Programme).

Further information

www.conicyt.cl/astronomia

Research centres



FONDAP research centres in priority areas

Description

Supports the establishment in Chile of high quality scientific research centres focused on one of the country's priority areas as defined by the Superior Councils of the National Fund for Scientific and Technological Development (FONDECYT), because they relate to one of Chile's great challenges or represent a special opportunity for the country. The financed centres must have a multidisciplinary approach and incorporate the participation of both Chilean and foreign researchers aiming to achieve international recognition in one of Chile's priority areas.

FONDAP centres must envisage the incorporation of outstanding foreign researchers who carry out research visits in Chile for at least 6 months. Furthermore, the centres must associate since its establishment to a prestigious scientific foreign institution.

The 2013 call involved the following priority areas: Antarctic and sub-Antarctic science; conflict and social cohesion in today's Chile; early human development in extreme environments; aging processes and factors associated to the health and wellbeing of adults; medicine for XXI century chronic diseases; and water resources.

Who can apply?

Group of researchers in Chile whose lines of research are within the priority areas listed above. Applicants must be sponsored by one (or two) institutions in Chile.

Sponsoring institutions may be public or private legal entities that meet the following eligibility requirements: have a proven track record of scientific research and training of doctorate students accredited by the *Comisión Nacional de Acreditación in Chile*; have been legally established at least 5 years prior to the time of application; have adequate infrastructure for the development of the project; employ at least one of the centre's principal investigators; commit with infrastructure, researchers and funding that contribute to the adequate operation of the centre.

FONDAP research centres in priority areas

Support

Up to US\$1.747.209 (\$850 million CLP/€1.365.007) per year for all those activities that contribute to meet the objectives of the project.

Sponsoring institutions receive an overhead equivalent to 5% of the total financial support provided by CONICYT to the project.

Application

Applications must be submitted in English via the online system on CONICYT's website.

Requirements

A FONDAP Centre must have the following basic structure:

A full time (44 hours p/w) centre director; a subdirector (at least 26 hours p/w); at least 4 principal investigators (at least 26 hours p/w each); an academic council constituted by the principal investigators and headed by the centre director; an advisory council that connect the centre with stakeholders; an academic committee constituted by at least 3 international experts, that provides advice on general and strategic guidelines; and a research network that involves at least one highly prestigious scientific foreign institution.

Duration

Up to 10 years.

Approval rate

Not available.

Dates

Calls for applications are published at www.conicyt.cl/fondap

Funding agency

CONICYT (Fund for Research Centres of Excellence, FONDAP).

Further information

www.conicyt.cl/fondap



Attraction of international R&D centres of excellence for competitiveness (Innova Chile)

Description

Supports the establishment in Chile of International Centres of Excellence that carry out R&D, technology transfer and commercialization activities, in fields on the technological cutting edge, with high national and international economic impact, and that strengthen national R&D capabilities.

Who can apply?

Institutional international centres of excellence: non-profit foreign legal entities

Corporate international centres of excellence: for-profit foreign legal entities

Both kinds of entities that apply to the programme must carry out R&D activities of globally renowned scale and prestige and fulfill the requirements detailed in the terms and conditions.

Support

Institutional international centres (non-profit): up to US\$12.8 million (\$6.227.072.000 CLP/€10.000.000) (matching contributions in cash and in kind required) over a term of 8 years.

Corporate international centres (for-profit): up to US\$8 million (\$3.891.920.000 CLP/€6.250.000) (matching contributions in cash required) over a term of 4 years.

Attraction of international R&D centres of excellence

Application

Applications may be submitted either via the online system accessible on CORFO's website or on paper in Spanish or English.

Requirements

Institutional centres of excellence must apply with at least one national entity with R&D capabilities in the fields of the project as an Implementation Partner for development of the R&D lines.

Approval rate

Not available.

Duration

Institutional international centres (non-profit): 8 years.
Corporate international centres of excellence: 4 years.

Dates

Institutional centres of excellence: calls for applications are published at www.corfo.cl

Corporate centres of excellence: applications are admitted and evaluated any day of the year via a permanent application modality.

Funding agency

CORFO via InnovaChile.

Further information

www.corfo.cl

Innovation opportunities



IDeA Programme

Description

Supports the implementation of scientific and technological research projects with potential economic and/or social impact and whose results are obtained and evaluated in the short term.

The programme finances R&D projects with the purpose of validating concept tests, models or prototypes evaluated either in laboratory conditions or in a small-scale (Applied Science Call); and R&D projects with the purpose to produce and evaluate results in conditions similar to the application defined (Technological Research Call).

Expected results include products and processes or technological services in the concept testing, model or prototype stage. Additionally, projects are expected to establish scientific links at international level.

Who can apply?

Non-profit legal public or private Chilean entities, i.e. universities, higher education institutions, technology and R&D institutes. Other institutions that carry out scientific and technological activities and that include in their statutes the purpose of developing R&D activities, may also be eligible.

Support

Applied Science Call: up to 80% of the total cost of the project with a maximum of US\$246.665 (120 million CLP/€192.707) per project.

Technological Research Call: up to 70% of the total cost of the project with a maximum of US\$246.665 (120 million CLP/€192.707) per project.

IDEA Programme

Application

Applications must be submitted in Spanish via the online system accessible on CONICYT's website.

Requirements

Applied Science Call: at least one Chilean or foreign company or institution that expresses its interest in the project through a formal letter and which may optionally contribute to the financing of the project.

At least 20% of the total cost of the project must be financed by the beneficiary institutions.

Technological Research Call: at least one Chilean or foreign associated company or institution whose activities are related to the project's results, and which contributes to the financing (at least 20%) of the project with the purpose of benefiting from its results.

At least 10% of the total cost of the project must be financed by the beneficiary institutions.

Duration

Up to 2 years.

Approval rate

Not available.

Dates

Yearly calls for applications are published at www.conicyt.cl/fondef

Funding agency

CONICYT via the Scientific and Technological Development Support Fund (FONDEF).

Further information

www.conicyt.cl/fondef



Start-Up Chile (Innova Chile)

Description

Attracts early stage, high-potential entrepreneurs to bootstrap their startups in Chile, using it as a platform to go global.

Projects must be globally-oriented and easy to scale. Both projects that are just a mere idea and projects that are already launched/incorporated will be considered.

Who can apply?

Chilean and foreign nationals (residing in Chile or outside). Projects can be from any industry.

Each startup is led by the founder of the project. There is a limit of two additional team members who will be able to join the programme upon their team's acceptance. Team members have to apply on the same application form.

Support

US\$40.000 per project (\$19.459.600 CLP/€31.250), a 1-year resident visa to all the team members specified in the application, as well as a workspace (desk & wifi) shared with entrepreneurs from over 50 countries.

Start-Up Chile

Application

Applications must be submitted in English via the YouNoodle platform accessible on Startup-Chile's website.

Requirements

Applications need to include a recommendation letter from an investor, mentor, academic or entrepreneur and a video pitch answering these 3 questions: Why are you the perfect team to lead this project? What problem are you solving? How will you socially impact Chile? and provide the direct YouTube or Vimeo link to the video pitch.

The founder of each startup need to consider a 7 months stay in Chile because of legal requirements.

Duration

6 months.

Approval rate

Not available.

Dates

March, June and September.

Funding agency

Corfo via InnovaChile.

Further information

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