



## Labex Bio-Psy Call for Collaborative Projects

### Goal\*

The present call has two main objectives:

- To boost projects of Bio-Psy teams in their strongest research areas and help them to achieve breakthroughs and be highly competitive at the international level, by providing additional funding and fostering collaborations and common efforts within Bio-Psy priorities.
- To further develop and reinforce ties between basic scientists and clinicians working in psychiatric research.

### Eligibility

- All Biopsy partners are encouraged to participate in this call, in order to promote projects' impact and visibility. Applications must therefore involve at least three Bio-Psy members, preferably located on different campuses. Whenever possible, larger regrouping of teams is strongly recommended (groups can include members of the Fundamental Network of "Expert Centers"). In all cases, the project coordinator must be a Bio-Psy participant. Participation of other groups is possible if fully justified to achieve success of the project.
- Projects should focus on one of the following themes (as defined during the recently organized Bio-Psy strategic meetings).
  1. Mood disorders and psychoses
  2. Autism spectrum disorders
  3. Addiction, motivation and reward

### Budget request

- The total funding available for this call will be up to 1 M € and should allow support for 3 or 4 collaborative projects for up to 3 years.
- Budgets can be requested to cover running costs, equipment acquisition and/or salaries of personnel (e.g., post-docs, "ARC" or technicians, within the limit of one recruitment per project), according to the following rules.
  - Amount requested will be indicated without taxes.
  - Personnel costs: amount requested will include all charges (complete cost).
  - Hiring contracts will not be longer than the duration of the project.
  - Equipment: budget requests should be justified by valid quotes.
  - The following costs will not be considered: equipment maintenance contracts other than equipment bought with Bio-Psy support within the call, scientific meeting organization and subscription to journals or membership to learned societies.

- A Bio-Psy partner group may participate in several applications, but can coordinate only one project.
- In all cases, only one project will be funded per partner group within this call.
- If the project can be/is already funded by other sources, the proponents should justify why and how Bio-Psy support will complement the others and boost the project.

### **Evaluation criteria**

- Established scientific excellence of the participants in relation with the project topic;
- Scope and ambition of the project, potential for important breakthrough;
- Partner teams complementarity and added value of the collaboration;
- Proposed use of Bio-Psy common equipment;
- Project feasibility;
- Justification of the approach chosen and of the budget

### **Application procedure**

Projects, written in English (use the specific application form), should be submitted no later than March 15<sup>th</sup> 2014, in pdf format and by e-mail to:

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For questions, call (or e-mail):

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### **Timeline**

Funded projects will be selected by April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

\*Note: This call is not intended to support “proof of concept” projects or projects that test new or “risky” hypothesis<sup>1</sup>. Applicants should base their proposals on their existing competence and know-how and aim to gather momentum in order to ascertain the Labex added value in the field.

<sup>1</sup>A separate call is issued for these types of projects.