



**UNIVERSITÉ
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INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

UNIGE-Yonsei Seed Funding

Call for Proposals

Application deadline: 30 September 2019

Purpose

In the framework of the strategic partnership concluded between both institutions, the UNIGE-Yonsei seed-funding program is designed to support the launch of interactions between instructors and researchers at both institutions. It aims at building the basis for new research and teaching initiatives and proposals for external funding.

The funding scheme is not limited to a specific academic field and the proposals can be either focused on one discipline or be of interdisciplinary character. However, in view of the common goals of the partner universities to strengthen their joint expertise on [sustainability](#), specific attention will be given to proposals covering such issues.

Application

UNIGE and Yonsei faculty are invited to submit new proposals for collaborative projects **using a common online application form**. Proposals may come from individual faculty members or a group of faculty but should have UNIGE and Yonsei faculty members as main applicants in all cases. Main applicants may be of any faculty rank. The proposal must include a statement of support from the heads of the respective Faculty or Center of each main applicant.

A UNIGE-Yonsei bilateral committee will jointly determine which projects will be funded.

Selection Process

The universities are especially interested to fund projects that

1. Support the strategic importance or added academic value of the collaboration;
2. Enhance the international programming of departments or academic units;
3. Emphasize new connections and collaborations;
4. Show how the collaboration will be sustained beyond the term of the seed-funding, including through faculty and department commitment and/or external support;
5. Provide a budget that is reasonable and appropriate to the scope and duration of the project.

Funding and Duration

Each university will provide its main applicant with a maximum amount equivalent to USD 10'000 (total per project USD 20'000) that can be spent on travel, accommodation, workshops, facilities use and other expenses related to meetings or the preparation of external funding

proposals, as specified at the time of the proposal. Funds should be spent within 24 months of receipt of funding, whichever comes first. A brief scientific and financial report will be requested at the end of the project; any unspent funds will have to be returned.

Deadline

The call for proposals closes 30 September 2019.

Contact persons

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