

Call of interest for an international network or project creation
International Research Network (IRN)
International Research Project (IRP)
Campaign 2025 for 2026-2030 (five years)

IRN/IRP are part of the international strategy of CNRS. As such, project leaders are invited to discuss their projects with the management of their laboratory and with the Deputy scientific director (DAS) Europe and International of CNRS Informatics (ins2i-international@cnrs.fr).

What is an IRN?

This international cooperation tool is designed to **consolidate a network of French and foreign partners** around a theme on which they are already conducting **collaborative research**.

An IRN federates a network that could participate in European and international calls for projects.

[IRN-Sheet-2020.pdf](#)

What is an IRP?

This international cooperation tool is designed to **support a collaborative research project between French and foreign partners who have already demonstrated their ability to work together**.

An IRP makes it possible to federate teams that could participate in European and international calls for projects.

[IRP-Sheet-2020.pdf](#)

I. RESOURCES ALLOCATED

Funding, generally ranging from €10,000 to €15,000 per year, is allocated each year for 5 years. It is used for the mobility of the teams involved and the organization of scientific meetings in France and in the partner countries (workshops, scientific seminars or thematic schools).

- Part of the funding (20% maximum per year) may be used for other expenses.
- No salary can be paid out of CNRS funding.
- This budget should be used as leverage, with French and foreign partners potentially providing additional resources.

II. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

a. Coordination

The IRN or IRP must be supported by a CNRS unit (UMR, UPR, UAR or IRL).

The coordinator must be an academic who is a permanent member of this unit.

b. Le Consortium

The consortium must include foreign partners (IRL are considered as French partners).

Consortium composition:

IRN

- 2 foreign countries **minimum**
- 6 teams **minimum**

IRP

- 2 foreign countries **maximum**
- 6 teams **maximum**

History: partners must have worked together in the past.

III. SCHEDULE

- **Submission deadline:** Friday, April 4th, 2025
- **Results:** mid-May 2025

Selected applicants will be contacted to submit a complete file by the end of June. We plan to make a final decision at the end of September, with a view to starting the project at the beginning of 2026. Selection will be based on the quality of the applications, and the institute's strategy in terms of thematic, geographic and partnership priorities.

IV. HOW TO SUBMIT A CALL FOR INTEREST?

Instructions and form are available on the website <https://www.ins2i.cnrs.fr/en/international-cooperation>, along with updates.

A webinar will be held on **Friday, March 21**, from 11:00 to 12:00 CET, with a link on the same page.