

2026 Call for « postes rouges » positions for foreign researchers

The *Institut National des Sciences Mathématiques et de leurs Interactions* of the CNRS (Insmi-CNRS Mathematics) is launching its 2026 call for applications to host foreign colleagues in its *Unités Mixtes de Recherche* (UMRs) (laboratories) and *Fédérations de Recherche* (FRs) (networks of laboratories). Invitations are for a duration of 2 to 3 months, under special conditions.

Invitations are open to colleagues at all levels of seniority (professors and associate professors, university professors and associate professors), on the basis of a scientific project to be undertaken in joint partnership with a member of the host UMR or FR.

Information for applicants

Eligibility: candidates must be working in an institution abroad. All levels of seniority are possible (equivalent to CNRS junior and senior researchers, or lecturers, assistant, associate or full professors).

Duration: commitment to a 2 to 3-month visit in a laboratory attached to Insmi in France. Shorter periods cannot be funded under this program.

Period: the current campaign concerns invitations to be held between February 1, 2026 and November 30, 2026.

Financial support: travel, visa, accommodation and meals for the duration of the stay are covered. Further logistical details are to be discussed with the management team of the host laboratory.

Application form (in French or English)

- Curriculum Vitae (with a list of publications in the last 5 years)
- A specific scientific project to be undertaken during the proposed visit. The name(s) of the local researcher(s) should be mentioned.
- Provisional dates for a visit between February 1, 2026 and November 30, 2026.
- An invitation letter (or copy of an e-mail) from the director of the host laboratory.

Where to send the application?

- to the management team of the host laboratory (who will then forward the proposal to Insmi)
- to the management team of the IRL or IRN if you are associated to one of these mechanisms

Deadline for applications to the IRL FVMA

15 September 2025