



AGENCE NATIONALE DE LA RECHERCHE

ANR

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Academic Careers Observatory

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2006: A new research funding agency for France: the National Research Agency



A public organization

- devoted to competitive project funding in both basic and applied research
- based on international standards

Objectives:

- to promote creativity and innovation
- to increase competitiveness while keeping a good balance between basic research and applied research

Budget 2008: M€ 896

Around 1500 projects funded each year

5 main questions about the ANR's grants

- Who?
- What ?
- How ?
- How much?
- When?



Who?

- Most applications must nominate one « Principal Investigator » with a permanent academic position in a French research organisation regardless of applicant's nationality
- Exception: « Returning young researchers » programme & « Chaires d'excellence » prog.
- But non permanent researcher may be part of the research team and receive a corresponding salary



What?

- Open CFP (*Programme blanc*)
- Starting researchers Program (*Programme JC*)
- Visiting professorships (*Chaires d'excellence*)
- “Returning post-doc programme” (*Programme d'aide au retour*)
- HSS Thematic programmes
- International calls



1/6. Open call (*Programme blanc*)

- A completely bottom-up, non thematic call for proposals in all research fields.
- To give significant impetus to ambitious, innovative and internationally competitive projects, focusing on pioneer objectives.
- To strengthen the international competitiveness of French research in its specific area.



2/6. Starting researchers Call (*Programme Jeunes chercheurs*)

- To support young researchers or lecturers (under 38) with a permanent position in a French university or research organization to take responsibilities, develop independently their own research project and demonstrate their innovativeness.
- Open call to all research fields including the Humanities and social sciences

3/6. Visiting professorships (*Chaires d'excellence*)

- To attract high-level scientists from all over the world to offer significant funding for a specific research project. Part of the grant can be dedicated to support the grant-holder (mobility or living allowance).
- short-term (18-24 months) or long term chairs
- "senior" chairs or "junior" chairs
- Funded projects can receive additional funding from either research organisation or local authorities.

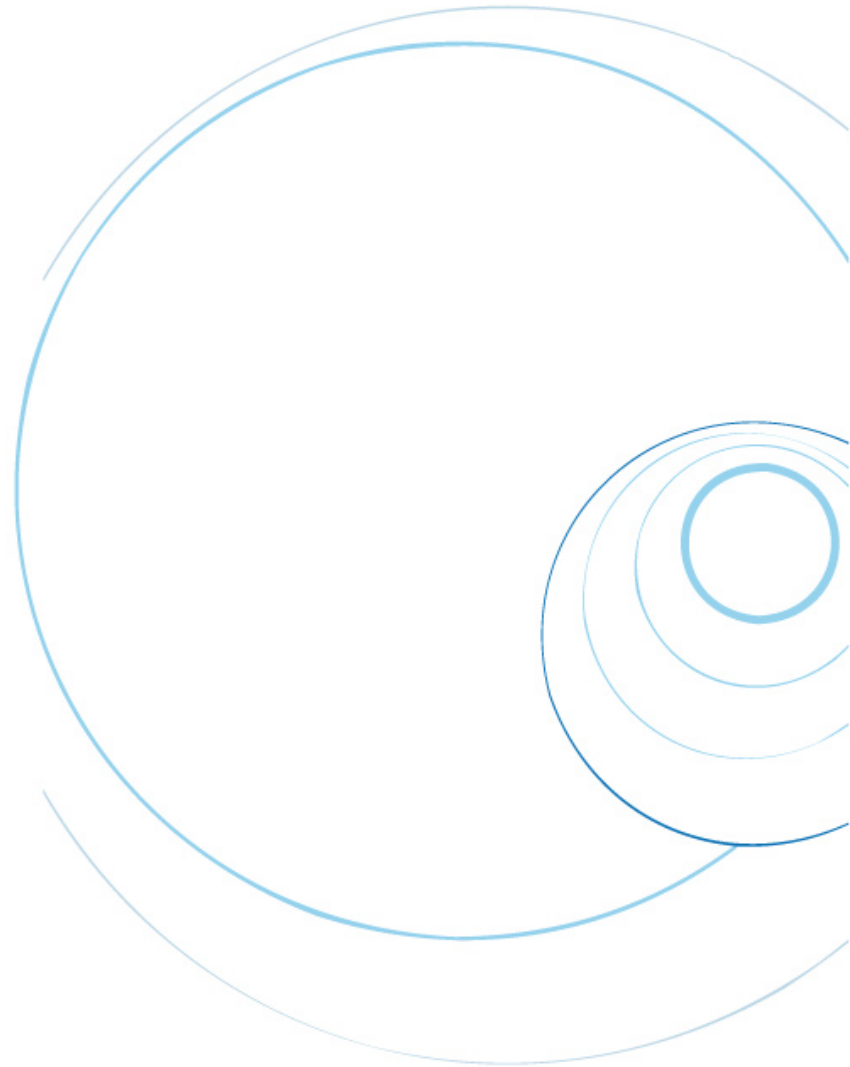
4/6. Returning young researchers programm (*Retour de post-doc*)

- To offer stimulating careers to young scientists in France
- SSH scientists are welcome!
- Young French-PhD holders (less than 3 years after completion) currently in a foreign post-doctoral position



5/6. SSH Thematics calls for 2010

- **The Souths today**
- **Creation & Creativity**
- **Space & Territories**



6/6 European & international activities in the Humanities and Social Sciences

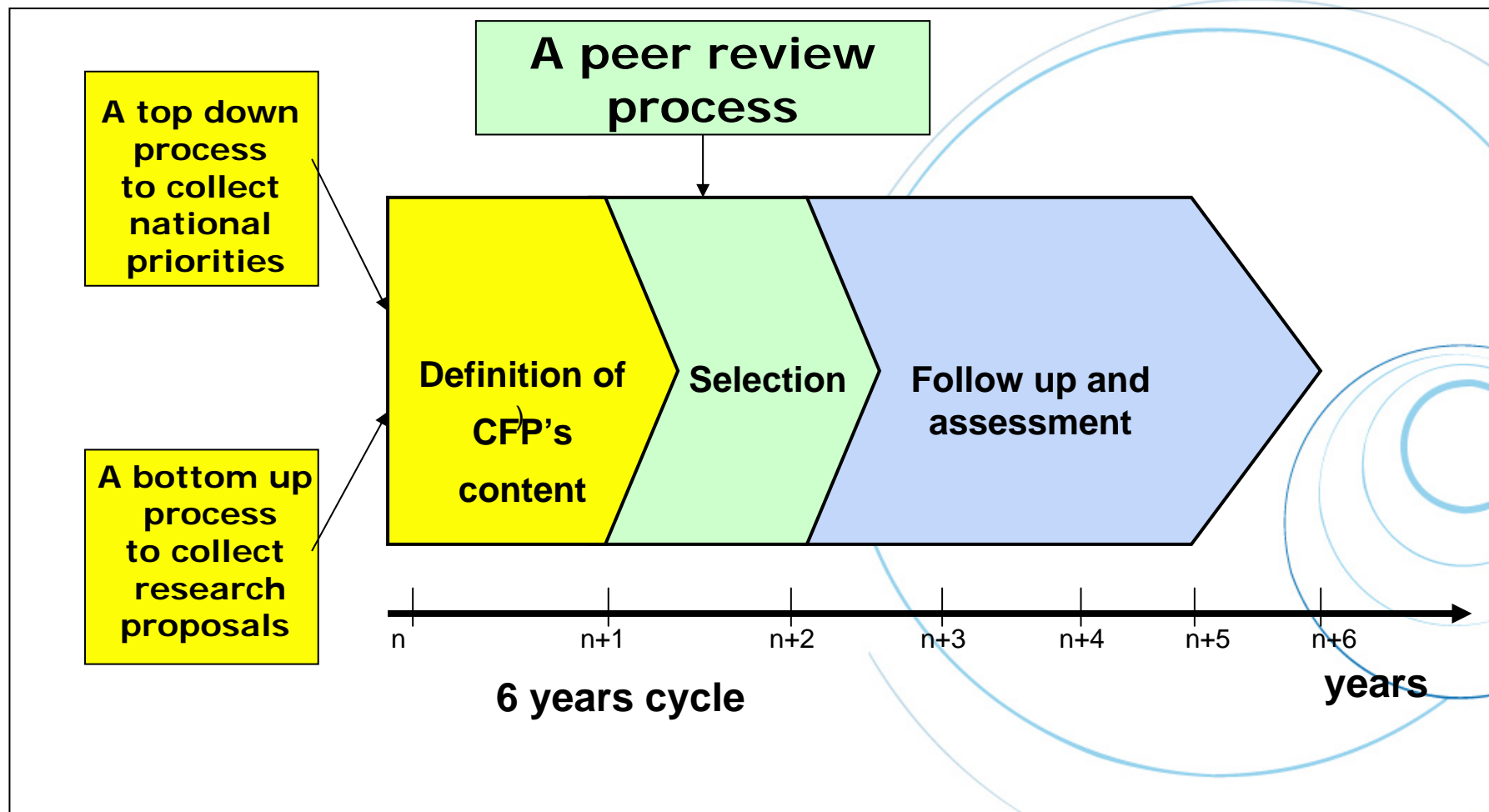


Pursuit and extension of cooperation with foreign agencies (bilateral calls and ongoing quadrilateral call)

- F/Germany (DFG): SSH
- F/ UK (ESRC): Social sciences
- F/USA (NSF): SS
- F/Argentina (ANPCT): on going
- F/Japan (JST): SSH



How? 1/2





How ? 2/2

Evaluation criteria

- Theoretical and methodological context
- Originality and research outcomes
- Research design
- Qualifications of the applicants
- Feasibility of the research
- Outcomes and impact
- Justification of resources
- Value of the collaboration

How much ?

- Applications are for a minimum of two and a maximum of four years. The typical ANR project lasts for 36 months
- The average level of funding is 180 000 euros per HSS project (permanent-position researchers' stipend excluded)

When?

Just now !

Dead line in januar
Further information
www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr

The screenshot shows the ANR website homepage. At the top left is the ANR logo and the text 'AGENCE NATIONALE DE LA RECHERCHE'. To the right is the website URL 'www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr'. Below the URL are four small images: a landscape, petri dishes, blue glowing cells, and a person in a lab coat. A navigation bar contains the following links: ACCUEIL, PLAN DU SITE, GLOSSAIRE, LIENS UTILES, JOURNAL DES MISES A JOUR. On the left is a vertical menu with links: L'Agence en bref, Toute l'actualité, Appels à projets, Pôles de compétitivité, les Instituts Carnot, Concours de création d'entreprises innovantes, Autres sources de financement, Manifestations, Forum ANR, Les archives, L'ANR recrute. Below the menu is a search bar with the text 'RECHERCHER' and options 'Par thèmes' and 'Par mots-clés :'. At the bottom left is a link 'Nous contacter'. The main content area features a section titled 'L'actualité' with a sub-heading 'Programme "blanc" : 9 colloques organisés en 2007 et 2008'. It includes a small image of a lightbulb and text describing the ANR's program. Below this is another article titled 'Grand colloque STIC, près de 700 participants et la remise des Prix pour les meilleures thèses en informatique'. To the right of the main content are two callout boxes: 'A NOTER' containing 'Programmation 2008', 'Programme Interne aux Instituts Carnot : liste des projets sélectionnés', and 'Programmation 2007 : listes des projets sélectionnés'; and 'AGENDA' containing 'Séminaire sur l'Hydrogène et les Piles à Combustible'.

Thank you for your attention.....

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