

Max Planck Prince of Asturias Mobility Programme

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Qualifications

Doctoral students and postdocs in Spain must have a proven scientific track record and must not be older than 30 or 35 years of age, respectively. In order for a research residency to be worthwhile for doctoral students, they should have at least started the second year of their doctorate. The junior scientists will be involved in an ongoing project at the Max Planck Institute thus creating added value for their scientific education.

Funding

To fund the guest residency, the Spanish partner (university, research facility) receives project funds of a maximum of € 5,008 (doctoral students) or of a maximum of € 8,112 (postdocs) ad personam from which the following costs can be met:

- Travel costs pursuant to the German Federal Travel Expenses Act (*Bundesreisekostengesetz*)
- Equipment

Nomination procedure and conditions

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Nomination documents

The nomination is to be made to the President of the Max-Planck-Gesellschaft. The following documents must be submitted for nomination by a Max Planck Director:

1. Cover sheet (see enclosure)
2. Letter of recommendation by the person making the nomination
3. Publication list
4. Curriculum vitae
5. Project description
6. Candidate's description of the project to be carried out and confirmation from the candidate that he/she is willing to spend at least four or eight weeks at a MPI two times.
7. Letter of intent from the sending research facility in Spain to which the candidate is affiliated with confirmation that the nomination is supported.
8. Proposals for six referees - two from the Max-Planck-Gesellschaft (not from the hosting MPI), two from Spain and two from abroad excluding Spain.

Nomination documents will only be accepted in electronic form and in full (points 1 to 8). Late submission of documents is not possible.

Nomination documents must be sent by email to:

Max-Planck-Gesellschaft
Ms Renate Bischof-Drewitz
Email: bischof-drewitz@gv.mpg.de

**Nomination
for
Max Planck Prince of Asturias Mobility Programme
Cover Sheet**

Candidate for the Max Planck Prince of Asturias Mobility Programme

Name	Institution	Department	Address	Email
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Field of research:

Keywords:

Brief summary describing research activities and objectives (max 80 words):

Director of Max Planck Institute:

Name	Institute	Department	Address	Email
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Date

Signature Director of Max Planck Institute