



Dear Colleague,

We are delighted to inform you about a new Indo-French student exchange programme specifically designed for the pre-doctoral students between the State of Karnataka, India and the Bordeaux region (Aquitaine) in France. We believe this programme is a great opportunity for students to get international exposure and can help you establish or strengthen your collaboration with French research groups.

Key features of this programme:

- Open call all year long.
- All pre-doctoral students are eligible. On the Indian side, any student enrolled in higher education in India, after 12th standard and before PhD registration, is eligible. Therefore, the programme is open to students from BSc, B-Tech, M.Sc, M.Tech levels, as well as to students working in a research lab after a Masters or B-Tech and not yet registered for a PhD. The student should have an excellent track record and good motivation to continue further education with a PhD.
- Short research projects will be proposed by French and Indian Principal Investigators (PI) belonging to Universities, Institutes, Engineering Schools and Industries from Aquitaine, France and Karnataka, India.
- Students will be supervised by the PI proposing the project in one country and recommended / followed by a tutor PI in the other country.
- The programme will grant research / industrial trainings for two to six months for Indian students willing to accomplish a project in Aquitaine and for French students willing to do the same in Karnataka.
- Funding is provided through the Indo-French platform CEFIPRA (www.cefipra.org), and includes travel, accommodation and a scholarship for the student to live in India or in France.

We invite you to propose a short research project for a French student to do a research internship in your laboratory under this programme. For this, please find below the template for this to send back to the two program coordinators Prof. D.D. Sarma (sarma@sscu.iisc.ernet.in) at IISc, Bangalore and Prof. Erick Dufourc (e.dufourc@cbmn.u-bordeaux.fr) in CBMN, Bordeaux. Kindly send your short research project by 20th April 2015. The research projects for pre-doctoral students will be posted on the programme website.

Already **18 projects in laboratories in Bordeaux, France, are open for students from Karnataka**: <http://www.cbmn.u-bordeaux.fr/182-aquitaine-pre-doc-proposals.html>. Kindly advertise to your students. Students must apply with a recommendation letter from a tutor PI in the applicant's country (preference will be given to the applications where tutor PI and supervisor PI work in similar areas). The selection will be made by the Indo-French Scientific Committee of the programme.

For more information on this programme, visit the Aquitaine-Karnataka Exchange website: <http://www.cbmn.u-bordeaux.fr/aquitaine-karnataka-exchange?lang=2>. In addition, please contact us if you have queries.

Yours sincerely,
Erick Dufourc and DD Sarma

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Aquitaine –Karnataka collaboration Scientific Project for Pre-PhD student exchange

Scientific Proposal

Project Title		
Scientific domain		
Summary (ca. 10 lines)		
Student profile wished		
Supervisor Name		
Supervisor @ & phone	@:	Tel:
Institute/laboratory/industry (full address)		
Director Name Institute/laboratory/industry		
Director Institute / laboratory / industry @ & phone	@:	Tel:
Timing & duration for project (give approximate ranges)		
Representative References		

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