



5 OCTOBER 2011 RESOLUTION BY THE RECTOR OF CARLOS III UNIVERSITY OF MADRID TO OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCE GRANTS FOR THE SELECTION OF RESEARCHERS OF EXCELLENCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CARLOS III UNIVERSITY OF MADRID-BANCO DE SANTANDER CHAIRS OF EXCELLENCE PROGRAMME FOR THE 2012/2013 ACADEMIC YEAR

In fulfilment of the 27 September 2007 Governing Council agreement by which the Carlos III University of Madrid-Banco de Santander Chairs of Excellence, in order to promote excellence in research and attract frontline researchers from the international university and research community, were approved, and in accordance with the Collaboration Agreement signed by both organisations on 30 May 2011,

I RESOLVE to call for TEN Chairs of Excellence for the 2012/2013 academic year, which will be done in accordance with the following:

1. Grant purpose and conditions for awarding the chairs

The call is for TEN ANNUAL GRANTS for the amount of 120.000 euros each. These grants may be awarded to a single beneficiary for the total sum or to two different beneficiaries for a period of six months and the amount of 60.000 euros for each grant.

The grant is an invitation from Carlos III University of Madrid to research in it.

2. Candidate requisites

Candidates must be researchers, professors belonging to a foreign University or research centre of recognised prestige.

3. Applications

Applications, which must be endorsed by the Department Head or Research Group leader, are to be submitted to the Registry Office of Carlos III University of Madrid or in accordance with Art. 38.4 of Law 30/1992 of the Legal System for Public Administration and Common Administrative Procedures, and will be addressed to the Vice Rector of Faculty and Departments, and must be accompanied, at minimum, by the following documents:

- a. Curriculum vitae of the applicant
- b. Explanatory report on the project to be developed by the researcher during his stay at Carlos III University of Madrid (maximum length of two pages)



- c. A letter indicating the endorsement of the department, institute or research group at Carlos III University of Madrid.

The deadline for submitting applications is 15 November 2011.

Applications may also be sent in advance by e-mail to the following address:

catedras@uc3m.es

4. Awarding the grants

The beneficiaries will be selected by an Evaluation Committee, named by the Governing Council at the Rector's behest, presided over by the Vice rector of Faculty and Departments and composed of:

- Five Senior Professors from Carlos III University of Madrid.
- Three researchers of recognised prestige who do not belong to Carlos III University of Madrid.

The Committee will assess the applications that have been received and will submit an awards proposal to the Governing Council and will establish, if applicable, a prioritised reserve list.

The Governing Council will make the awards taking into account these two criteria: (i) increasing the number of departments assigned Chairs of Excellence; (ii) maximum number of semesters assigned to each department. This maximum number is established in accordance with the total points obtained by the departments for research merit provided for in the 2009 official announcement on *Extra pay related to individuals merits for professors*, and is as follows:

The following departments will have a maximum of four semesters: Materials Science and Engineering and Chemical Engineering, International Law, Ecclesiastical Law and Philosophy of Law, Public State Law, Economics, Business Administration, Statistics, Computer Science, Telematic Engineering, Mathematics, and Signal and Communications Theory.

The following departments will have a maximum of three semesters: Library Science and Documentation, Private Law, Physics, Humanities: Philosophy, Language and Literature Theory, Electrical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Systems Engineering and Automation, Thermal and Fluids Engineering, Journalism and Audiovisual Communication and Electronic Technology.

The remaining departments will have a maximum of two semesters.

Within a one-month period from the time the award decision is communicated to the beneficiaries, they must expressly declare their acceptance. Should said acceptance fail to occur within the established time period, the following candidate on the reserve list established by the Committee will be proposed.



5. Rights and obligations of grant beneficiaries

In general, the beneficiaries will have the following rights:

- a) The collaboration and support of Carlos III University of Madrid for the normal development of their research in their area of expertise, according to availability.
- b) Freedom and independence to carry out the activities of the Chair, notwithstanding coordination with the corresponding Department.
- c) Payment of the grant in the manner established by the present guidelines.
- d) Health assurance coverage for the beneficiary and, if applicable, spouse and children.

In general, the researcher will have the following obligations:

- a) Join Carlos III University of Madrid for the duration of the Chair.
- b) Submit a report on the activity they carried out within a month from finishing their stay at the University.
- c) Credit, in any papers arising from this activity, the participation of Carlos III University of Madrid and the grant collaboration agreement for the selection of researchers of recognised prestige between Carlos III University of Madrid and Banco Santander.
- d) Participate, throughout the duration of the Chair, by giving seminars and conferences as well as conducting interviews on areas related to the endowment, so as to maximize to the fullest their University stay.

6. Obligations of Carlos III University of Madrid

In general, Carlos III University of Madrid has the following obligations:

- a) Provide the Chair beneficiaries with the necessary support and supply them with the means, tools and equipment required for the normal development of their work.
- b) Safeguard the appropriate development of their work.

7. Payment

The amount of the grant will be allotted to cover all the expenses of the beneficiary's stay and travel.

Payment will be made directly to the beneficiaries by Carlos III University of Madrid, in accordance with the following specifications:



The beneficiary will receive payment of the grant from the University in the following manner:

- 40 % during the first month of their activity,
- 30 % when 50 % of the time period for their activity has elapsed,
- 30 % upon finishing their activity.

The grants included herein are subject to the fiscal obligations which, if applicable, are established by current legislation.

8. Final review

In the period of one month from the end of the stay at the University, the beneficiaries must submit a report of the activity that has been carried out.

Additionally, the Department Head or Research Group leader who endorsed the application must submit a report on the work the researcher has carried out.

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