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ITALY – USA SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY COOPERATION CALL FOR JOINT RESEARCH PROPOSALS

In the framework of the Scientific and Technological Cooperation Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Italy and the Government of the United States of America the procedures to draft the Joint Declaration on Scientific and Technological Cooperation for the years 2019-2021, are hereby initiated. To this purpose, the Italian Party issues a call for proposals of joint research projects.

Proposals shall concern scientific and technological activities exhibiting strong bilateral cooperation either by strengthening existing or creating new collaborations or joint laboratories, aimed to concrete industrial impacts, or targeting relevant scientific objectives.

The present call concerns only joint research projects of “Particular Relevance”.

The contribution granted by the Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation is intended as a COFUNDING of the selected projects and therefore, a significant funding contribution by the coordinating Italian Institution and and/or other public/private Italian Institutions, is mandatory.

Areas of cooperation:

Projects must be submitted in one of the following priority research areas:

1. Health and life sciences: 1. precision medicine in oncology and related biotechnologies 2. innovative technologies for health in aging (including robotics);
2. Physics and Astrophysics;
3. Resilience to natural disasters;
4. ICT limited to advanced materials and manufacturing, smart cities, cyber security and quantum communications.

Projects submitted in other areas of cooperation will not be considered for evaluation.

Eligibility condition:

The Italian coordinator must have the Italian nationality or any other EU nationality, provided she/he is legally resident in Italy;

Each project coordinator can submit only one proposal;

The US coordinator has to provide clear evidence of available funds (i.e. Grant Number) for carrying out the research activities proposed in the project.

Project requirements:

- a. Projects must be drafted in English;
- b. Projects must have the same duration of the Joint Declaration;
- c. A full proposal consists of: 1. a description of the working team; 2. a description of the research activities that the team intend to carry out within the project timeframe; 3. a detailed description of the project cost;

d. An endorsement letter, signed by the legal representative of the applying Institution, shall be provided by email at Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation.

Deadline: 22/05/2018, h 12:00 (CEST)