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## 1. SCHEDULE

**Opening** of the call on the web-based application of the F.R.S.-FNRS '[SEMAPHORE](#)' for online submission: **THURSDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2019**.

**Deadlines** are mentioned in the table below.

INSTRUMENTS		TÉLÉVIE CALL 2019			
		DEADLINE <sup>1</sup> TO ACCESS THE E-FORM	ELECTRONIC VALIDATION DEADLINES <sup>1</sup>		
			MAIN PROMOTER	CO-PROMOTERS	RECTOR
Standard Télévie	TLV	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> February at 2 p.m.	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> February at 2 p.m.	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> February at 2 p.m.	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> February at 2 p.m.
Télévie Research Project	PDR-TLV		APPLICANT	PROMOTER	
Grant F.R.S.-FNRS – Télévie Renewal	GRANT-REN	-	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> February at 2 p.m.	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> February at 2 p.m.	

The F.R.S.-FNRS will give Télévie fellows who may be granted with a grant renewal (GRANT-REN) access to the electronic form via the [SEMAPHORE](#) application.

The decision to allocate the grants will be made by the Board of Trustees of the Fund for Scientific Research-FNRS (F.R.S.-FNRS) in June 2019. Télévie projects will start on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2019.

## 2. INSTRUMENTS

Télévie Call instruments are featured in the table below.

	Duration	Budget	Features	
Standard Télévie TLV	1 year or 2 years	No limitation	<b>Single or cross-university project</b>	
			➤ Personnel <sup>2</sup>	Employer
			○ Ph.D. student (no CV required)	F.R.S.-FNRS
			○ Part-time specialist doctor applicant to a clinical Ph.D. (no CV required)	Hospital
			○ Identified postdoc with salary requested for 2 years	F.R.S.-FNRS
			○ Identified short-term postdoctoral researcher with grant requested for 2 years	University
			○ Technician	University
➤ Operating Equipment <sup>3</sup>				

<sup>1</sup> All times are Brussels local time.

<sup>2</sup> Certain categories of personnel are subject to an annual limitation referred under section 5.3.

<sup>3</sup> Only small equipment relevant to carry out the project will be considered.

	Duration	Budget	Features	
Télévie Research Project PDR-TLV	2 years	Max. €250k <sup>4</sup>	<b>Ambitious cross-university project</b>	
			➤ Personnel	Employer
			○ <b>A min. of 1 unidentified PhD full-time equivalent</b> requested for the project:	
			- Full-time Ph.D. student	University
			- Part-time specialist doctor applicant to a clinical Ph.D.	Hospital
			○ Identified postdoc with salary requested for 2 years	University
			○ Identified short-term postdoctoral researcher with grant requested for 2 years	University
○ technician	University			
			➤ Operating	
			➤ Equipment: €200k max. for the duration of the project	

For all categories of personnel to be recruited as part of the PDR-TLV, the promoter shall contact the relevant department of her/his university to obtain an estimate of the personnel costs based on the scientific seniority. **Amounts cannot be changed after application submission.** As recalled certain categories of personnel are subject to an annual limitation referred under section 5.3.

### 3. APPENDICES

#### Deadlines for receiving documents

Personnel categories	Deadlines in 2019	Document
Postdoctoral researcher <u>and</u> Short-term postdoctoral researcher	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	Certificate of achievement or copy of the doctoral degree to attach to the form
	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	In case the applicant is not holder of a Ph.D. after defence of a thesis by 20 <sup>th</sup> February 2019: certificate of achievement or copy of the doctoral degree to send by email to <a href="mailto:credits-projets@frs-fnrs.be">credits-projets@frs-fnrs.be</a>
Télévie fellow applying for a grant renewal	Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> May	<a href="#">Advisory opinion</a> from the Supervisory Panel (Thesis Advisory Committee)

### 4. CHANGES COMPARED TO CALL 2018

#### 4.1 PDR-TLV cumulation rule

The number of applications that can be submitted within a call as a main promoter is limited to a single application for PDR-TLV instrument.

Promoters in charge of an ongoing PDR-TLV may apply for a new PDR-TLV application as from the second year of funding.

#### 4.2 Personnel category Technician

Holders of a Ph.D. obtained after defence of a thesis may not be recruited under the category "Technician". Holders of a master degree may be recruited under this category.

<sup>4</sup> Annual average for the duration of the project.

However, they should not be enrolled in a Ph.D. programme and they may not apply for Ph.D. programme.

#### 4.3 New personnel category: part-time specialist doctor applicant to a clinical Ph.D.

<b>Objective</b>	Part-time specialist doctor applicants to a clinical Ph.D. shall pursue their studies leading to a Ph.D. in Medical Sciences or Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Sciences in a university of the French-speaking Community of Belgium which has a faculty of medicine offering a complete curriculum, and undertake an Advanced Master simultaneously while pursuing a part-time activity in a hospital.
<b>Eligibility</b>	Part-time specialist doctor applicants to a clinical Ph.D. must have obtained the academic degree of Medical Doctor.
<b>Employer</b>	<p>The hospital where part-time specialist doctor applicants to a clinical Ph.D. carry out their clinical activity is their employer and shall remunerate them.</p> <p>The F.R.S.-FNRS will reimburse half of the full-time annual cost of the part-time specialist doctor applicants to a clinical Ph.D. to the hospital. Cost (on-call duties not included) includes salary cost plus all direct and indirect salary costs. The F.R.S.-FNRS reimbursement is limited to an annual amount referred under section 5.3.</p>

## 5. SPECIFIC REMARKS

### 5.1 Doctoral personnel

The identity of the doctoral personnel is not required when submitting an application. After granting and identification, the doctoral personnel shall **not be replaced in case of discontinuation**.

### 5.2 Postdoctoral personnel

The candidate requested among the Postdoctoral Researcher and Short-term Postdoctoral Researcher categories **must be identified**, and a [curriculum vitae](#) respecting the template provided shall be attached when submitting an application. Those candidates should be holding a doctoral academic degree obtained after the defence of a thesis and delivered by an academic institution by 1<sup>st</sup> May of the year when submitting the application at the latest.

The postdoctoral personnel identified to be recruited **must be requested for two years**. Employment shall be effective in a host laboratory different from the laboratory of the thesis supervisor, and may be renewed for two years.

### 5.3 Personnel costs

Specialist doctor applicants to a clinical Ph.D., Technician and Short Term Postdoctoral Researcher categories are limited to an annual amount, calculated in proportion of the services provided. Limitations in force for 2020 are the following:

➤ Specialist doctor applicants to a clinical Ph.D.	€50,700- (part-time)
➤ Technician	€29,600- (part-time); €58,300- (full time)
➤ Short Term Postdoctoral Researcher	€51,700- (full time)

### 5.4 Operating credit allocated to researchers (standard TLV instrument)

An operating credit may be provided for the doctoral and postdoctoral personnel according to their full time or part-time activity, depending on the financial resources available.

### 5.5 Ethical aspects

As from 2018, in order to reduce the Ethics Committees workload and to make the administrative procedures more flexible for applicants, the researchers concerned by ethical

questions will be required to submit their questionnaire accompanied by the opinion of the Ethics Committee to the FRS-FNRS only in case of granting. Funding will be subject to a favourable opinion of the Committee (decision of the Board of Trustees of the F.R.S.-FNRS on 4 October 2017).

## 6. CONTENT OF A PROPOSAL

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Applicants will have the choice to write their proposal either in French or in English.

The F.R.S.-FNRS insists on **strict compliance with the instructions given for each part of the proposal** (scientific section relevant to the instrument selected, number of pages allowed for documents to be enclosed with the application form...) and stresses again the sovereign consideration of the Scientific Commissions assessing the application file.

**NOTICE: no further changes or modification** can be made in the proposal after the validation deadline fixed for the main promoter.

The application file includes the main sections described below:

**PRE-FORM** - for administrative purpose only

➤ **TLV/PDR-TLV**

### FULL FORM

#### PART 1: PROJECT ET PROMOTERS

➤ **TLV/PDR-TLV**

1. References of the application (funded proposals are released and made public on the [F.R.S.-FNRS website](#)).
  - **Title**, in French and English (max. 200 characters each, including spaces) and,
  - **Summary**, in French and English (max. 2000 characters each, including spaces).
2. Selection of descriptors fields
3. Bibliometric indicators
  - + Scientific Curriculum vitae and publications list<sup>5</sup> (PDF file)
4. Scientific proposal (PDF file) and ethical aspects
5. Promoters' Statement

#### PART 2: BUDGET

➤ **TLV/PDR-TLV**

1. Justification for the resources requested
2. Requested budget: Operating
3. Requested budget: Equipment
4. Requested budget (Personnel): Scientific Ph.D. student
5. Requested budget (Personnel): Postdoctoral researcher (appendices required: [CV](#), copy of degree)
6. Requested budget (Personnel): Technician
7. Requested budget (Personnel): Part-time specialist doctor applicant to a clinical Ph.D.
8. Promoters' Statement

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<sup>5</sup> Promoters who have been working for 2 years at least in institutions of the French-speaking Community of Belgium (CFB) that have set up an institutional repository (IR) must absolutely submit their publications list in a PDF format, directly created from this repository, and choose the appropriate F.R.S.-FNRS format.

Luxemburg promoters may complete their publications list using the template provided: [FR](#) - [EN](#).

## SCIENTIFIC PART – template provide to complete (mandatory)

### ➤ TLV

#### [TLV template](#)

1. Brief report on previous works
2. Description of the project
3. Publications and environment of the main promoter
4. Publications of the other promoters
5. Interactions and distribution of the tasks between the main promoter and co-promoters
6. National/international collaborations

### ➤ PDR-TLV

#### [PDR-TLV template](#)

1. Brief report on previous works
2. Description of the project
3. Publications and environment of the main promoter
4. Publications of the other promoters
5. Interactions and distribution of the tasks between the main promoter and co-promoters
6. National/international collaborations

## 7. TLV AND PDR-TLV APPLICATIONS EXAMINATION

### ➤ CRITERIA

Criteria that will be taken into account for the evaluation applications are the following:

- Quality of the promoters,
- Quality of the project,
- Quality of the scientific personnel (postdoctoral researchers and short-term postdoctoral researchers' categories).

For the PDR-TLV, the adequacy of the requested budget with regard to the submitted research programme will also be evaluated. The Scientific Commission may reduce the requested budget up to a maximum of 15%. If the adequacy between the research programme and the requested budget is not justified and appears to require a reduction of more than 15%, the research programme will not be deemed fundable.

### ➤ ASSESSMENT OF THE DOCTORAL PERSONNEL

The CV and identity of the doctoral personnel requested are not required in the application form.

In case the opinion from the Télévie Scientific Commission is positive towards the project, promoters will be able to propose candidates by the end of June or in mid-September, depending on the candidate's situation, whether s/he is a graduate or about to be graduated in June or in September.

The Bureau of the Scientific Commission will be in charge of the evaluation in two steps:

- CV submitted by the end of June: evaluation between July 2<sup>nd</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>;
- CV submitted after June, until September 15<sup>th</sup>: evaluation between September 17<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>.

CV should be submitted by the promoter, and they will be evaluated by the Bureau of the Scientific Commission via the dedicated platform E-Space.

## 8. OPEN ACCESS POLICY

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The Board of Trustees of the F.R.S.-FNRS has decided to endorse the principle of Open access to publicly funded research. This support has led to the implementation of an institutional mandate providing Open access to publications from F.R.S.-FNRS funded research projects and researchers under the “Open Access Green Road” business model.

This [mandate](#) specifies the conditions under which the F.R.S.-FNRS grant recipients shall store, when possible, all the funded research results of which they are authors or co-authors in their institution's repository.

### **Reminder to the research community:**

Any scientific publication resulting partially or fully from the funding allocated via the instruments as part of the “Télévie” Call shall mention the source of the funding as follows: “*This work was supported by the Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique - FNRS under Grant(s) n° [Project number]*”. The same procedure applies to open access publications.

ALL DOCUMENTS, GUIDES AND REGULATIONS AND PRIVACY POLICY ARE AVAILABLE  
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