

AMSUD-PASTEUR IX CALL FOR REGIONAL COURSES

GUIDELINES FOR APPLICATION AND SELECTION CRITERIA

The AMSUD-Pasteur Program launches the IX Call for organization of Scientific Courses in the Southern Cone Region (Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay and Uruguay).

The main objective is to contribute to the creation of a critical mass/intellect of excellence able to respond to Public Health needs, by consolidating training and theoretical skills of students and researchers, and by strengthening network research capacities in South America.

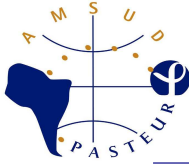
Funding will be preferentially for courses aiming at: stimulation of long-term or innovative actions in scientific domains neglected or less developed in the Region; diffusion of up-date methodology to control prevailing diseases in the Region; information about technical skills on epidemiology and operational research, vector control and biomedical research, modern tools in molecular biology, innovation and ethics.

Eligibility criteria: Applicants must belong to countries of the AMSUD-Pasteur Network (Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay and Uruguay) where scientific courses will be organized. Multidisciplinary courses organized in collaboration between scientists from Institutions Member of the AMSUD-Pasteur Network and the Institut Pasteur of Paris, France, are encouraged. Preference will be given to international and multidisciplinary courses with: participation of students from the Southern Cone Region; fellowships to facilitate the participation of such students; teachers from several countries of the Region or extra-regional.

Specific domains: Public Health, Biomedical Research, Fundamental Biology, Biotechnology and Transfer of Technology and Management.

Course Format:

- (a) **Period:** between June 2010 and December 2011.
- (b) **Length:** 2-4 weeks
- (c) **Type:** theoretical and/or practical
- (d) **Host Institutions:** Laboratories, Institutions or Universities of Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay and Uruguay.
- (e) **Number of students:** minimum of 12, maximum 50 students, depending on item (b), with a representation of students from different countries of the Region.
- (f) **Teaching team:** preferentially scientists from Institutions Member of the AMSUD-Pasteur Network and the Institut Pasteur of Paris, France, and invited colleagues from other countries.
- (g) **Language:** English, Spanish, Portuguese



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Applications: application forms should be sent electronically to the General Secretary of the AMSUD-Pasteur Program at llamadosamsud@pasteur.edu.uy.

Important: please write the word APPLICATION in the subject of the e-mail.

Treatment of proposals: the National AMSUD-Pasteur Formation Committee of the country that will host the course will initially evaluate applications. The best applications in each country will then be treated by the AMSUD-Pasteur International Advisory Board, which will provide technical expertise, follow-up, monitoring and evaluation of the courses. The International Coordination Committee, that will ensure equity and standard criteria, taking in account impact, logistic and policies of the AMSUD-Pasteur Network Agreement, will take the final decision. The AMSUD-Pasteur General Secretary will give feedbacks on course support to the organizers.

AMSUD/Pasteur Support: The AMSUD-Pasteur Program is funding each year the organization of scientific courses in the Southern Cone Region with 50.000 US\$ per year. On average, AMSUD-Pasteur funds a maximum of 10.000 US\$ per course, possibly one for each country of the AMSUD-Pasteur Network.

Deadline: April the 5th 2010.

Resolution: the General Secretary of the AMSUD-Pasteur Program will communicate the result of the evaluation around May-June 2010.