



1st CONVOCACTION OF THE ARISTOS CAMPUS MUNDUS

VISITING SCHOLAR PROGRAM

RESOLUTION ACM/R2/2016, dated 18 March 2016, by the President of the Aristos Campus Mundus 2015 Association, opening the First convocation of the Aristos Campus Mundus Visiting Scholar Program.

Internationalization is a priority activity of the Aristos Campus Mundus (ACM) project, which consists in the strategic aggregation of three Spanish universities: University of Deusto, Comillas Pontifical University and Universitat Ramon Llull, and includes an advanced strategic aggregation of three internationally prestigious North American universities: Georgetown University, Boston College and Fordham University.

The ACM project is genuinely committed to fostering network researching and ensuring a level of excellence that maximizes knowledge expansion, learning capacity and internationalization, aimed at responding to current social and economic challenges.

The aim of this grant program is to foster the internationalization of research groups that are recognized by ACM universities, distributed research centers (DRC) and/or teaching programs, preferably joint ACM programs, by attracting international talent. Visits by North American university teaching and research staff to Spain's ACM universities, both brief and extended, encourage collaboration among research groups from Boston College, Georgetown University and Fordham University and the distributed centers and ACM-recognized research groups and their teaching programs.

These collaborations will be geared to enhancing and internationalizing the research and/or teaching of the above centers and groups, with the aim of improving their international standing.

In response to these interests and in exercise of the powers granted to me,

I HEREBY RESOLVE

To convene the first convocation of the Visiting Scholar Program, according to the bases set out in the annex to this resolution.

Dr José María Guibert
President of the Aristos Campus Mundus 2015 Association
Bilbao, 18 March 2016



ANNEX

1st Convocation of the Aristos Campus Mundus Visiting Scholar Program

Article 1. Purpose

The 1st Convocation of the Aristos Campus Mundus (ACM) Visiting Scholar Program for 2016 aims at fostering the internationalization of research groups that are recognized by ACM universities, distributed research centers (DRC) and/or teaching programs, preferably joint ACM programs, by attracting international talent.

Visits by North American university teaching and research staff to Spain's ACM universities, both brief and extended, encourage collaboration among research groups from Boston College, Georgetown University and Fordham University and the distributed centers and ACM-recognized research groups and their teaching programs.

The purpose of the ACM grants is to foster collaboration among professors-researchers from Boston College, Georgetown University or Fordham University and ACM-recognized research groups and centers with brief or extended visits from a minimum of 2 weeks to a maximum of an academic term. The collaborations will be geared to enhancing and internationalizing the research and/or teaching of the above centers and groups, with the aim of improving their international standing.

Article 2. Beneficiaries

Research groups that are recognized by ACM universities, distributed research centers (DRC) and/or teaching programs, preferably joint ACM programs, can benefit from these grants.

Article 3. Focus areas

The research projects for which grants are applied for must be framed in one of the following ACM Focus Areas (FA):

- FA 1. Social innovation social and social change
- FA 2. Management and social responsibility
- FA 3. Education: innovation, competences and values
- FA 4. Health and biosciences
- FA 5. Energy and sustainability

Article 4. Activities that are eligible for financing

This internal convocation, endowed with a total of €75,000, seeks to enable ACM research groups, distributed research centers (DRC), academic program managers, preferably joint ACM programs to apply for grants to finance expenses such as living, accommodation and travel by professors-researchers from Boston College, Georgetown



University or Fordham University. Funding of the costs must comply with the economic regulations and customary practices of the visiting professors' host universities.

Article 5. Applications

The applying ACM research groups, distributed research centers (DRC) or academic program managers must submit a technical report of the project detailing its goals and budget and indicating the person from the American university that will travel to Spain.

The application must include the following documentation:

- a) CV of the visiting researcher
- b) CV of the person responsible for the requested project
- c) Letter of consent from the competent vice-rector or vice-rectors of the university or universities participating in the project

Article 6. Specific requirements of participating research staff

The selection is based on a competitive bid process by the candidates according to their academic merits as well as the scientific-technical background of the research team or teaching program applied for.

Candidates must have proven research and/or teaching prestige.

Article 7. Submission deadline and place

The period for submitting applications will open with the publication of this convocation, and remain open for two years or until the available funds have been exhausted.

Applications must be presented in electronic format with acknowledgement of receipt to the ACM Secretariat by email to convocatorias@aristoscampusmundus.net.

Article 8. Project evaluation and selection

The applications will be evaluated by the ACM Scientific Committee, which is made up of four members:

- a) The president of the ACM 2015 Association, or the person delegated for that purpose.
- b) The three competent vice-rectors in research from University of Deusto, Comillas Pontifical University and Universitat Ramon Llull or the persons delegated for that purpose.

The Committee Secretary will be the vice-rector of the university presiding the ACM 2015 Association at the time of evaluation.

The following criteria will be applied for the selection of the financed projects:

- a) The scientific-technical quality and the detailed outcome of the expected results.
- b) Prestige of the visiting professor from one of the three North American universities involved with ACM (Georgetown University, Boston College and Fordham University).



- c) CV of the person responsible for the requested project.
- d) Relevance of the teaching program the visiting researcher will participate in.
- e) Budgetary availability.

Article 9. Communication and arguments

The ACM Scientific Committee will be responsible for issuing the decision about the financed projects, with the corresponding detailed budget, and communicating it to the beneficiaries.

Objections to the resolution can be submitted within 15 calendar days of the date notification is made.

Article 10. Acceptance

Acceptance of the grant must be made using the standard form provided to the person responsible for the project, and must be duly signed by the person responsible for the application and the vice-rector or vice-rectors of the university or universities participating in the project.

The acceptance forms must be presented in electronic format with acknowledgement of receipt to the ACM Secretariat by email to convocatorias@aristoscampusmundus.net, within 15 calendar days since the date the resolution is notified.

Article 11. Monitoring and final justification

In the two months following the completion of the project, those responsible for the financed projects must present an explanatory scientific report including a brief description of the work performed and the obtained results.

The person responsible for the application must present an explanatory economic report including original receipts of the incurred expenses.

In any case, justification of the expenses must comply with the economic regulation and customary practices of the visiting professors' host universities.

Expense justification must be presented using a standard form in electronic format with acknowledgment of receipt to the ACM Secretariat by email to convocatorias@aristoscampusmundus.net.

Article 12. Disbursement of grants

Disbursement of the grant will be conditional upon the presentation of the final economic justification and a positive evaluation of the explanatory memory submitted.

Article 13. Research results

All the publications, papers, courses, communications and general dissemination events derived from the activity financed by these grants must include a mention to and the logo of Aristos Campus Mundus (ACM) as the funding entity.