Call for Nominations of German Scholars for the CSIR-Humboldt Reciprocity Research Award for 2009





Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR) invites nominations from Institutes under major scientific agencies and Institutes of National Importance in Academic Sector of eminent German scholars to spend 2 weeks to 6 months at the research institutions in India. Entire expenditure towards travel and stay will be provided by CSIR.

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CSIR has an Agreement with Humboldt Foundation, Germany for granting the CSIR-Humboldt Reciprocity Award to internationally renowned researchers of India and Germany annually in the disciplines of science and engineering in recognition of their internationally renowned past achievements in research and for promoting cooperation between India and Germany. Under this programme the award is granted to two Indian and two German experts annually to work on the research projects at their host institutes in the counterpart country. The award entitles the German award winner to spend short term/long term research stay at the Indian R&D institutions. This prestigious award is intended as a lifelong tribute to the past academic/research accomplishments of the award winners. (Information on nomination procedure for Indian experts may be downloaded from website <u>www.humboldt-foundation.de</u>)

The Alexander von Humboldt Foundation (AvH) promotes an active world-wide network of scholars. In addition to India Humboldt Foundation operates such Reciprocity Award Programmes with partner organisations in various countries like Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Denmark, Finland, France, Hungary, Israel, Japan, Korea, the Netherlands, Poland, South Africa, Spain, Sweden.

The German award winners are invited to carry out research projects of his/her own choice, which may be prepared in consultation with the Indian host institute and should be relevant to and falling in the priority/thrust areas of CSIR.

Value of Research Award

CSIR would provide international travel and hospitality in India as per the following details :

1) Per diem amount : Rs 36,000 per month (Rs 1200 per day)

2) Accommodation : in good CSIR Guest house / 3-4 star hotel wherever guest house accommodation not available.

3) Travel : Round trip airfare only once. Inter-city travel to relevant CSIR institute by air (economy) and train (first class a/c), where ever air connections are not available/not convenient.

4) Travel expenses for family: Roundtrip travel expenses upto the CSIR host institute for spouses and children aged under 18 years if accompanying the Awardee for a minimum of 4 months. CSIR can provide coordination assistance in organizing their visits to other cities in India.

5) Participation in Conference etc.: Only active participation of German Awardees in the relevant conferences/workshops in India will be supported on request by the host CSIR institutes.

Duration of stay

The award winners are invited to participate in the research activities of the Indian host R&D institutes and to carry out research projects in cooperation with the Indian colleagues for periods from 2 weeks to 4 months and extendable upto one year. Visits with longer duration will be preferred. The awardee must stay minimum for **2/3rd of his/her stay at the host CSIR institute**.

Nomination Requirements

Full professors and scholars of equivalent status engaged in non-university/applied research from the disciplines of priority of CSIR may be nominated for the Humboldt Research Award. The academic qualifications of the nominee must be internationally recognized and documented by proven success in research such as positive responses to the nominee's published work and previous distinctions.

The nominating scientist/institute is required to guarantee that sufficient infrastructure, material, equipment and the assisting staff are available and access to archives and libraries is assured, enabling nominees to successfully carry out research projects. Indian hosts must make all necessary arrangements for award winners' research visit to India and be responsible for their well being (e.g. arranging accommodation, travel etc).

Nomination Procedure

CSIR makes call for proposals only once a year for inviting nominations of German Scholars for CSIR-Humboldt Research Award. The applications must be made as per the prescribed format and submitted to CSIR HQs. Decision on nominations is made by CSIR Selection Committee, which meets only once a year.

Institutes falling under major scientific agencies and Institutes of National Importance in Academic Sector may make nominations jointly with relevant CSIR institute. The area of research of the German awardee should however, fall under the priority/thrust areas of CSIR and the German awardee would need to spend minimum 2/3rd of the total stay at the relevant CSIR institute(s). 10 copies of the nominations applications may be sent to Head, ISTAD, Council of Scientific & Industrial Research, Anusandhan Bhavan,2, Rafi Marg, New Delhi-110001 latest by **September 30, 2008**.

Nomination documents should essentially include

- the completed nomination form;
- a chronological list of nominee's academic publications from the past 10 years;
- some off-prints and copies of the nominee's important, more recent academic publications;
- names (with correct postal addresses) of at least three foreign, three German and three Indian scientists or scholars who can provide information about the qualifications, scientific contribution in the area of research of the nominee. Please do not cite referees from either the nominee's or your own institution.
- a draft of the project (two to three pages) outlining the research the nominee would like to conduct if invited to come to India as an award winner.

Annexure –I

| CSIR - | Humboldt | Reciprocity | / Research | Awards | 2009 |
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| I. Personal details of the Nominee | | | | |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--|--|
| Family name | | Given name(s) | | |
| Date of Birth (dd.mm.y | vy) | | | |
| Nationality | | | | |
| Year of employment | | (year) | | |
| Marital Status | | Number of children | | |
| General scientific area | | - | | |
| Speciality | | | | |
| Current professional p | osition | Title (with tenure) | | |
| If employed in an induposition | stry, please state exact | Which year was this position attained? | | |
| IIa. Institution at which th | e Nominee is currently w | orking | | |
| University/Institution | | | | |
| Department/Institute | | | | |
| Street, P.O. Box | | | | |
| ZIP Code | City | | | |
| Country | | | | |
| Tel. | Fax. | E-Mail | | |
| IIb. Private Address | | | | |
| Street, P.O. Box | | | | |
| ZIP Code | City | Country | | |
| Tel. | Fax. | E-Mail | | |

| III. Information concerning the Nomination | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|--|
| Proposed period of stay in India. Splitting in periods of shorter duration is possible. | | | | |
| From - to Total number of months | | | | |
| (CSIR can provide travel expenses for one round-trip only) | | | | |
| In which research projects will the nominee be involved during his/her stay in India? (Please state in English) | | | | |
| a) Projects/ topics: | | | | |
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| b) Key words (up to 5): | | | | |
| c) Brief summary: | | | | |
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| Does the nominee plan to visit CSIR institutes other than the host institute or participate in meetings or symposia during his/her stay in India ? | | | | |
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| Whether German Scholar will be accompanied by family members (spouse and children under the age of 18) during his/her stay in India, please state: | | | | |
| Name Date of birth Anticipated duration of stav in months | | | | |
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| Travel expenses for one round-trip only (to and fro the host institute) can be provided | | | | |
| CSIR if the family members stay with the awardee for at least 4 months) | | | | |
| Knowledge of English language: Very Good Sufficient Poor | | | | |
| Proficiency (please mark with a cross): | | | | |

IV. Information on Nominating Institute

- 1. Name of the inviting Institute
- 2. Name of the Inviting Scientist

Telephone Fax

E-Mail

- 3. If the nominating Institute is a non-CSIR institute, has the application been made jointly with CSIR institute. Please name the institute & the scientist.
- 4. Is the application made in the priority/ thrust areas of CSIR.
- 5. Existing interaction / cooperation with the Nominee
- 6. Expected benefit from the visit to the inviting institute/ CSIR
- 7. Suggestions of inviting institute on relevant visit of nominee to other CSIR institutions (alongwith dates and duration at each place)
- 8. Detailed statement on the academic qualifications, scientific contribution of the Nominee
- 9. Statement confirming availability of sufficient non-financial resources (infrastructure, assisting staff etc) and equipment as well as access to archives and libraries, so that it is possible for nominees to accept the invitation to conduct research projects in the inviting CSIR institute.

Directors Recommendations :

Signature of Inviting Scientist

Names and addresses of foreign scientists who can provide information on the nominee's qualification:

| Title | Family name | Given name |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| University/Institution | | |
| Department/Institute | | |
| Street/P.O. Box | | |
| ZIP Code | City | |
| Country | | Fax & Email |

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| Department/Institute | | |
| Street/P.O. Box | | |
| ZIP Code | Citv | |
| Country | | Fax & Email |

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| ZIP Code | Citv | |
| Country | | Fax & Email |

Names and addresses of German scientists who can provide information on the Nominee's qualification:

| Title | Family name | Given name |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| University/Institution | | |
| Department/Institute | | |
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Names and addresses of Indian scientists who can provide information on the nominee's qualification:

| Title | Family name | Given name |
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| University/Institution | | |
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| ZIP Code | City | |
| Country | | Fax & Email |

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