

2008
Max Planck Society for the Advancement of Science
and
Department of Science & Technology (India)

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PREPARATION OF
NOMINATIONS/APPLICATIONS FOR
MAX PLANCK VISITING FELLOWSHIPS**

2008 call for nominations for Max Planck Visiting Fellowships issued jointly by the Max Planck Society and the Indian Department of Science & Technology.

Programme Description

General

Max Planck Visiting Fellowships are travel grants by which to cooperation between young Indian scientists and MPI is to be initiated

Qualification Criteria

Max Planck Visiting Fellowships are a distinction and are awarded to scientifically outstanding, promising and talented young Indian scientists not older than 35 years. Candidates must hold a doctors degree and have a proven research record and profile. For the candidate to have previously visited at an MPI is an asset, not a prerequisite. Candidates for Visiting Fellowships must be affiliated to an Indian research institution.

Funding

Fellowship Holders will receive from MPG a sum of 3,000 EURO p.a. for up to four years. Max Planck Visiting Fellowships are matched by the DST with additional funding for travel.

Application Modalities

The programme "Max Planck Visiting Fellowships for Indian Scientists" will be open to all Max Planck Institutes (MPI) and all research institutions in India. An open call will be issued through MPG and DST. Two procedures are applicable to bring forward suitable candidates: i) Candidates for Fellowship can apply directly to DST, conditional that secure the nomination of the Director of an MPI. ii) Directors of MPI nominate candidates to MPG.

Nominations by Directors of MPI and applications by candidates themselves must always be submitted in parallel, with one original and duly signed copy each of application from candidates applying directly to DST being sent to DST and MPG respectively and one original and duly signed copy each of nominations by Directors of MPI to MPG being sent to MPG and DST respectively.

Documents to be submitted

The following documents must be submitted, both by the Director of a MPI nominating a candidate to MPG and by candidates for the Visiting Fellowships applying directly to DST:

1. Detailed letter of reference (laudation) from the Director of MPI
2. List of publications
3. Curriculum vitae
4. Project description

5. An outline by the candidate on the intended cooperation with the MPI and a statement by the candidate that he/she is willing to spend minimum 1 month p.a. at the MPI
6. Letter of intent from the Director IPI to which the candidate is affiliated supporting the nomination and accepting the conditions as set forth.
7. Cover Page (see below)

Please ensure to send only fully completed applications containing all documents under points 1-7 above.

Documents to be sent to the Max Planck Society:

Send one signed original application to:

Max Planck Society
Mr. Michael Nagel
Division of International Relations
Hofgartenstr. 8
D-80539 München
Germany

and electronically to:

Mr. Michael Nagel: E-mail: nagel@gv.mpg.de

Documents to be sent to DST:

Send one signed original application to DST.

Please contact: Mr. RK Sharma, Scientist B, International Division, Department of Science & Technology, Technology Bhavan, New Mehrauli Road, New Delhi 110 016 (E-mail: Sharma_rk@nic.in).

Deadline for submitting Nominations/Applications:

Nominations/Applications must be submitted to MPG and DST by 30 August 2008.

**Nomination
For
Max Planck Visiting Fellowships
Cover Page**

Candidate for the Fellowship

Name	Institution	Department	Address	E
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Field of research:

Key words:

Brief summary describing research activities and objectives (max 80 words):

Director of Max Planck Institute:

Name	Institute	Department	Address	E
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Date

Signature