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VUB-Research Contingent

Call 2009 for applications for a
Research Fellowship
starting 1 October 2010
(incl. renewals cfr. regulations III.A.1.3.3° RvB 06.10.2009)

http://rd-ir.vub.ac.be/en_GB/news/show/id/1209

In maintaining and extending a specific group of postdoctoral research fellowships intended for excellent researchers, the VUB demonstrates its commitment to pioneering research initiated and carried forward by the curiosity of the individual research worker. The availability of such research fellowships is intended not only to encourage research in general but also to widen the opportunities for a university career in research and to enable the university to implement a staffing policy to this end.

Within this framework, applications are invited for a full time **Research Fellow**, to be appointed on grounds of personal excellence and in line with topics given priority in the University's research policy.

Starting date: **1 October 2010.**

Terms: The research fellow's work will be primarily research, with a maximum of 120 teaching hours per year (i.e. 60 teaching hours per semester).

Contract duration: 5 years, renewable. The Research Fellowships were set up with a period of 10 years' research in mind: 5 years initially and a further 5 years after positive evaluation.

Topics:

Applications for a first 5-year term should envisage research topics in one of the following fields (it is not necessary to cover a whole field):

- 1. Experimental particle physics at accelerators**
- 2. Preparing the ground for gene therapy: obtaining cured and transplantable cells**
- 3. Aspects of individual or social transformation from the perspective of the social sciences and humanities**

Information about research at the VUB in these fields may be obtained from the VUB web site (<http://www.vub.ac.be/english/infoabout/research/index.php>).

Requirements: An excellent research record on the basis of international peer review is the most important selection criterium. As a formal minimum requirement, applicants must hold a Ph.D. awarded on the basis of an original thesis. The call is aimed at researchers whose expertise is internationally recognized after three or more full years of postdoc experience.

Contact person: Professor L. Wyns, Vicerector responsible for Research
(tel. 32-(0)2-629.21.08, fax 32-(0)2-629.36.40, e-mail vicerector.onderzoek@vub.ac.be).

Applications:

- Applicants are requested to use the Research Council's application form, which may be downloaded from <http://rd-ir.vub.ac.be/> or obtained from the Research & Development Dept. (R&D, tel. 32-(0)2-629.21.08). The relevant regulations may be obtained from the same source.
- The application should be sent to the Rector of the Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Pleinlaan 2, 1050 Brussel. A copy of the application should be submitted at the same time to the Vicerector responsible for Research, via the R&D department.

Deadline: Applications should be sent to arrive at the Rector's office **at the latest on Monday 23 November 2009, before 17:00 local time.**