

RULES and REGULATIONS
L'OREAL– UNESCO FOR WOMEN IN SCIENCE
Czech Republic
2019 EDITION

Please carefully read the eligibility criteria. Some restrictions apply.

1. Introduction

Application for the 13th edition of the Czech fellowship program "For Women in Science" organized by L'Oréal Česká Republika and supported by the Czech commission of UNESCO and Czech Academy of Science is open.

The purpose of the Czech fellowship program L'Oréal-UNESCO For Women in Science is to recognize and support the career of talented women scientists in the Czech Republic because women are underrepresented in research.

Application can be submitted by Czech women scientists. Three scientists will be awarded 200 000 CZK each. All required information, including the application form, is available on www.forwomeninscience.com.

Do not hesitate and apply because the world needs science and science needs women!

2. Eligibility Criteria

Eligibility criteria for the scientists participating in the project:

- Czech nationality
- Doctoral degree in a doctoral study programme – in the fields of **Life and Chemical sciences** (such as biology, biochemistry, biophysics, genetics, physiology, neurosciences, biotechnologies, ecology etc.) or in **Physical sciences** (such as physics, chemistry, mathematics, engineering, technologies, information sciences, science of the Earth and space etc.).
- Relevant research to be implemented in the Czech Republic.
- The award of 200 000 CZK to be used to support research in the Czech Republic
- Applicants must be below the age of 40 on February 28, 2019 - closing date of the call for applications. The path to the award is then completely open.
- The application form of 13th year of project *For Women In Science* can be submitted from **1st December 2018 to 28th February 2019**.

3. Application Form and Supporting Documents

Eligible applicants must provide, **in English**:

a) a duly completed application form (applications can only be submitted electronically through the online platform: www.forwomeninscience.com)

- b) a copy of Ph.D. degree;
- c) professional Curriculum vitae (CV)
- d) recommendation of a superior researcher or head of the research institution where the project will be implemented (in the English language)
- e) list of published work and citations in accordance with the Web of Science
- f) list of best published work and a short comment by the applicant in the English language as to the importance of the results published
- g) description of the proposed research in the following 12 months after receiving the award, in the English language, with the maximum scope of 2 pages

APPLICATION PROCEDURES: No paper applications are accepted. All applications must be registered online before February 28th, 2019.

Selection of winners:

a) Once the last entry form is submitted, the expert jury will start evaluating the projects. In the first round, 12 finalists will be shortlisted and they will present their projects to the jury in April (held in Czech Academy of Science). Three winners will then be announced and video shoot medallion about their work by the project team "*For women in science*". These three winners will be granted the awards at a gala evening in June 2019.

Selection of successful applicants is made by a panel of scientists from the Czech Academy of Science and representatives from L'Oréal Česká republika and the Czech commission of UNESCO.

b) All applications will be examined by a panel comprised of experts from a variety of disciplines in **Life Sciences, Chemical Sciences** and **the Physical sciences**, who will select the best candidates in accordance with the evaluation criteria mentioned below.

c) Deliberations will take place in April 2019 at which time the panel will review and discuss the best applicants for each category. The panel composite from experts from the Czech Academy of Science and representatives from L'Oréal Česká republika and the Czech commission of UNESCO chooses the three winners. Its decision is final and without appeal. It cannot be contested or subject to explanation or justification.

d) The results will be communicated by phone or email to the winners at the end of the deliberation process. The announcement must remain confidential until the official ceremony in June 2019.

5. Obligations of the winners

- a) Pursue the research.
- b) Participate to the media training.
- c) Participate in the official ceremony and the various interviews organized in 2019 related the project L'Oréal-UNESCO *For Women in Science*.

e) Keep their announcement confidential until the official ceremony and not to contact the media.

f) The L'Oréal-UNESCO *For Women In Science* winners expressly authorize UNESCO and the L'Oréal Group including all subsidiaries to reproduce, represent and use their Image, in Czech republic and worldwide, and free of charge for advertising, commercial, promotional, internal and external, communication purposes. These photos, videos and texts will be used as elements of communication pertaining to the history of L'Oréal Group, as well as for the provision of journalistic information of the print and audio-visual media and for the illustration of articles or broadcasts on TV channels, for all formats.

The image of the L'Oréal-UNESCO *For Women In Science* winners can be used for promotion of science among the younger generation, particularly young women. A separate written authorization will be signed by each of the winners.

The term "Image" is understood as the full set of attributes of personality encompassing the image, the voice, last name, first name, signature, distinctions and titles. The use of your Image can be accompanied by all texts or legends including summaries or extracts of your thesis.

The payment of the Awards (CZK 200,000 each) will be made by an agency of L'Oréal Česká republika directly to the winners after the official ceremony, and after having received the necessary original documents for the wire transfer of funds.

Provisional Timetable

- Opening of online platform : 1st December 2018
- Applications closing date: 28th February 2019
- Selection by Jury members : 1st March to 31st March 2018
- Presentations to the Jury : April 2019
- Official Ceremony: 12th June 2019 (Organizer reserves the right to change the date of the Ceremony)