

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

Please carefully read the eligibility criteria. Some restrictions apply.

## **1. Introduction**

Application for the 3th edition of the Slovak fellowship program "For Women in Science" organized by L'Oréal Slovensko and supported by the Czech commission of UNESCO, Slovak academy of Science (SAS) and Slovak Organization for Research and Development activities (SOVVA) is open.

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

Application can be submitted by Slovak women scientists. Two scientists will be awarded 5000 EUR each. All required information, including the application form, is available on [www.forwomeninscience.com](http://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:

- a) Slovak nationality
- b) Doctoral degree in a doctoral study programme – in the fields of **Life and Chemical sciences** (such as biology, biophysics, genetics, physiology, neurosciences, biotechnologies, ecology etc.) or in **Physical sciences** (such as physics, chemistry, mathematics, engineering, technologies, science of the Earth and space etc. ).
- c) Relevant research to be implemented in the Slovak Republic.
- d) The award of 5000 EUR to be used to support research in the Slovak Republic
- e) Applicants must be below the age of 45 on March 31, 2019 - closing date of the call for applications. The path to the award is then completely open.
- f) The application form of 3<sup>rd</sup> year of project *For Women In Science* can be submitted **from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 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](http://www.forwomeninscience.com))

- b) Copy of Ph.D.
- c) Curriculum vitae in English
- d) Number of publications (Web of Science / Scopus), number of WOS / Scopus quotes
- e) List of Publications (WOS / Scopus), a list of citations for mentioned work
- f) Selection of the most important publications (max.10) and 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, with the maximum scope of 2 pages
- h) Recommendation of a superior researcher or head of the research institution where the project will be implemented (in the English language)
- i) Filled in application form

APPLICATION PROCEDURES: No paper applications are accepted. All applications must be registered online before March 31<sup>st</sup> 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 June (held in Slovak Academy of Science). Two winners will then be announced and video shoot medallion about their work by the project team "*For women in science*". These two winners will be granted the awards at a gala evening in September 2019.

Selection of successful applicants is made by a panel of scientists from the Slovak Academy of Science and representatives from L'Oréal Slovensko and the Slovak 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 June 2019 at which time the panel will review and discuss the best applicants for each category. The panel composite from experts from the Slovak Academy of Science, representatives from L'Oréal Slovensko, the Slovak commission of UNESCO and Slovak Organization for Research and Development activities chooses the two 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 September 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 Slovak 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 (EUR 5,000 each) will be made by Slovak Organization for Research and Development activities directly to the winners on October 2019, and after having received the necessary original documents for the wire transfer of funds.

### **Provisional Timetable**

- Opening of online platform : 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019
- Applications closing date: 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019
- Selection by Jury members : 1<sup>st</sup> April to 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019
- Presentations to the Jury : June 2019
- Official Ceremony: September 2019 (Organizer reserves the right to change the date of the Ceremony)