Call for incoming international mobility 2027 – 1st campaign

For stays starting between January 1st and October 1st 2027

The Collège doctoral de Bretagne is setting up a program to support incoming international mobility for doctoral researchers of foreign nationality who wish to carry out a research stay in Rennes or Brest. This program brings together several funding bodies in a "one-stop shop" to raise the profile of these initiatives and simplify both the application process for doctoral researchers and the examination of applications for institutions.

The call for mobility 2027 is financed by Rennes Métropole, Brest Métropole and the IRIS-E Project for a total of €56,600.



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General reminder of the international mobility support program

- Scientific stays must last between **3 and 6 months**;
- The financial assistance awarded is calculated according to the length of the stay: **€800 per month**;
- A "Train Bonus" of €400 is awarded for use of the train (return journey) between Rennes or Brest and the town of origin, if the journey takes more than six hours[1] ;
- Stays in France must begin no later than 1er October 2027;
- Applicants must have funding from an organisation in their country of origin or from the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MAE);
- Applicants must have sufficient financial resources, i.e. €1,900 net per month (including mobility grants); non-European applicants will be eligible for the "Passeport Talent Chercheur";
- In the month following their return from mobility, the prize-winners undertake to complete an online questionnaire, including a financial report on their stay (covering all grants received and expenses incurred);
- In the event of postponement, disruption or cancellation of the mobility project, the laureates undertake to inform Collège doctoral de Bretagne and their doctoral school without delay in order to define together the possible options, within the framework of the regulations. Reducing the length of your stay may result in a reduction in the amount granted. If no solution is found to enable departure, the mobility grant will be reimbursed;
- In the case of a stay in Brest, priority is given to research projects co-developed in partnership with a local company and/or involving an establishment located in a partner or twin city. Priority is also given to certain research themes (please refer to the mobility support program regulations for more details).

Timetable for the 1ere incoming international mobility campaign 2027

- **August 31st, 2026:** Launch of the call for applications
- **October 8th, 2026:** Deadline for applications
- **November 10th, 2026 :** Jury of selection of the awardee for the incoming mobility in Rennes
- **November 13th, 2026:** Notification of results to candidates to Rennes
- **November 17th, 2026 :** Jury of selection of the awardee for the incoming mobility in Brest
- **November 18th, 2026:** Notification of results to candidates to Brest
- **January 1st, 2027:** First mobility departures to Rennes or Brest

Detailed rules for the mobility support program

The rules for the incoming mobility support program, available on the Collège doctoral de Bretagne website, give details of how the program works.

It is essential to read them before applying.

[1] The *Chronotrains* tool can be used to estimate train journey times in Europe: https://www.chronotrains.com/fr

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In practice

Access the application form (up to and including October 8 of 2026)

BEFORE my stay

1. I respond to the online call for mobility (deadline: October 8, 2026 inclusive)
ONLY ONLINE APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED

2. I receive a reply from the Collège doctoral de Bretagne indicating whether I have been selected, put on the complementary list or not selected (November 13, 2026).

3. I sign the letter of commitment received by Collège doctoral de Bretagne and provide the required certificates (civil liability, personal accident insurance, medical repatriation).

4. I would like to contact the international mobility advisor at my host institution (contact details given in the letter of commitment) to arrange for this financial aid to be made available (The institution will make this aid available to you according to its own procedures).

5. I have made all the necessary arrangements with my research unit and my employer for my stay abroad (mission order, etc.).

AFTER my stay

6. I will mention the name of the institution providing me with financial support and insert its logo whenever possible (publications, posters, etc.).

7. I complete **the questionnaire** that will be sent to me on my return from the mobility program (financial report, scientific contribution of the stay, etc.).

IMPORTANT: I scan and upload with the return questionnaire the receipts for my expenses during my mobility (I keep the originals).

If you have any questions about this call for applications, please contact the collège doctoral de Bretagne:

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Appendix 1 - Welcome certificate

Hosting certificate for an international doctoral student

Name of host research unit in Brest or Rennes: .....

We, the undersigned, ..., director of the research unit and ..... responsible for hosting the doctoral student ....., certify that we have prepared the provisional budget for the stay with the student (this budget is attached).

We certify that the hosting of this doctoral student complies with the guidelines applicable to our research unit in terms of protection of scientific and technical potential (PPST).

We certify that our research unit is able to offer this doctoral student the working conditions required to carry out the scientific program defined with you for his or her stay.

Director of the Host Research Unit	Scientific coordinator for the doctoral student's stay
[Surname+First name]	[Surname+First name]

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Annex 2 - Financial plan for the trip

Particular attention is paid to the financial resources of applicants, to ensure that they are able to live decently in France for the duration of their stay. To this end, applicants must be able to benefit from the *Talent Researcher Passport*, which requires them to earn a minimum of €1,900 net per month (including mobility grants).

A model financing plan, which can **be downloaded from the doctoral college website**, is available to help applicants draw up a realistic financing plan that meets the eligibility conditions for the mobility support programme.

Please use this file when submitting your application online.

Our International Mobility Centres (CMI Brest or CMI Rennes) can help you with the administrative formalities (this assistance is available to all CMI member institutions or associated organisations).

Annex 3 - Amount of aid to be allocated[2]

Funder	TOTAL	Eligibility
Rennes Metropole	**24 000 €**	Doctoral researchers whose host institution is located in the Rennes metropolitan area.
Brest Metropole	**24 000€**	Doctoral researchers whose host institution is located in Brest.
IRIS-E	**11 600 €**	Doctoral researchers from institutions involved in the IRIS-E project, whose research focuses on the challenges of socio-environmental transition from an interdisciplinary, co-constructed perspective.

[2] Subject to the approval of the competent bodies of the institutions concerned

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