

**Application form for InterRidge Student and Postdoctoral Fellowship
Programme 2012**

Name of applicant:

Title of proposal:

DEADLINE: 31 MARCH 2012

PLEASE EMAIL COMPLETED APPLICATION TO THE INTERRIDGE COORDINATOR

(interridge@noc.soton.ac.uk)

I. APPLICATION SUMMARY

Applicant contact information:

Name:

Institution:

Address:

Email:

Telephone:

Fax:

Please select: Graduate student: **Postdoctoral researcher:**

Current advisor(s) contact information:

Name(s):

Institution:

Address:

Email:

Telephone:

Fax:

Proposed sponsor(s) contact information (must be in a different country than the applicant):

Name(s):

Institution:

Address:

Email:

Telephone:

Fax:

Date and duration of project (if known): (Project period is maximum 2 years, June 2012 – May 2014):

Total funds requested in US\$ (should match Part IV of this application):

Would you like to be considered for an ISA Endowment Fund Fellowship?

To check “Yes” below, you must meet one or both of the following criteria:

Criterion (a) The student/postdoc applicant is from a developing country; or

Criterion (b) The student/postdoc is NOT from a developing country but can demonstrate that the project will have direct benefits to the training of students, scientists, and/or technical programs of developing countries.

Please contact the InterRidge Coordinator (interridge@noc.soton.ac.uk) if you would like to confirm that a country can be considered as “developing.”

Please select: No: Yes, criterion a: Yes, criterion b:

If “Yes,” please complete the following four items:

(1) Complete and attach to your application:

“ISA_Endowment_Fund_Application_Form.doc” (most likely, you will fill in the checklist for Part B of this form).

(2) Attach any additional CV’s as outlined in Part V of this application.

(3) Include here a statement on the extent to which it is considered that individuals from developing countries will be able to participate in and benefit from the project:

(4) Include here a statement on the extent to which the proposed activity is consistent with the purposes and objectives of the ISA Endowment Fund (<http://www.isa.org/jm/en/efund/>):

Optional information:

What is your native language? :

List other languages in which you are fluent:

II. PROPOSAL

Please describe your proposed research project using sections (a) – (f) below (not to exceed a total of 3 pages, including figures and references):

(a) Short summary (100 words maximum; please write this for a broad scientific audience – it will be posted to the IR website if the fellowship is awarded):

(b) Background and objectives of the proposed research:

(c) Outline the approach (e.g., experimental design, observations, and/or modeling) and method(s):

(d) Specify the duration and location of the research project, and the nature of the scientific cooperation (i.e., demonstrate the international dimension of the project):

(e) Expected significance and impact of the results:

(f) References:

Please answer the following questions (g) – (k) with regard to your proposed project:

(g) How does this project differ from, or enhance your current thesis (graduate student) or postdoctoral research? Please note: The project can be either an addition to current work (by collection of new samples, additional methodology, etc.) or a separate project, but must not be an already funded part of the thesis or postdoctoral research. We expect many of the proposed projects to be a small part of a larger collaborative effort.

(h) Which InterRidge Working Group(s) is this research project most closely associated with? Our current Working Groups are listed at: <http://www.interridge.org/WGlist>.

(i) How does your proposed research further the mission of InterRidge to promote international, collaborative, and interdisciplinary studies of oceanic spreading centers?

(j) How would this fellowship provide an opportunity that you are not likely to experience otherwise?

(k) Describe how you expect this fellowship will have an impact on your career path.

Suggested reviewers (2) for the proposal (may not be advisors or mentors of the applicant):

Reviewer 1:

Reviewer 2:

III. BUDGET

- Please itemize the estimated costs for which you request assistance. The maximum allowed is \$5000 US.

We expect costs to include such items as travel to a sponsoring lab in a different country, lodging and living subsistence, shipping costs for equipment and samples from a research cruise, and perhaps sample analyses.

- Please indicate any cost sharing by the sponsoring institution, e.g., providing a berth on a cruise, provision of office or laboratory space or materials, assistance with paying for sample analyses.
- Please provide a brief (one-paragraph) justification of the requested funds.

Itemised estimated costs:

Details of cost sharing (if applicable):

Justification:

IV. RECOMMENDATION LETTERS

Please have your current advisor and proposed sponsor (listed in Part I) submit letters of recommendation to the InterRidge Coordinator (interridge@noc.soton.ac.uk) by **31 March 2012**. The letter from the advisor must certify that the project is a new addition to or a separate project from the applicant's thesis or postdoctoral research.

(Note: Fellowships supported by the ISA Endowment Fund will also require a final report from the applicant's advisor.)

V. CURRICULUM VITAE

Please attach your current CV to the application as a separate document. For guidance in preparing a CV, we suggest the following online references:

- "The Basics of Science C.V.'s" in The Chronicle of Higher Education:
<http://chronicle.com/jobs/news/2000/03/2000033102c.htm>
- "Tips for a Successful CV" in Science Careers:
http://sciencecareers.sciencemag.org/career_magazine/previous_issues/articles/2006_10_27/tips_for_a_successful_cv

Note: For those applying to the ISA Endowment Fund, please also attach the CV's for any additional developing country personnel who are proposed to benefit from assistance from the Fund.

Now check you have completed all five sections of this application:

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V. CURRICULUM VITAE (ATTACH SEPARATELY)