Call for Proposals for Workshops “FAPESP-DFG Joint Workshops 2017”

1. Overview
The German Research Foundation (DFG) and the São Paulo Research Foundation (FAPESP), based on the Agreement for the enhancement of cooperation in all scientific fields between Brazilian and German researchers, will carry out joint workshops to foster collaboration between researchers in Germany and in the state of São Paulo, Brazil. The purpose of this programme is to lead to the development of new bilateral research projects.

2. Topics
Applicants can choose a topic from all fields of knowledge.

3. Timing
The workshops must take place within one year from the time of grant approval, which is planned for July 2017.

4. Language
Workshops will be held in English.

5. Who can apply?
5.1 For DFG (Germany)
Researchers who have already achieved their doctorates and who are working in the German scientific system may apply. Special rules apply to members of non-university research institutions according to DFG form 55.01.

5.2 For FAPESP (state of São Paulo, Brazil)
The proponent must be formally affiliated to an institution in the state of São Paulo and must be or have previously been Principal or Co-Principal Investigators of research projects funded by FAPESP within at least one of the following FAPESP funding lines: Regular Grants (APR), Thematic Projects, Young Investigators Award (JP), Research, Innovation and Dissemination Centers (CEPIDs/RIDCs), and Research Partnership for Technological Innovation (PITE).

6. Number of applications for each researcher
Researchers from both countries must jointly apply for a set of two workshops, one to be held in the state of São Paulo and another in Germany.

7. Funding from DFG and FAPESP
The maximum number of workshop participants is 30, with balanced numbers from each side.

7.1 DFG will cover:
- Travel & per diems for scientists from Germany for workshops held both in Germany and in São Paulo;
• Additional costs for the workshops held in Germany.

7.2 FAPESP will cover the following costs according to FAPESP’s guidelines of the “Auxílio Organização de Reunião Científica” funding scheme as described at http://www.fapesp.br/156:

• Travel & per diems for scientists from the state of São Paulo for workshops held both in Germany and São Paulo;
• Additional costs for the workshops held in São Paulo must follow the above mentioned funding scheme regulations; those costs not fundable from FAPESP should be outsourced, including from the host Institution in São Paulo.

Please note that at DFG, no special funds are provided for this call and proposals must succeed on the strengths of their intellectual merit and teams in comparison with other proposals.

8. Application schedule
Applicants must submit their proposals by 24th February 2017 to FAPESP and DFG. The German applicants have to submit their proposals to DFG and the candidates from the state of São Paulo to FAPESP. After a peer review is held in each country, DFG and FAPESP will jointly decide which workshops will be financed. Applicants will receive the selection results approximately by June 2017.

9. Additional Guidelines
9.1 Applicants on the German side should follow the guidelines for Grants to Support the Initiation of International Collaboration (DFG form 1.813) http://www.dfg.de/en/research_funding/programmes/international_cooperation/initiation_international_collaboration/in_brief/index.html
The proposals must also adhere to the specific requirements described in this Call for Proposals.

9.2 Applicants from São Paulo should follow the guidelines for FAPESP’s Organization of Scientific Meeting funding scheme (“Auxílio à Pesquisa - Organização de Reunião Científica e/ou Tecnológica” - www.fapesp.br/156).
The proposals must also adhere to the specific requirements described in this Call for Proposals and be submitted according to item 10.2 below.

10. Submission of proposals
The kernel of the proposed activity must be the same on both sides and jointly designed by both proponents researchers.

10.1 To DFG (Germany)
The joint proposal shall be submitted by the German partner via the electronic submission portal at DFG, elan. After the log-in, please use the respective link “Initiation of International Collaboration” in the Proposal Forms column (proposal submission > new project > special programmes for International Cooperation > Initiation of International Collaboration). Please, select as the relevant Call: FAPESP-DFG Joint Workshops 2017. The DFG’s elan system can be found at: https://elan.dfg.de
Please follow the general instructions for submission of a proposal as described in the Proposal Preparation Instructions, DFG form 1.813 and upload the scientific description and the financial request.

If you are using the DFG’s elan system for the first time, please note that you will need to register before you may use the system. Registration must be completed by 15th January 2017.

10.2 To FAPESP (São Paulo)
Applicants from the state of São Paulo must submit the following documents:

- [FAPESP Research Proposal form](https://www.dfg.de/en/research_funding/principles_dfg_funding/elan/index.html) specific for this Call, including all documents listed in its last item. Due documents include a short CV of the German proponent and a budget overview of the German side, among others.
- [FAPESP Researcher’s Registration form](https://www.dfg.de/en/research_funding/principles_dfg_funding/elan/index.html);
- [FAPESP Budget Worksheets](https://www.dfg.de/en/research_funding/principles_dfg_funding/elan/index.html) specific for this Call.

Submissions to FAPESP can only be accepted in print, via regular mail to the following address: Rua Pio XI, 1500, Alto da Lapa, CEP 05468-901 – São Paulo/SP, with “FAPESP-DFG Joint Workshops 2017” written on the envelope.

Only proposals with a stamped postmark date within the deadline of this Call will be processed.

**Proposals submitted by any other means will not be accepted.**

Please note that a proposal will not be reviewed if only submitted to either FAPESP or DFG.

11. Contact Information

11.1 At DFG
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