

FRANCE-STANFORD CENTER FOR INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES 2017-2018 CALL FOR CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS PROPOSALS

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: MARCH 15, 2017

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The France-Stanford Center for Interdisciplinary Studies (FSCIS) invites proposals for scholarly conferences or workshops to be held during academic years 2017-2018 (September 1, 2017 through August 31, 2018).

Program overview

The conferences or workshops may be held at Stanford or at any French research institution. They should address significant issues of common interest to scholars from France and Stanford, and particularly, but not exclusively, those subject to differences of disciplinary or interdisciplinary approach in or between the two countries. The topics proposed may be either historical or contemporary in their temporal focus and relevant to the two societies. They may fall primarily or entirely within the purview of schools or departments like those of the humanities, social sciences, natural and formal sciences, business, earth sciences, education, engineering, law and medicine. Alternatively, they may bring together scholars from across different schools and/or departments.

Proposal

Proposals should be for conferences or workshops that bring together participants from Stanford and France, but also from other U.S. institutions, thereby expanding the network of productive relationships between academics in the two countries. That said, there must be significant representation from Stanford. Given available Center resources, fundable conferences should envision 20-40 participants each. Workshops are expected to include fewer participants—on the order of five to ten. Participants should be roughly equally divided between France and the U.S.

Budget

The amount of funding provided depends on a variety of factors, including not least, the size and scope of the conference or workshop proposed. But the Center has at times funded large-scale conferences costing on the order of \$50,000. Examples of funded events by the Center since

2003 can be found at

<http://francestanford.stanford.edu/conferences>

Please note, however, that proposals that contemplate cost sharing with another funding source(s) may have an advantage over those whose only source is funding from the France-Stanford Center. Moreover, in selecting proposals to fund, the Center gives some weight to ensuring an overall balance between (1) events held at Stanford and those held in France and (2) those primarily concerning the sciences and those primarily concerning the humanities.

Application procedure

Proposals should specify the intellectual rationale for topic, indicate why the proposed topic would be a suitable candidate for funding by the Center, provide examples of potential participants, identify possible organizers, set forth a tentative budget and other sources of funding, and propose a tentative date. Applicants should also specify the kind of meeting they seek to hold—i.e., conference, workshop, or symposium. Informal inquiries made prior to writing a formal proposal would be welcome. Please contact

Professor Amalia Kessler, FSCIS Director at akessler@law.stanford.edu, or **Professor Gérard Bonneaud**, Associate Director at gerard.bonneaud@in2p3.fr

Please note that applicants based at a French institution need not possess French citizenship. Likewise, applicants based at Stanford need not possess U.S. citizenship.

Deadline

Proposals (4 to 6 pages maximum) must be submitted in .doc or .pdf format (no other format will be accepted) as an attachment to an email sent to **Isabelle Collignon**, Program Coordinator of the France-Stanford Center for Interdisciplinary Studies, at francestanford@stanford.edu

Questions

Questions can be directed to the Center's Director, Amalia Kessler (akessler@law.stanford.edu) or the Program Coordinator, Isabelle Collignon (francestanford@stanford.edu).