This year, the French Research Center in Humanities and Social Sciences in Prague (CEFRES, USR CNRS 3138), CNRS, and the Czech Academy of Sciences (AV ČR) are launching the second call for applications for the "TANDEM" incubator program. "TANDEM" is a program of the CEFRES Platform and endeavors to excellency in social sciences and humanities.

The aim of the TANDEM program is to associate two researchers, one from the AV ČR, one from CNRS (French National Research Center), around a joint research project leading to the submission of an <u>ERC project</u> (Synergy Grant, but also Starting, Consolidator, or Advanced grants).

The second TANDEM team will work for two years, starting in February 2020. It will be based at CEFRES. ERC projects may be submitted no more than twice during the appointment of the team at CEFRES.

The researcher from CNRS will benefit from a 7 month-long research stay at CEFRES (so-called <u>SMI – "Soutien à mobilité internationale"</u> program) from February to August 2020, then from a 2 year-long appointment at CEFRES from September 2020 (so-called "<u>affectation</u>" program supported by CNRS).

The AV ČR researcher of the TANDEM team will be appointed for 50% of his/her work time at CEFRES with extra salary.

The TANDEM team may also recruit a post-doctoral researcher co-funded by CEFRES and the Charles University.

The constitution of the TANDEM team is planned according to the following agenda:

January 3, 2019: Publication of the call for applications.

May 15, 2019: Deadline for the 1st round of applications for CNRS researchers and AV ČR researchers. For AV ČR applicants, it is recommended (but not compulsory) to have already found a partner from CNRS. Applications are to be addressed to the Division of International Cooperation, Národní 3, 117 20 Prague 1, (stefanova@kav.cas.cz). The application form is available on the AV ČR website: http://interni.avcr.cz/Informace_pro_pracoviste/mzdova-podpora-cefres. A letter with information about the TANDEM project was sent to the directors of the institutes in the fields of humanities and social sciences of AV ČR.

May 31, 2019: Pre-selection of the 3 best applications by a committee composed of representatives from the AV ČR, CEFRES, UK, and CNRS. The pre-selection will be based on the quality of the research projects and their potential for an ERC application.

June 1–5, 2019: Submission by the 3 AV ČR pre-selected applicants of a project title and 3-line description for the open call for applications for a post-doctoral researcher at CEFRES, cofunded by the Charles University and CEFRES, for 2 years (2020–2022). The call will be advertised on both Charles University's and CEFRES's websites.

September 15, 2019: Deadline for the 2nd round for the 3 pre-selected researchers (from CNRS and/or AV ČR). The name and details related to their CNRS or AV ČR counterpart within the TANDEM team must be enclosed in these final applications.

October 4, 2019: Selection of the 2020–2022 TANDEM team by the committee. The final selection will be based on the potential of the team for an ERC application. Among the members of the commission nominated by AV ČR are the CEFRES Director and representatives from CNRS and UK.

November 2019: Deadline for application of the CNRS researcher of the TANDEM team to CNRS for a 7 months-long research stay at CEFRES (so-called <u>SMI – "Soutien à mobilité internationale"</u> program) from February to August 2020.

March 2020: Deadline for the application of the CNRS researcher of the selected TANDEM team for her/his two-year "affectation" at CEFRES (September 2020–August 2022).

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