

# CALL FOR PRE-PROPOSALS

## Seed-Funding Opportunity for Collaborative Research with a Laboratory in France

Argonne National Laboratory-based researchers who seek support through the FACCTS Program in order to conduct research collaboratively with a laboratory in France are invited to submit a pre-proposal on or before October 16, 2017. A committee will evaluate all pre-proposals and up to five (5) pre-proposal applicants will be invited to prepare and submit a full FACCTS application. At least one Argonne National Laboratory project will be selected for funding through the LDRD Program. Pre-proposals are to be submitted online and must include:

- Information about the ANL-based applicant and the partner lab in France
- A 100-word non-technical summary of the project
- The amount requested (up to \$20,000/year) and the duration of the project (up to 2 years)
- a one-page document (in pdf format) that briefly describes: 1) the scientific problem/technical capability to be addressed, 2) the scope/approach of the project, 3) expected outcomes/milestones, and 4) the expertise/resources that the French lab would bring to the project.

Projects in all areas will be considered. However the program particularly encourages applications in areas that align with Argonne's strategic areas, which include:

- Advanced Computing
- Biology and Environmental Science Capability Development
- Energy Manufacturing Science and Engineering
- Hard X-ray Sciences
- Materials and Chemistry
- National Security Programs
- Nuclear Energy Science and Technology
- Universe as the Lab (ULab)

### DEADLINES AND KEY DATES

October 16, 2017: Deadline for submitting pre-proposals

November, 1 2017: Decisions conveyed; Invitations to submit full proposals extended

December 5, 2017: Deadline for submitting FACCTS proposals

February 15, 2018: Decisions conveyed to ANL-based FACCTS applicants

To apply, go to: <https://fcc.uchicago.edu/content/anl-pre-proposal-information-application>  
Contact Dan Bertsche ([fcc@uchicago.edu](mailto:fcc@uchicago.edu) or 773-702-3662) with questions.

\*FACCTS is a program designed to enhance science at the University of Chicago, Argonne National Laboratory, and Fermilab by encouraging closer relations between Chicago researchers and high-level research teams in France. It seeks to accomplish this goal by offering seed funding for new projects that promote innovation as well as productive academic and scientific exchange; and that show potential for leading to fruitful and sustainable collaboration. The Program is administered by the France Chicago Center (FCC) at the University of Chicago, and is made possible with the financial support of FCC, the Office of the Provost and the Office of the Vice President for Research, The Divisions of the Biological and Physical Sciences, the Scientific Office of the French Embassy, Argonne National Laboratory, and Fermilab.