



RESOLUTION OF THE PRESIDENCY OF THE SPANISH NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL (CSIC) ANNOUNCING A CALL FOR JOINT MOBILITY ACTIONS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION'S JOINT RESEARCH CENTRE (JRC) AND THE SPANISH NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL (CSIC)

CSIC-JRC CALL 2026: Researchers, Technical Staff and Managers

I. PURPOSE OF THE CALL

The purpose of this call is to promote, through CSIC's own resources, the mobility of research staff (researchers, technical staff and managers) affiliated with CSIC to Nuclear Research Centres of the **Joint Research Centre (JRC)**¹.

The expected impact of the Programme is to enhance CSIC's internationalisation by strengthening stable scientific cooperation links between CSIC and JRC teams, through research, training or specialization stays.

Applications falling within the following shared priority areas will be given preference:

- Digital Transformation and Artificial Intelligence; Robotics; Sustainable and innovative construction
- Materials and Sustainable Resources; including Agriculture, plant health, raw materials
- Oceanography and Water
- Growth, Innovation and Access to funds
- Energy, Environment, Transport and Climate;
- Space, Security & Migration;
- Health;
- Science for Policy making, evaluation of public policies and Foresight;
- Disaster Risk Management (use of Copernicus services in the area of droughts, fires, earthquakes, and other);
- Microeconomics evaluation (labour market, gender, public policies, etc);
- Socioeconomic aspects and social sciences;

2. RULES OF THE CALL

A maximum of 5 grants are offered for stays to be carried out between 1 January and 31 December 2027. Stays must last between 1 and 3 months, in a single continuous period.

¹ JRC Centers: https://joint-research-centre.ec.europa.eu/about-us/jrc-sites-across-europe_en

2.1. Applicant Requirements

2.1.1. Applicants must be research staff affiliated with CSIC², registered in the Entities and People

2.1.1. Management Application (GEP), and working at CSIC institutes, centres or units.

2.1.2. PhD candidates are not eligible.

2.1.3. Applicants with employment contracts must hold a contract compatible with this grant.

2.1.4. Applicants must maintain their employment relationship with CSIC at both the time of application and during the stay.

2.1.5. Applicants must have obtained prior acceptance from a JRC centre for the proposed stay.

2.2. Financial Support

Basic allowances:

- a) A monthly³ allowance of €3,000 for accommodation and living expenses during the stay.
- b) A one-time €600 travel allowance (return trip, economy class).

The Vice-Presidency for International Relations (VRI) will allocate the funding to CSIC institutes/centres for execution and financial control. Payments will be made to beneficiaries via the originating centre.

The total funding available for this call is up to €48,000.

3. APPLICATION PROCEDURE AND DEADLINE

3.1. Application and required documents must be submitted electronically via the CSIC intranet:

<http://siw.csic.es/icv/> ("CSIC-JRC Joint Mobility Actions").

3.2. Applications must be written in Spanish, using Times New Roman or Arial (minimum size 11).

3.3. Only official templates may be used.

3.3.1. Electronic application form (maximum 5MB), including:

A) Administrative information:

- Personal details
- Academic details

² Law 14/2011 of 1 June on Science, Technology and Innovation. Research staff employed by the Public Research Bodies of the General State Administration comprise research staff, technical staff and management staff.

³ In the case of stays that do not cover full months, a pro rata calculation shall be applied based on the following scale: 1 month = 4 weeks.

- Professional details
- Preferred dates for the stay
- Host research centre, including justification for its selection (maximum 500 words)

B) Description of the stay activities (maximum 3 pages):

- Summary of the objectives of the stay
- Description of the scientific or technical activities to be carried out, in line with the purpose of the stay (training, collaboration or specialisation). The activities described must correspond to the profile under which the applicant is applying, regardless of their administrative category.
- Expected scientific or technical impact: for the applicant, the research group, the institute/centre/unit, and CSIC. The added value of the stay at the JRC must be highlighted.

C) Additional documents:

- Short CV (CVA format, maximum 4 pages)
- Letter of acceptance from the JRC centre confirming its commitment to host the applicant during the specified dates, demonstrating interest in the proposed activity. This letter must be signed by the person responsible at the JRC centre.

3.3.2. Applications that do not comply with the required templates will be excluded and will not be eligible for evaluation. Pages exceeding the established limits will not be considered during evaluation.

3.4. The submission deadline is 14 September 2026 at 23:59.

3.5. Once the submission period has ended, a provisional list of admitted and excluded applicants will be published on the CSIC intranet. No correction period will be provided.

3.6. Personal data included in the application will be processed in accordance with Organic Law 3/2018 and Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament. Submission of the application constitutes consent to such data processing.

3.7. This call is governed by the principles, objectives and priorities of Spanish policy on sustainable development cooperation, as set out in Article 2 of Law 1/2023 of 20 February.

4. EVALUATION

4.1. Proposals will be evaluated by a scientific-technical evaluation committee established by the VRI, according to candidate profiles (researcher, technical staff or manager) and scientific areas.

4.2. Evaluation criteria:

Scientific-technical quality of the proposed actions (maximum 10 points):

Assessment of the scope of objectives, activities to be carried out, and added value of the collaboration.

Professional and academic merits (maximum 10 points):

A global assessment of the candidate's professional quality. For scientific staff, the quality of research contributions will be evaluated holistically, including scientific and technical outputs, contribution, and social/economic impact. For technical or management staff, merits will be evaluated according to their speciality. Career-long achievements will be considered, promoting equality between men and women and supporting early-career researchers.

Impact on the applicant and CSIC (maximum 10 points):

Assessment of the potential to generate future scientific or technical cooperation, sustainable capacity building, and professional development, as well as overall benefit to CSIC.

4.3. In the event of a tie, priority will be given to applications with the highest score in scientific-technical quality.

5. DECISION

5.1. The outcome of the selection process will be communicated through a Resolution of the CSIC Presidency, published on the CSIC intranet and notified by email to successful applicants.

5.2. Applicants who are not selected may request an evaluation report from the VRI, detailing the scores awarded according to the criteria.

5.3. Any modification to the dates of the stay must be communicated as soon as possible to internacional@csic.es for evaluation and possible approval by the VRI.

6. ADMINISTRATIVE STATUS DURING THE STAY AND OBLIGATIONS

6.1. After notification of the grant award, the beneficiary must submit to the VRI a letter from their immediate superior at the CSIC unit or administrative area confirming that there is no objection to the stay.

6.2. During the stay, the beneficiary will remain in active service under a training stay status, in accordance with Article 17.6 of Law 17/2022 amending Law 14/2011 on Science, Technology and Innovation.

6.3. Upon completion of the stay, the beneficiary must submit a final report using the official template, together with a certificate issued by the host JRC centre indicating the dates and outcomes of the stay, within a maximum period of one month after return. The VRI reserves the right to request reimbursement for any unused periods.

6.4. Any dissemination of activities funded under this call must include the acknowledgment:

“FUNDED BY CSIC, CSIC-JRC MOBILITY CALL 2026” (for publications: CSIC/MOV-JRC2026/action code).

7. CONTROL REGIME

Misuse of the granted funds, non-compliance with implementation rules, or failure to achieve the scientific-technical objectives may result in sanctions, including exclusion from VRI funding calls for up to five years and reimbursement of the grant.

Failure to comply with the principle of reciprocity between co-managing entities of joint institutes or centres, as established in their cooperation agreements, may result in early termination of the action or exclusion from the programme.

8. ENQUIRIES

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