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**CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST  
FOR THE SELECTION OF A TEMPORARY REGULAR MEMBER OF THE SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL  
OF THE HELLENIC FOUNDATION FOR RESEARCH AND INNOVATION**

The Scientific Council (hereafter referred to as "SC") of the Hellenic Foundation for Research and Innovation (hereafter referred to as "HFRI"), according to Art. 8 para. 8 of Law No 4429/2016 (Greek Government Gazette I 199) and Art. 10 para. 8 of HFRI's Internal Rules of Operation (Common Ministerial Decision No. 195245/2018, Greek Government Gazette II 5252), addresses a call to **scientists of international stature originating from the Medical and Health Sciences**, to express their interest to fill one (1) vacant position as a temporary regular member of the SC of HFRI.

HFRI is a non-profit legal entity under private law and operates for the promotion of research and innovation. HFRI is located in Athens, Greece and is supervised by the Deputy Minister of Research and Innovation. Its operation is governed by Law No 4429/2016 and the Internal Rules of Operation.

The SC of HFRI consists of nine (9) regular members, scientists of international stature originating from the following scientific areas: a) agricultural sciences, b) natural sciences, c) mathematical and information technology sciences, d) social sciences, e) humanities, f) environmental and energy sciences, g) medical and health sciences, h) engineering and technology sciences and i) innovative entrepreneurship.

**The SC governs HFRI and notably has the following duties of:**

- a. Ensuring the achievement of HFRI's objectives, based on the national policy on research and innovation.
- b. Accepting donations and any kind of funding.
- c. Establishing evaluation and appeal committees for the evaluation of proposals and the selection of final beneficiaries, supervising the committees' orderly function under the principles of meritocracy and transparency. The SC ensures that evaluators' conflicts of interest are avoided and confidentiality is

upheld, also resolving any issue connected to the evaluation process that comes to attention. SC members may not be part of these committees.

- d. Approving HFRI's budget, upon Director's proposal.
- e. Recommending to the General Assembly collaborations and partnerships between HFRI and public or private entities, from Greece and abroad.
- f. Recommending to the Deputy Minister amendments of the Internal Rules of Operations.
- g. Approving the operation of services and offices of the Foundation, in other cities of the Greek Territory, upon recommendation of the Director.
- h. Approving personnel recruitment decisions.

The SC is competent for all matters concerning HFRI's administration that are not assigned to the General Assembly or to the Director.

SC members are entitled to reimbursement for participating in meetings, according to Art. 22 para. 3 of Law No 4354/2015. To travels and movements of SC members apply the provisions of Art. 2 para. D subpara. D9 of Law No 4336/2015.

### **Qualifications of Scientific Council Members**

According to Art. 8 para. 2 of Law No 4429/2016 and Art. 9 para. 2 of the Internal Rules of Operation, SC members should be individuals of high scientific impact, distinguished internationally for their research work and experience in the relevant field; they should also have significant experience in the field of scientific policy making.

It is desirable that SC members collectively cover the wider Greek scientific community, originating from different foundations of the public or private sector.

In particular, SC members should:

- a. have participated successfully, as principal investigators, in research projects approved for granting after a national or international peer review process;
- b. have administrative experience in research management and research results, at public or private legal entities within Greece or abroad;
- c. have scientific work published in monographs or original publications in scientific journals and
- d. be knowledgeable of the Greek language.

A qualification also favourably considered for SC member candidacy, is it being supported by institutions (Universities, Research Centres under Art. 13a of Law No 4310/2014) participating with representatives in HFRI's General Assembly.

A proposal may be submitted by the Senate or the General Assembly of University Departments, or the Board of Directors of Research Centres, or the Scientific Council of Institutes, provided these entities participate in HFRI's General Assembly.

A candidacy support proposal may also be submitted by members of the National Council for Research, Technology and Innovation (NCRTI).

A candidacy support proposal must be reasoned.

## **Incompatibilities of SC Members**

Membership in HFRI's SC is incompatible with:

- being a member of the Greek Ministers Council, Deputy Minister, General or Special Secretary of a Ministry or an Independent General Secretariat;
- being a Member of the Greek Parliament;
- being a Head of a Region or Deputy Head of a Region, Mayor or Deputy Mayor;
- being a member of HFRI's General Assembly or being HFRI's Director;
- being a University's Rector, Vice-Rector, Dean, member of the Senate, member of the Research Committee or Department's Chair;
- being a member of the Board of Directors of a Research Centre or Institute under Art. 13a of Law No 4310/2014.

SC members are not allowed to submit proposals for funding to HFRI or be a member of a Research Team which has submitted a research proposal to HFRI.

SC members are not allowed to conclude contracts with the HFRI. The prohibition applies to all types of contracts (employment, work, service, supply, etc.). In addition, SC members may not be experts or members of committees evaluating funding proposals for the HFRI. The prohibition of the previous paragraph shall also apply to the SC members' spouses or life partners with whom they have entered into a civil partnership, and to persons related to them by blood or marriage up to the second degree of kinship. The prohibition shall also apply to any contract concluded between the HFRI and legal entities whose management is controlled directly or indirectly by a member of the SC. In particular, SC members may not be members of Boards of Directors, administrators, partners in partnerships, and shareholders and partners of corporations, which have a contractual relationship with the HFRI, if their participation in said entities exceeds three (3%) per cent of the company's total capital. Should any of the aforementioned incompatibilities occur, the SC Member shall be removed from office and the respective contract(s) shall be declared null and void.

## **Application Submissions**

Applicants should send the signed application and documents mentioned below by e-mail, to the following address: [recruitmentdp@elidek.gr](mailto:recruitmentdp@elidek.gr). The e-mail subject message should read "Application for the participation in the SC of HFRI".

All applications must be accompanied by (.pdf):

- a) a brief statement in which the applicant outlines the reasons of his/her interest in becoming a member of the HFRI SC.
- b) a detailed curriculum vitae in which, inter alia, the following information should be mentioned: date of birth, marital status, website, studies, scholarships and awards, experience and positions held in the academic - research sector (public / private, domestic / foreign), participation in international committees, board of directors, professional organizations and the powers/competences therein.
- c) an itemized list of scientific and other publications, awarded patents and conference participations.

Applications not accompanied by any of the above documents will be regarded as inadmissible and will not be considered.

Applicants may submit any other document they consider relevant to the application and that substantiates the qualifications of a SC member.

The closing date for applications is October 9<sup>th</sup> 2023, at 23: 59.

This call will be published on the websites of HFRI (<http://www.elidek.gr>), GSRI (<http://www.gsri.gov.gr>), the Ministry of Development (<https://www.mindev.gov.gr/>) and the European Committee (<https://euraxess.ec.europa.eu/>).

**The President of the Scientific Council of HFRI**

**Professor Xenia Chrysochoou**