Purpose:
The International Chairs are made available each year to invite to the ULB outstanding scientists for a one month period, for the purpose of strengthening collaboration in teaching and/or research. The Development cooperation Chair give the opportunity to invite, under the same conditions, a professor from a university of a country considered in development from the list approved by the Council of international relations of the ULB.

Governing principles:
The scheme is based on open competition and covers all faculties, fields and partners. The determining factors are the “return on investment” and the institutional impact of the applications for the University. The members of “CCCI” are however asked to try and maintain a balance between Faculties and partner universities.

Privileged partners:
Applications involving a privileged partner will generally be treated with priority.

Eligibility criteria:
- The beneficiary must have gained a **PhD at a foreign university at least 8 years before submitting the application**.
- The applicant must verify that his stay cannot be supported by a credit from the FNRS².

Funds will be awarded in accordance with the following criteria:
- quality criteria: quality of the ULB promoter (CV, publications, etc.), of the application (Highlighting the interest and importance of the results) and of the beneficiary (status, CV, dynamism);
- the Faculty's opinion and ranking: place in the Faculty's priorities and specific policy;
- the importance of the application for the ULB in its institutional strategy and in promoting collaboration between the two universities;
- the “return on investment” for the ULB and for the applicant and his/her team;
- the contribution of the partner institution with regard to the partnership and the project.

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1 The University of California, Berkeley (USA), The University of Oxford (UK), L'Université Pierre et Marie Curie – Paris VI (France), L'Université de Montréal (Canada), Beihang University (China), The University of Fudan, Shanghai (China), The University of British Columbia, Vancouver (Canada), The University of Cambridge (UK), The University of Waseda, Tokyo (Japan), Universidade de Sao Paulo (Brazil), Université de Genève (G3 - Switzerland)

2 contact in the Research department : Mrs Laure Bodenghien
Maximum amount: €4000

This amount covers:

- a “scientist’s allowance” (subside à savant) of €2000;
- Travel and accommodation expenses up to max. €2000 (supporting documents required).

For teaching staff working for a university in the European Union with an Erasmus+ agreement with the ULB, only the “scientist's allowance” (€2000) will be awarded. In this case, travel and stay-related expenses can be covered, via the home university, by the Erasmus+ programme (the beneficiary is requested to contact the appropriate department of his university to make sure this is the case).

Deadline for submitting applications and the award procedure:
Applications must be submitted, by 1st February, by the ULB supervisor via the appropriate form in duplicate. One copy must be sent to the International Relations Office and the other to the Dean of the Faculty in question, who will perform an initial ranking of the applications.

The form must be accompanied by the following documents:

- CV of the ULB promoter;
- CV of the beneficiary + list of publications;
- Planned activities of the beneficiary during his stay;
- The opinion of the head of department/laboratory on the appropriate form.
- A supplementary document explaining in more detail the scientific collaboration may be annexed to the application.

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3 This allowance is awarded by the ULB involves no obligation to the university on your part and any relationship of subordination to the university is excluded. Two consequences ensue from this principle:

- As this allowance cannot be assimilated to a professional income or to miscellaneous income as referred to in Article 67 2° of the Belgian Income Tax Code, it will be tax-exempt as per the Royal Decree of 7 January 1989;
- The allowance entitles to no coverage of the risks generally covered by the Belgian social security system.