



Department for Scientific Cooperation  
at the French Embassy in Norway



Fransk-Norsk Stiftelse for vitenskapelig og teknisk forskning  
og industriell utvikling

## ÅSGARD RESEARCH PROGRAMME

"Åsgard Research Programme" has been initiated by the Department for scientific cooperation of the French Embassy in Norway in 2005. It aims at inviting French scientists for a one-week visit to Norway, during which they will be given the opportunity to meet Norwegian counterparts, visit private and public research institutions, and give a series of lectures and courses.

### Objectives

- ✓ Stimulating exchanges of scientific knowledge and skills between France and Norway
- ✓ Encouraging the emergence of research and R&D cooperation projects
- ✓ Providing French and Norwegian scientists with the opportunity to extend their international networks

### Application and Selection

Open to all researchers, the "Åsgard Research Programme" first targets researchers between 35 and 45 years old, whose scientific work is internationally recognized, and who have just been, or will be in a near future, appointed as a group leader in their home institution.

- One call for applications is launched every year, in the autumn, for which priority fields may be defined. Deadline is on the 15<sup>th</sup> of December (updated news available on the website, please see below).
- Applications must be addressed to the Department for scientific cooperation of the French Embassy in Norway, before deadline, according to modalities mentioned in the call for applications.
- The evaluation and selection process is carried out during the week following the application deadlines.

### Organization of visits

The successful applicants are invited for a **one-week visit** to Norway, date being agreed with them. The programme of the visit is established by the Department for scientific cooperation in close contacts with the appropriate Norwegian universities, research institutions and companies, and the successful applicant.

### Partnerships

French and Norwegian research institutions or companies are welcome to become partners of this programme, especially through the support of travel and accommodation. In counterpart, they would be involved in the selection process of the candidates they support.

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