

# **MIHÁLY POLÁNYI PROGRAM**

**Funding for outstanding young researchers**

**KFKT\_06**

**Call for proposals**



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## CALL FOR PROPOSALS KFKT\_06

**On behalf of the National Office for Research and Technology, the Agency for Research Fund Management and Research Exploitation, within the framework of the MIHÁLY POLÁNYI PROGRAM, to funding outstanding young researchers.**

### **Aim of the funding**

The program, in conjunction with the aims of the National Scientific Research Basic Programs (OTKA), is intended to support the basic research activities of such young researchers and the research teams led by them, who have already performed internationally acclaimed research work at home or abroad with funding awarded to them at programs abroad (e.g. Wellcome Trust, Wellfare, Humboldt).

The program is aimed at

- allowing the researchers to continue with their work by forming a research team in Hungary, (“follow-up funding”), and thus their research achievements to be utilized in Hungary
- allowing talented young researchers working abroad, performing their professional activity using grant they have been awarded at similar programs, achieving recognition to come home, and to create the conditions for the continuation of their research work in Hungary.

### **Source and budget of project funding**

In order to achieve the goals of the program, the full amount of the funding is **HUF 900 M, say nine-hundred million forints**, for which the National Office for Research and Technology will provide HUF 800 million, against the **Research and Technology Innovation Fund**, while the Ministry of Economy and Transport will provide **HUF 100 million** from its dedicated source (in the year 2006).

**The expected number of contracted proposals is 3-5.**

### **Eligible applicants**

Young researchers with PhD degree, who have achieved recognition with their previous activity even abroad, and intend to carry on their activity in Hungary. Conditions for the signing of a funding contract are: at the time of contract signing, the applicant should have a permanent residence in Hungary, as well as the formation of a research team.

### **The form and duration of funding**

The form of the funding: non-refundable funding. Its term is maximum **36 months**.

**Rate of the funding:** maximum amount of the funding that may be requested for a project is **HUF 300 million**.

A proposal submitted shall contain the measurable results and their scheduling, as well as a recipient's statement from an institution of higher education, or a research institute.

**Place, process and deadline for submitting proposals:** the project proposal package shall be submitted in a closed packaging, personally or by courier service, to the following address:

**Agency for Research Fund Management and Research Exploitation  
H-1117 Budapest, Neumann János u. 1/C, ground floor reception**

The project acronym shall be written on the package submitted/sent, indicated on the front page of the call for proposal, and a 8-character ID of the project proposal from field [11a] of the Application Form:

*KFKT\_06-< project proposal identifier>*

Proposals may be submitted continuously from the announcement of the call for proposals, until the funding allocation is exhausted, but until October 2, 2006, by 4:30 p.m. The first decision applies to the proposals submitted until 29<sup>th</sup> May, 2006.

**The Guide for proposers constitutes an inseparable part of the Call for proposals. These contain all the conditions required for application.**