SUPPORT FOR POSTDOCTORAL INTERNSHIP

**In summary**
- Competition year: 2017-2018
- Deadline: December 1st, 2017, 23h59
- Amount: $ 10 000
- Duration: 12 months
- Announcement of results: January 2018

**Objective**
- Attract newcomer postdoctoral fellows in INAF research teams.

**Eligibility conditions**
- The candidate must complete an internship of at least 12 months under the supervision of a researcher who is a regular member of INAF.
- Postdoctoral fellows who have been with INAF for three months or more are not eligible.

**Submitting applications**
The written request must include the following information:
- The title of the INAF researcher's project and the title candidate’s project;
- Project summary (max. 25 lines);
- The project plan for the postdoctoral fellow within the researcher's project (max. 25 lines);
- Expected scientific spin-offs (max 25 lines);
- The structuring impact of the candidate’s presence for INAF (max. 25 lines);
- The financial arrangement of the candidate's salary;
- A letter of presentation by the researcher to demonstrate the impact of the financial support on its capacity to recruit the candidate;
- A letter of motivation from the candidate;
- The CV of the candidate and a reference letter.

The researcher who will supervise the candidate must send the application in .pdf format (with all sections merged) to direction@inaf.ulaval.ca before Friday, December 1st, 2017 at 23:59.

**Evaluation of applications**

**Evaluation procedure**
Eligible applications are evaluated by a committee made up of members of INAF executive and researchers who are member of INAF and who have not submitted applications in this competition. The evaluation committee will use this criteria grid:

**Assessment criteria (passing score: 80%)**
- Excellence of the candidate and relevance of the candidacy to the researcher’s project (40 pts);
- Candidate’s project implementation plan, realism and innovative aspect (objectives, duration and timetable, budget, expected benefits) (40 pts);
- Structuring effect for the team and for INAF (20 pts).
**Announcement of results**
The recommendations of the evaluation committee are submitted to the INAF scientific executive board, which makes the funding decisions. The funded projects will be announced in January 2018 to the researchers who will supervise the candidates.

**Nature of financial support (two scholarships available)**
- One-time $10,000 contribution to the candidate's salary.