



Call for applications

RESEARCH GRANT

Programme Suds

Student Research Grant Programme Suds 2027

The “Programme Suds” of ENS-PSL is launching a call for applications for a reciprocal student mobility scheme.

Principle: an ENS-PSL student will undertake a research stay at a partner university in the Global South, while a student from that partner institution will, in turn, undertake a research stay at ENS-PSL.

Each research stay will last **one month** (with the possibility of an extension of up to three months, without additional funding, except for ENS scholarship holders¹). The reciprocal mobilities will take place in **Spring 2027** (from March onwards).

For this second year of the programme, the two partner universities will be **Cheikh Anta Diop University of Dakar (UCAD)** and **the University of Ibadan (UI)**, through IFRA-Nigeria.

Student Research Grant Conditions

The visiting student (Master’s or PhD level) will receive a research grant in the form of a lump-sum award:

- **€2,500 plus accommodation** (for international students conducting their research at ENS-PSL);
- **€2,000 plus accommodation** (for ENS students conducting their research abroad).

During the stay, the student is expected to conduct research on the proposed topic, participate, whenever possible, to the seminars and academic activities of the host department, and submit a **two-page final report** to the “Programme Suds” office upon completion of the stay.

Selection of Applications

The student’s research supervisor shall submit the application file, through IFRA-Nigeria for UI students, to the “**Programme Suds**” office, having first obtained the agreement of a member of academic staff at the host institution. The latter undertakes to supervise the student’s research for the duration of the stay and to provide a **letter of invitation**, which must be included in the application file.

¹ Further details are available by contacting the programme at: programme-suds@ens.psl.eu



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All departments of ENS-PSL, UCAD and UI may submit applications, provided that the following documents are included:

- Completed application form;
- Student's curriculum vitae (CV);
- Letter of invitation from the host academic, who will receive and supervise the student during the research stay.

For applications from the University of Ibadan to ENS, please note you must first go through IFRA-Nigeria (cc info@ifra-nigeria.org) who will preselect applications and help you connect with ENS faculty members. Please do so by **9 November 2026** at the latest.

For applications from ENS to the University of Ibadan, you should contact IFRA-Nigeria (cc info@ifra-nigeria.org) by **9 November 2026**, so they can help you connect with UI faculty members. There will be no preselection of candidacies.

Applications will be evaluated by the “**Programme Suds**” **Steering Committee**, whose composition is available at:

<https://www.ens.psl.eu/actualites/programme-suds>

Timeline

Step 0

- Applications from UI to ENS must be submitted to IFRA-Nigeria by 9 November 2026 to: info@ifra-nigeria.org
You will be notified of your preselection by 1 December 2026. Preselected applications will be sent by IFRA-Nigeria to ENS. You **do not** have to complete the first point of Step 1 below.
- Applicants from ENS to UI should contact IFRA-Nigeria by 9 November 2025 at the latest to help you connect with UI faculty members. Write to: info@ifra-nigeria.org
There will be no pre-selection, and you **must** follow all the steps detailed below.

Step 1

- Application files (except for UI students applying to ENS) must be submitted by 1 December 2026 to: programme-suds@ens.psl.eu
- Notification of results following the selection process: January 2027

Step 2

- Preparation of the administrative file in coordination with the host institution.

Step 3

- Research stays will begin from March 2027 onwards. The two reciprocal stays should be scheduled consecutively, so that each student is able to host the other at their home institution. *This arrangement is intended to foster academic exchange and facilitate integration into the host research environment.*