Dear Colleague,

I am writing to you in my capacity as Dean of Research of the EPFL to announce the opening of a new fellowship scheme at our Institution. The “École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne” (EPFL) is one of the two Écoles Polytechniques Fédérales in Switzerland. The School offers young researchers several mobility programmes to encourage them to start and develop a research career, and to enhance knowledge transfer between native countries and EPFL scientists.

In the framework of the new, international postdoctoral fellowship program – EPFL Fellows – EPFL aims to attract and retain non-Swiss-resident experienced researchers of any nationality to the EPFL and/or to re-integrate Swiss PhDs after a stay abroad in a Third Country, to provide them state-of-the-art conditions for research, to develop their leadership potential and to position them for success as future research leaders, through research-intensive training. These fellowships may be requested in any scientific discipline within the EPFL. They provide experienced researchers with a unique opportunity to deepen their research skills within highly qualified research groups with excellent track records.

The EPFL Fellows program runs under the Marie Curie Action COFUND (7th Framework Program). The application should be made together with a senior scientist at EPFL, the mentor of the Fellow. We believe this program could be of interest to a wide range of experienced researchers at your institution from across all disciplines. Applications for the 2013/2014 call are welcome from July 1st, 2013; the closing date for applications is October 1st, 2013. After an international peer review process, successful candidates will be offered a 24 month fellowship. The enclosed leaflet explains the purpose and scope of the fellowships and the current rules for applicants. If you require an electronic copy of this documentation, please email fellowships@epfl.ch. Alternatively, full details can be obtained by your colleagues from the EPFL Fellows website: http://commission-recherche.epfl.ch/fellowships.

I do hope you will be able to distribute this information in your Institute and that you will encourage your experienced researchers to apply to the 2013/2014 EPFL Fellows scheme.

Yours sincerely,

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