Prometeo Project
Your project may be the project of a country.
What is the Prometeo Project?

The Prometeo Project is an initiative integrated to the plan for the creation of a knowledge-based social economy. Its goal is to strengthen research and knowledge transference in priority fields of knowledge:

- Life sciences
- Natural resources
- Production + innovation
- Educational sciences
- Basic sciences
- Art & culture

Who are the Prometeos?

The Prometeos are – Ecuadorian or foreign - high level experts (Ph.D.) who reside abroad with a large experience that arrive to Ecuador to develop research and/or knowledge transference projects at: universities & polytechnic schools (public or co-financed), public research institutes, and other governmental entities.

The projects contemplate terms from 2 to 12 months (not necessarily in consecutive periods) and work as a grant. There is the possibility of a second and, in exceptional cases, a third incorporation depending on the pertinence and impact of the proposal.

Activities of the Prometeo in Ecuador

- To execute the approved research project
- To transfer knowledge to national research and/or academic teams
- To foster the development of research and international cooperation networks
- To support the review and publication of papers and books
- To publish the research’s results
- To organize workshops, seminars and lectures
- To participate in the evaluation of research projects, programs, careers and assessment of higher education institutions

What are the benefits of becoming a Prometeo?

Living expenses: from USD 4,320 to USD 6,000
Airfare: up to USD 3,000, round-trip from your country of residency to Ecuador and back
Initial accommodation: USD 300 (to cover the expenses of your first days in the country)
Housing: up to USD 500 monthly for 6 months of your stay
Health & life insurance: up to USD 2,500
Supplies & scientific visits: complementary budget of up to USD 4,000

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How to become a Prometeo?

Pre-requirements
- To reside abroad (at the time of the application)
- To hold a Ph.D. degree

Evaluation criteria
1. Research projects as a lead researcher
2. Publications at index journals, books and chapters books
3. Qualitative scientific production (calculated by the Hirsch index)
4. Recognitions and awards in your field of expertise
5. Experience in management regarding your specialty
6. Conferences and seminars as a key note speaker
7. Advisory and consultancy at your specialty field
8. Patent registration
9. Letters of reference (evaluated according to the Hirsch index of who submits them).

How to apply?
Enter your information at our webpage: prometeo.educacionsuperior.gob.ec
*Remember to select the category researcher

Once your proposal is approved, you will receive assistance for the logistics of your arrival to Ecuador.

Once you’ve successfully passed our evaluation, your profile will be put to the consideration of an Ecuadorian host institution that will choose the ideal candidate according to their needs and/or ongoing projects.
*In case you’ve had previous contact with an institution, you may report it during your online application.

You must develop a joint work proposal with your host institution that will be submitted to an Evaluation Committee, which will determine its impact and pertinence.

Why Ecuador?
An educational system in transformation with new and reformed institutions.
11 public research institutes in different fields of study.
A project to transform Ecuador’s productive matrix and contribute in search for fortechnological and innovative initiatives.
The opportunity to visit one of the 17 most biodiverse countries in the world.
A pluricultural State with 18 indigenous nationalities.
A political Project focused on the training of human talent with an investment of 2.0% of the GDP in higher education.

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