

DECISION DOCUMENT

on co-funding of Slovenian - Brazilian joint research projects in the period from 2011 to 2013

Based on the Framework Agreement on Scientific and Technological Cooperation between the Government of the Republic of Slovenia and the Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil, signed on July 29, 1998 in Brasília, on the Agreement between the Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Technology of the Republic of Slovenia (MHEST) and the National Council for Scientific and Technological Development of the Federative Republic of Brazil (CNPq), signed on July 19, 2007 by correspondence and on the call for proposals for joint research projects announced by the Slovenian Research Agency and the CNPq respectively in July 2010, the two sides realize that:

The Slovenian Party received 16 (sixteen) proposals for joint research projects and the Brazilian Party received 15 (fifteen) proposals for joint research projects.

One project proposal, received by the Slovenian side was rejected for formal reasons as the principal investigator does not fulfill the requirements for project leader and one project proposal was rejected by the Brazilian side for formal reasons as it does not comply with the CNPq's call for proposals requirements. One project proposal was submitted only to the Slovenian side and was eliminated from further procedure.

13 project proposals were peer reviewed by both Parties and were considered for co-funding.

Based on the results of the evaluation of the project proposals both Parties came to an agreement that according to the peer review screening 6(six) projects listed below shall be jointly funded in the period 2011 - 2013.

No.	Project title	SI PI	SI Institution	BR PI	BR Institution
1	Effects on climate change on life processes in aquatic animals	Anton Brancelj	National Institute of Biology	Adalberto Luis Val	National Institute of Amazonic Researches (INPA)
2	The synthesis of dielectric materials by chemical solution deposition and characterization of their dielectric properties	Danilo Suvorov	Jožef Stefan Institute	Jose Arana Varela	Paulista State University (UNESP-Araraquara)



3	Challenges in the conservation of underground habitats: Water resources in areas of high endemism of troglotibiotic species in Brazil and Slovenia	Boris Sket	University of Ljubljana, Biotechnical Faculty	Rodrigo Lopes Ferreira	Federal University of Lavras (UFLA)
4	Transfer and implementation of methods for toxin production and cyanobacterial bloom degradation monitoring in samples from the tropical environment	Bojan Sedmak	National Institute of Biology	Sandra Maria Feliciano de Oliveira e Azevedo	Federal University of Rio de Janeiro (UFRJ)
5	Ectomycorrhizal fungi and oligochaeta diversity in Brazilian and Slovenian soils	Tine Grebenc	Slovenian Forestry Institute	Zaida Ines Antonioli	Federal University of Santa Maria (UFSM)
6	Advanced materials manufacturing for automotive and aeronautical applications	Janez Kopač	University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering	Maria Helena Robert	State University of Campinas (UNICAMP)

Financial support to the approved projects will be granted by both Parties according to the 6th Clause of the Agreement between the Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Technology of the Republic of Slovenia (MHEST) and the National Council for Scientific and Technological Development of the Federative Republic of Brazil (CNPq), i.e. each Party will cover the costs of its researchers' visits to the other Party. The Slovenian side will cover the costs of up to 15.000 EUR per project for the whole duration of the project. The visits of the Slovenian researchers have to be completed till the end of September 2013.

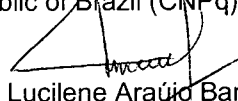
Done in Ljubljana and Brasilia, respectively, in June 2011.

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