



## **REGULATION DOCTORATE GRANTS IN BIOMEDICINE, CHEMISTRY AND PHYSICS 2020**

### **MAX PLANCK INSTITUTE BUNGE Y BORN FOUNDATION WILLIAMS FOUNDATION**

**Article 1:** The Bunge y Born Foundation – Williams Foundation – Max Planck grants are aimed at enabling young Argentine researchers to complete their doctorate studies in Max Planck research institutes in Germany with the commitment to finalize and present their doctoral thesis, preferably within a period of eighteen months upon their return to Argentina.

**Article 2:** The contest will be in Biomedicine, Chemistry and Physics.

**Article 3:** The administration of the grants will be the responsibility of the Bunge y Born Foundation while the evaluation and selection of the winners will be undertaken by a selection committee made up of specialists and representatives of the Bunge y Born Foundation.

**Article 4:** Each grant is awarded one-time and includes a round-trip in economy class ticket to the study destination and allowance. It will have a maximum duration of six months and may come into effect any time between February and December of 2020.

**Article 5:** Applicants must meet the following requisites:

- a) Argentine native or naturalized.
- b) Up to 40 years old as of the date of closure of the contest.
- c) Holder of a University Degree.
- d) Have a doctoral thesis under way and doctorate courses approved, with a high likelihood of completing the thesis in a reasonable period of time, ideally within 12 to 18 months following return to Argentina.
- e) Read the guide and complete the form (published in the respective web pages of the Max Planck Society and the Bunge y Born Foundation) accompanied by the relevant credentials. The form must contain a summary of the research project to be undertaken in Germany.
- f) Fluency in English equivalent to TOEFL 580 points.

**Article 6:** The grant holders must undertake to meet the following obligations:

- a) Comply with the contest rules and accept the commitment to comply with all the requirements.
- b) Undertake the prior research according to the project presented in dedicated fashion.
- c) Present the selection committee, in case of any modifications in the project before departure or during their stay abroad, the following information: the reasons for the changes and the corresponding approval from the thesis supervisor and the host institution in Germany. The selection committee will be charged with deciding whether the grant should be continued or withdrawn accordingly.
- d) Present a report of up to three pages in length upon returning to Argentina concerning the research carried out and a letter from the head of the host institute attesting to compliance with the objectives proposed in the project.
- e) Inform the Bunge y Born Foundation when a Doctorate has been bestowed. If it has not been awarded in the period foreseen (18 months) the reasons for this delay should be given as well as the date estimated for the thesis presentation.
- f) Mention the support provided by the Bunge y Born Foundation– Williams Foundation–Max Planck Grant if a work is to be published. Ensure that each sponsor organization receives a copy of the publication.

**Article 7:** Contest timetable:

- a) The closing date for the receipt of applications for the public contest is December 13th, 2019. Applicants have until that date to send the documentation detailed in the guide for the presentation.
- b) After the selection process is completed, the result will be informed to each participant.

**Article 8:** The failure to meet the commitments undertaken by the grant holders according to these regulations means that the Bunge y Born Foundation reserves the right to proceed as it considers opportune, which includes the option to demand the reimbursement of the grant.

**Article 9:** Any circumstances unforeseen by this regulation shall be resolved by the selection committee, whose decisions in this instance, as well as those related to the interpretation of this document, are final and incontestable.