



Centre for Integrative Neuroscience

The Faculty of Psychology and Neuroscience (FPN), School for Mental Health and Neuroscience (MHeNS), and School of Business and Economics (SBE) are proud to announce the 5th round of the PhD Matching Fund Grant within the framework of the Centre for Integrative Neuroscience (CIN).

The CIN at Maastricht University serves as a virtual overarching umbrella, linking research activities using neuroscience methods in order to improve the visibility of UM's neuroscience research excellence. In order to foster interfaculty cooperation in this field, the CIN launches an annual call for two joint CIN PhD projects.

Highlights

- In 2022 proposals for PhD projects can be submitted by inter-faculty research teams comprising researchers from MHeNS (mandatory) and FPN and/or SBE.
- Pure bottom-up procedure; i.e. applications are submitted by researchers themselves
- The CIN Matching Fund will match 50% of the 4-year PhD salary costs of a selected proposal. Co-financing by the applicants from the participating faculties is obligatory; that is, 50% of the remaining salary costs will have to be covered by the applying research team.
- Coverage of up to €35.000,- of research costs comprising (a) MRI scanning hours at Scannexus, (b) use of FPN research infrastructure inside Scannexus and in FPN laboratories (e.g. EEG, NIBS), (c) a maximum € 4.000,- allowance for congress visits, travel and training, and (d) participation in courses, training and other activities provided by the M-BIC Research School and the Graduate School FPN.

Selection Criteria

- Quality of Research Proposal (focusing especially on the added scientific value by proposing a joint inter-faculty PhD project that will link the expertise of the participating faculties to enable innovative research on a relevant and timely topic)
- Quality of research team (experience in setting-up inter-disciplinary projects, established contacts)
- Quality of PhD candidate (track record that shows interest and skills in linking the involved scientific disciplines)
- Feasibility (practically, financially), including a finance plan for the obligatory PhD salary matching and anticipated research costs not covered by the CIN grant

Please send your application, using the attached application form format, to CIN@maastrichtuniversity.nl.

Deadline submission: 31 March 2022