





Industry Academia Research Development Programme (IARDP)

The aim is to promote linkages between industry and academia of India & France by leveraging the research competitiveness of academia and supporting the industry through applied research. The proposals must be innovative and industry-driven towards the development or substantial improvement of new products, processes, etc.

Project proposals submitted should preferably involve at least one industrial partner and one research institute each from India & France preferably (2+2 Model). However, project proposals not fulfilling this 2+2 model are also eligible (at least one industrial partner either in France or in India and a research institute from the other country) but the proposal documents shall clearly justify the situation for not fulfilling this 2+2 model.

Areas

- Renewable & Clean Energy
- Smart Mobility
- Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning
- Agricultural Science and Technology
- Sustainable Nutrition

- Health Care
- Technology for the SDGs (including Marine Sciences)
- Waste Management & Circular Economy

Eligibility Criteria

Academic Collaborator

Principal Collaborators and Joint Collaborators to hold a permanent position as scientists/ Faculty members in universities/ deemed universities, academic institutes and national research and development laboratories/institutes.

Industry Collaborator

Company/SME/MSME/startups should have well established in-house R&D unit with a good track record of R&D achievements. They should be registered and operational for at least last three years.

Application Procedure

Collaborators must submit joint full proposal on online submission system www.cefipraonline.in

Duration

Maximum 3 years

Funding Support (Euro 220 000 max. per project)

For Indian/French Academic Collaborator

- Manpower Head (JRF/RA/Post Doc in Indian side as per DST norms and PhD/Post Doc and Master Student in French side
- Consumables, Contingency + local travel)
- Equipment (Minor equipment only for Indian Academic Collaborator as per CEFIPRA norms)
- International Travel (as per CEFIPRA norms)
- Overheads (as per CEFIPRA norms)

For Indian/French Industrial Collaborator:

Support for Industrial Partner from CEFIPRA may be considered on case to case basis

Deadline 31st August, 2025