CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR MAX PLANCK PARTNER GROUPS AND MAX PLANCK INDIA MOBILITY GRANTS (MPIMG) FOR JUNIOR SCIENTISTS/POSTDOC AND JUNIOR FACULTY

DEADLINE: 14 SEPTEMBER 2018

The Max Planck Society provides specific strategic measures to boost its collaboration with India by means of Max Planck Partner Groups and Max Planck-India Mobility Grants.

Max Planck Partner Groups support collaboration between Max-Planck Institutes and former foreign guest scientists who have returned to their home country in target research areas which are scientifically promising and innovative.

Max Planck-India Mobility Grants provide funding for short-term visits of young Indian Scientists to Max Planck Institutes over a period of four years.

Proposals can be submitted from all three Sections by the Scientific Members of the Max Planck Society.

MAX PLANCK PARTNER GROUPS

Max Planck Partner Groups are intended for outstanding Indian junior scientists (so-called ‘young faculty’ in India) or postdocs who have obtained their doctorate no longer than seven years ago (for a doctorate in medicine: no longer than nine years). They must have spent a minimum of 12 months at a Max Planck Institute and be returning or already have returned to an Indian research institution. The financial support will allow the Max Planck Institutes to maintain contact with these scientists. Partner Groups are usually supported for up to five years with basic MPG funding of €20,000 p.a. provided from MPG central funds. This can be used to cover the costs for travel expenses, workshops, doctoral students and postdocs, for example, as well as smaller equipment.

The decision on whether to establish Partner Groups is taken by the President of the Max Planck Society on the basis of external evaluations.

MAX PLANCK INDIA MOBILITY GRANTS (MPIMG)

Qualified, promising Indian postdocs (so-called ‘young faculty’ in India) who should not have obtained their doctorate no longer than four years ago (for a doctorate in medicine: no longer than six years) and who are already able to demonstrate a recognisable scientific profile are eligible to
be nominated for Max Planck India Mobility Grants. A prior period as a guest at a Max Planck Institute is not a necessary precondition. Scientists who are awarded these grants **must spend a minimum of one month per year at a Max Planck Institute.**

The hosting Max Planck Institute will receive €3,000 per year for four years out of MPG central funds and will use this to cover travel costs (flight costs and local travel), accommodation costs, per diem, and consumables for the Mobility Grant Holder.

The selection procedure follows the same pattern as the Partner Group programme.

Application documents will be sent electronically on request. Information and contact:
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The **deadline** for the submission of nomination and application documents is **Friday, 14 September 2018.** The selection decisions will be announced by mid-December.