General terms and conditions of the call for proposals for joint basic research projects in relativistic astrophysics of the Belarusian Republican Foundation for Fundamental Research and International Center for Relativistic Astrophysics Network

1. General terms

The International Center for Relativistic Astrophysics Network (ICRANet) together with Belarusian Republican Foundation for Fundamental Research (BRFFR) acting on the basis of the collaboration agreement signed on 26 of April 2017 announce the call for proposals for basic research projects in relativistic astrophysics, to be performed by international research teams including Belarusian scientists on the following scientific areas of the call:

- Relativistic astrophysics;
- Cosmology;
- Gravitation.

2. Joint research

The application should be simultaneously submitted to BRFFR and ICRANet in accordance with the defined forms. ICRANet accepts applications from scientists wishing to perform their study in one of the ICRANet centers in Armenia (Yerevan), Belarus (Minsk), France (Nice), Iran (Isfahan), Italy (Pescara). Applicants **must be residents (be citizens or permanent residents)** in the country where they will perform their joint research. Applications must be submitted in English.

3. Evaluation of the joint projects

The applications will be peer reviewed by experts at ICRANet and BRFFR and the results of the call will be published.

The following general evaluation criteria will be considered:

- Scientific quality of the joint research plan
- Balanced cooperation
- Competence and expertise of the teams
- Appropriateness of resources and funding requested
- Expected impacts

4. Decision announcement

Applicants will be notified of the final decision by the **1 of March 2025** regarding the approved joint projects for funding. Each party funds its own part of the project.

5. Publication of the results

The necessary condition for the funding is the requirement to make the results of the research public with necessary publication in scientific literature. After the completion of the research project the report in English should be submitted to both parties.

6. Duration of the project

The duration of the project should not exceed 2 years. The project must not be funded from another funding agency.

7. Project submission

The application form duly filled must be submitted to ICRANet by email secretariat@icranet.org. The application should include:

- title
- application form
- curriculum vitae of the applicant
- list of relevant publications
- requested funding from ICRANet

8. Application deadline

The deadline for the application is 5 of November 2024.

9. Additional information

All inquiries about the application should be sent to secretariat@icranet.org.