



## Applications are invited from established researchers for the **C·I·B Fellowship**

The Centre for Invasion Biology (C·I·B) is an inter-institutional Centre of Excellence established within the South African Centres of Excellence Programme, and co-funded principally by the South African Department of Science and Technology, through the National Research Foundation, and Stellenbosch University. The C·I·B was established in 2004 with the mandate to conduct research and training in biodiversity science especially as it applies to understanding the rates, impacts and management of biological invasions. The C·I·B is internationally recognized as a leading hub for research in the field of biological invasion (further details at: <http://academic.sun.ac.za/cib/>).

The C·I·B's work focusses on five key performance areas (KPA's): research; education and training; networking; information brokerage; and service provision.

Applications are invited from persons from any part of the world who can contribute to any or all of the KPA's, to be considered for appointment as a C·I·B Fellow. Fellows will be expected to visit the C·I·B for a period of between one and three months to engage with C·I·B staff, core team members (CTMs), research associates (RAs) and students on an issue (or issues) clearly aligned to the mission and vision of the C·I·B. The engagement may be aligned to any of the five KPA's (see above) - ideally more than one KPA. Interactions with more than one CTM or RA are preferred. Applications should be accompanied by a letter of support from the CTM or RA, giving full details of alignment with the C·I·B Mission.

The Fellow may be based at the home institution of any C·I·B core team member, but will be expected to spend at least a week of his/her stay at the Stellenbosch headquarters of the C·I·B and to present departmental and/or public lectures there. Fellows will be expected to add a C·I·B address to any product emanating from work undertaken during the Fellowship or from collaborations emerging



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directly from such engagement. The cost of travel to South Africa, local travel within South Africa, and accommodation/subsistence will be reimbursed for a maximum of three months in keeping with the financial procedures of Stellenbosch University and the host institution (if other than SU). Conditions of award are outlined below (see Application Guidelines), and extra conditions may be changed from time to time, without notice.

#### **Application guidelines:**

Applications must be submitted by, and be supported by, the core team member (CTM) who will host the Fellow. Applications should contain:

- A letter of motivation from the CTM hosting the Fellow;
- A short (3 pages max.) motivation from the applicant for the Fellowship, indicating likely products and benefits;
- A full CV of the applicant;
- Approval in principle from the host department/institution in SA;
- Intended length of stay and the amount requested (a budget is preferred).

**Applications should be directed in writing to Professor Dave Richardson, Director, Centre for Invasion Biology, Department of Botany & Zoology, Stellenbosch University, Matieland 7602, SOUTH AFRICA ([rich@sun.ac.za](mailto:rich@sun.ac.za)).**

#### Evaluations

Applications will be evaluated by a panel convened by the C•I•B Director and will be carried out on 1 October and 1 April each year. As many fellowships will be awarded as funds allow. The panel may award fellowships at other times of the year if funding from previous rounds is not taken up and applications are forthcoming.

#### Other conditions

Fellowships awarded must be taken up within six months of approval or the award will lapse.

Fellows will be hosted by the home institution of the identified core team member and this host institution should handle logistic arrangements, including for their visit to Stellenbosch.