

Science by Women Programme: six-month postdoctoral fellowship

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Women for Africa final closing date	30 September 2024	https://mujeresporafrica.es/10th- edition-science-by-women/
Prof Maryke Labuschagne from the Department of Plant Sciences attended this programme and encourages eligible candidates to apply for the fellowship.		@Maryke Labuschagne

The Women for Africa Foundation is excited to announce the launch of the 10th edition of the Science by Women programme. This initiative, known for its dedication to empowering African women in the scientific community, offers a unique opportunity for African women researchers to conduct their postdoctoral research at prestigious Spanish research centres.

It consists of a six-month postdoctoral fellowship programme in collaboration with recognised Spanish centres of excellence, thus ensuring excellence in scientific research in various fields. The programme continues to expand, offering fellowships in key areas such as health, biomedicine, sustainable agriculture, food security, water, energy, and climate change.

Successful candidates will have the following benefits:

- Monthly living allowance of 2 600 euros gross per month. Tax of 24% will be applied, leaving a net of 1 976 euro. This stipend is calculated based on the Spanish basic standard of living to cover accommodation*, maintenance support, and health and emergency insurance for one person only. Please check Annex 2 to be aware of the standard living expenses.
- Round-trip flights from city of origin to host city, up to 1 800 euro.
- Coverage of visa fees and any administrative or transport costs derived from the visa application process, up to 300 euro.
- Possibility of financial aid to participate in seminars or congresses during the period of the fellowship in Spain, after proper evaluation by the Science by Women programme's team.

All applications must include the following documents:

- Motivation letter, with a maximum of one page.
- Full curriculum vitae, preferably in Europass format, including at least two professional references and their contact information.
- Passport or ID.
- Letter of support request this from your HoD and faculty dean.

The application period is now open, and we invite qualified candidates to apply by 30 September 2024. Detailed guidelines and application forms are available on our website: <u>https://mujeresporafrica.es/10th-edition-science-by-women/</u>

We are grateful to our sponsors and research centres for their continued support and commitment to this transformative programme. Together, we are making strides towards a more inclusive and innovative global scientific community.

For more information, please visit our website or contact us directly at science.by.women@mujeresporafrica.es

The Women for Africa Foundation would be grateful if you could support the promotion of this call for application among those women who might be interested in applying for this year's edition.

More information is available here.