



**PROMETEO “VIEJOS SABIOS”
PROGRAM
FOR THE MOBILITY AND EXCHANGE OF
RESEARCHERS IN
SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND
INNOVATION**

Purpose



- The Prometeo “Viejos Sabios” Program is an initiative that seeks to build the research capacities of institutions in the country engaged in science, by establishing linkages with foreign and Ecuadorian researchers residing abroad. These researchers will facilitate the process of generating and exchanging scientific knowledge that can contribute to Sumak Kawsay^[1] or Good Living for all Ecuadorians.

^[1] Sumak Kawsay in Kichwa means “Good Living”, an ancestral concept that the Ecuadorian Constitution has incorporated to guide its policies toward the good of the community and the cosmos.

Activities of Researchers in Ecuador:



- Support national teams in the design, implementation and evaluation of research projects.
- Give classes and actively participate in conferences, workshops, working groups and other academic activities
- Provide training in new procedures and techniques in the areas of science, technology, innovation and productivity.

Minimum Requirements for Applicants for Prometeo:



- PhD in areas related to the objective of the proposed participation
- 10 publications in indexed journals, as author or coauthor, in fields related to the proposal during the past 5 years.
- 50 publications in indexed journals, as author or coauthor, throughout the candidate's scientific career
- Accredited wide-ranging professional and academic experience, as well as additional training in areas related to the candidates' proposal
- To have served as the lead researcher or coordinator in at least 5 scientific research projects
- To have received at least two grants, fellowships or scholarships for work, studies or specialized scientific research
- Having received recognition for scientific work done
- To have established residence abroad at the moment of application

Economic incentives:



During the stay of the foreign researchers in Ecuador, Prometeo will cover the following costs:

- **Air travel**
- **Living stipend up to US\$130 per day**
- **Health and life insurance**
- **Scientific and cultural fund for visits to destinations chosen by the researcher**

REQUIREMENTS FOR ALLIED NORTH AMERICAN AND EUROPEAN GOVERNMENTS:



Prometeo's Diffussion:



**Institutes of Science and
Technology**

Universities and Polytechnics

**State Departments or
Secretariats**

**Medical, Pharmaceutical
Institutions, among others**

Specific contributions for Pro



Contact information with scientists, researchers and specific institutions of science and technology

Facilities in the process of mobility of researchers to Ecuador: passport, visa, household goods and work equipment transporting

Identification and cooperation in common research projects in areas of science, technology, innovation and productivity

Other specific contributions of specific agreements on science and technology