



**APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2015 “L’ORÉAL-UNESCO FOR WOMEN IN SCIENCE” LEVANT & EGYPT
REGIONAL FELLOWSHIPS ARE OPEN**

Beirut, 10 March 2015 – Applications for the 2015 L’ORÉAL -UNESCO FOR WOMEN IN SCIENCE LEVANT & EGYPT REGIONAL FELLOWSHIPS, launched in partnership with the National Council for Scientific Research Lebanon, are open.

The very first program of its kind, L’Oréal-UNESCO for Women in Science was founded in 1998 in the firm belief that the world needs science and science needs women.

For the past 17 years the L’Oréal-UNESCO For Women in Science program has recognized and honored exceptional women scientists and provided fellowships to promising young women researchers at crucial junctures in their careers when stereotypes and pre-conceived notions could be most detrimental. Over 2,250 women recognized in 115 countries.

The **2015 L’ORÉAL-UNESCO FOR WOMEN IN SCIENCE LEVANT & EGYPT REGIONAL FELLOWSHIPS** reflect the consolidated efforts invested by UNESCO and L’Oreal, in close cooperation with the National Council for Scientific Research Lebanon (CNRS), to empower Arab women scientists, in serious recognition to their achievements and contributions to the progress of science and scientific research, and in acknowledging the role they play for the development of their countries.

Five fellowships of € 10,000 each will be given out in 2015 to 5 post-doctoral women scientists coming from: Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, State of Palestine, and Syria.

Applications for the 2015 fellowships should be submitted on www.fwis.fr between the 2nd of March and the 7th of June 2015.

All applications will be evaluated by a Pan Arab panel of eminent scientists, chaired by Professor Mouin Hamzé, Secretary General of the National Council for Scientific Research, CNRS-L.

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