

## PROFILE OF THE IAP-NETWORKS

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### 1. Eligibility conditions

- An IAP is an interuniversity network of scientific teams conducting **basic research** and any scientific field may be the subject of an IAP.
- Each network comprises at least 4 partners belonging to 3 different Belgian institutions :
  - The various partners belong to a Belgian university or a federal scientific institution.
  - Each network includes at least one partner belonging to a university from Belgium's French-speaking Community and one partner belonging to a university from the Flemish Community.
  - A network may include several partners belonging to the same university.
  - A partner may only belong to one single IAP.
- The promoter of a team acts as co-ordinator for the network as a whole and ensures its co-ordination in terms of its scientific and administrative management.
- The minimum funding threshold over the 5 years is set at 900,000 Euros for the co-ordinators and at 500,000 Euros for the other partners. A team without IAP funding may never be considered as a network partner.

### 2. Recommendations

- The networks may develop partnerships with non-Belgian universities or public research institutions. This participation, which takes the form of 50% co-funding, is fixed at a maximum of 160,000 Euros per network over the 5 years.
- The networks are invited to include - if possible - young emerging teams as partners. These are recently established independent teams led by young promising researchers.
- The networks are invited to organize "network-driven training activities" for PhD students and/or post-docs.