



KEY STEPS

Interdisciplinary Master of Science Thesis Program

CALL 2012

<p>3 February 2012</p> <p>Call launch</p>	<p>Pre-launch at raising awareness event, followed by effective launch via website www.birdbelgium.com</p>
<p>Feb– May 2012</p> <p>Projects preparation by students and supervisors</p>	<p>A period of 14 weeks is foreseen to allow the students of the different faculties and possibly universities to prepare the proposals together with their supervisors.</p>
<p>31st of May, 2012</p> <p>Submission deadline</p>	<p>The submissions can be done only in electronic version pdf version to the website www.birdbelgium.com, signed by coordinating professor, deadline 31 May 2012.</p>
<p>June – July 2012</p> <p>Jury deliberation process</p>	<p>The jury takes 4 to 6 weeks to select the maximum six projects. The exact timing respects the faculty specifics. The coordinator of the participating teams will be notified on the jury decision through email by the BiR&D secretariat, followed by a contact from the project follow-up leader, member of BiR&D..</p>
<p>July – Nov 2012</p> <p>Start of the selected project, and first payment</p>	<p>Exact timing respects the university specifics.</p> <p>Payment of the first allocation (50% of total grant), after check of the effective start-up by BiR&D follow-up team.</p>
<p>Feb-March 2013</p> <p>Midterm review and second payment</p>	<p>Progress review by a BiR&D follow-up team with the students and university supervisors, followed by second payment.</p>
<p>July – Sept 2013</p> <p>Submission of the finished theses</p>	<p>Submission of the written theses, after being released by the faculties, in electronic form to the same confidential part of www.birdbelgium.com by the coordinating professor.</p> <p>It is understood that a thesis can take two years to complete</p>
<p>Sept – Nov 2013</p> <p>Evaluation of submitted Theses and selection Awards</p>	<p>A jury composed of representatives from the BiR&D member companies will evaluate the submitted Master of Science Theses and select the Awards winners.</p>
<p>Early 2014</p> <p>Master of Science Thesis Award ceremony</p>	<p>Master of Science Thesis Award ceremony in Belgium in presence of dignitaries and representatives of Universities and BiR&D-members.</p>