

**GUIDELINES TO FILL IN AND SUBMIT THE PRELIMINARY PROPOSAL
APPLICATION FORM FOR THE 2010 COMPETITION FOR SCIENCE
NUCLEI, MILLENNIUM SCIENCE INITIATIVE (MSI)**

GENERAL GUIDELINES

The objective of the 2010 Competition for Science Nuclei, Millennium Science Initiative (MSI) is to support new Science Nuclei, according to the definitions and requirements specified in the Competition Basis. The Millennium Science Initiative Program is described in www.iniciativamilenio.cl.

Please send 9 copies of the proposal written in English, together with an electronic version in CD using Word/Excel format (not Acrobat), in a single file, to Oficina de Partes of the Ministerio de Planificación, in an envelope or package addressed to:

Concurso 2010 Núcleos Científicos en Cs. Naturales y Exactas
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Dispatches coming from outside the Metropolitan Region may be sent by certificate express mail or by bus, until the deadline, informing about this to the Millennium Science Initiative Executive Secretariat, sending the voucher by e-mail or fax (2) 6751650.

Deadline: Preliminary proposals will be **received** until **Friday, May 28, 2010 at 12:00 pm hours**.

In case of any question concerning the application, please contact the Executive Secretariat of Millennium Science Initiative to the e-mail icm@mideplan.cl.

GUIDELINES TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM

The preliminary proposal application form requests information about 4 items, that must be completed following the form's guidelines. The document should be double sided printed using exclusively Times New Roman, 12-point font size, in 8 1/2 x 11 in. sheet, and stapled in the left upper corner (please do not use other type of binding).

All sections and documents of the English version **must be written in this language**, and will be remitted to the jury (Program Committee) as the only source of direct information. The information contained in the electronic version, must be identical to that contained in the printed version, and vice versa. **Do not include documents that haven't been specified in the competition basis**, since they will be excluded and will not be sent to the jury.

Items to be completed are:

- a) Item 1: Principal Investigator's information, name of the proposed Nucleus and statement of commitment to the Project.
- b) Item 2: Host Institution(s): Host Institution's information in which the project is pretended to be hosted, or institution(s) with which links will be established.
- c) Item 3: Summary of the Proposal: (2 – 5 pages). Brief outline explaining the concept of the Nucleus that wants to be created, including scientific investigation working areas, previous works of the group (if applicable), achievements that are expected to be reached in short and long terms, formation of human resources, plans of collaboration networks and outreach, and methodology and procedures used to achieve the goals.
- d) Item 4: Scientific Staff: List of the professional scientific staff participating which must be formed by a team of investigators, identifying the Associated Investigators that will act as Principal Investigator and as Deputy Principal Investigator, and the senior scientific staff. It must include the curricula vitae of the Principal Investigator and other Associated Investigators, indicating their experience as researchers. The Principal Investigator and other Associated Investigators must include a list of their publications, highlighting the five most relevant ones. Use the formats in the extension indicated in the forms.