

## TEACHING

### *ECORE Endowed Chairs*

#### OBJECTIVES

An ECORE endowed chair is meant to distinguish a scholar who has an outstanding curriculum and the potential to deliver major contributions in one of the domains of research of ECORE. An endowed chair provides all kinds of scientific funding to the selected candidate, including general expenses, secretarial assistance, workshops' organization and participation. The support of the basic salary of the professorship is normally supported by the university offering the position, but it could also be part of the donation. The chair could be established to honor a scholar already member of ECORE and teaching in one of the partner universities, or it could be used to attract a top candidate in a renewed or newly created academic position. Young candidates should be encouraged. The establishment and naming of the chair is determined with the donor, subject to approval by the executive committee of ECORE.

#### MOTIVATION

Academic mobility and competition among research entities in the disciplines of ECORE have substantially increased in the last decade in Europe. Also, as experienced by CORE and ECARES during recent years, the brain drain to the United States remains an important phenomenon. In this competition Belgium is in a bad position. Salary and research facilities offered are dramatically lower than in the US, UK, France, Holland and Spain. This is unfortunate as several positions have to be renewed.

#### PROCEDURE

**Selection.** By a scientific committee designated by ECORE in accordance with the rules of the university offering the position.

**Duration.** A first period of five years but renewable.

**Follow up.** Annual reports and evaluation by a scientific committee at the end of the five year period.

**Funded activities.** All kinds of scientific activities including organisation of workshops, visits to or from colleagues, equipment, secretarial assistance, teaching load reduction, support to supervised doctoral students etc.

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