FSTE 2013 Distinguished Visiting Professor Program

Background and rationale

The University wishes to improve its research performance in targeted research areas.

Collaborative partnerships with high-profile international researchers provide a valuable opportunity for mentoring to research staff and students, with potential to generate high quality publications and to attract research income in the future. The FSTE Distinguished Visiting Professor program seeks develop or strengthen partnerships with 'best-in-field' researchers by providing a mechanism and funding to engage with outstanding international researchers.

The Faculty will seed the appointment of two Distinguished Visiting Professors in 2013 by providing funding of \$15,000 for each appointment. This funding may be used for travel costs, for the visiting researcher and a spouse, local accommodation and a stipend to be paid to the visitor. It is expected that the nominated visiting professor will engage with staff in the host department and will visit La Trobe University for approximately two months of each year for a minimum term of three years, with the host school providing funding beyond the first year. This scheme may be used to strengthen partnerships with individuals who are already engaged in a collaborative relationship with La Trobe or to establish new partnerships.

The activity supported by this partnership must fall under one of the FSTE targeted 4-digit FOR codes identified through the ERA process. A list of these FOR codes is attached.

Application process

- This is an open call with no fixed deadline and funding will be allocated to the first two
 approved expressions of interest. Please consult with your Head of School and the Associate
 Dean (Research) to discuss potential nominees and complete the attached EOI for any
 appointment that you wish the faculty to formally consider.
- 2. If the faculty and Head of School agree to support the application then the La Trobe host researcher will submit to People and Culture a nomination for the appointment of the proposed visitor as an adjunct "Distinguished Visiting Professor". If appropriate, the University will then make a formal offer of this appointment to the proposed visitor.

FSTE 2013 Distinguished Visiting Professor Scheme – Expression of Interest

La Trobe host researcher:
Department/Research Unit:
Host School:
FOR code(s) related to the activity of the host researcher and proposed visitor:
Details of proposed appointment as Distinguished Visiting Professor Name and current appointment of proposed visitor:
Institution/Country:
Executive summary of the proposed visitor's research profile:
Please attach a CV if available and a list of publications
Benefit to the host Department/Research Unit/La Trobe host researcher and likely outcomes:

FSTE 2013 Targeted 4-digit FoR Codes

4-digit FoR Code	FoR Title	ERA 2012 rank
0101	Pure Mathematics	2
0102	Applied Mathematics	2
0204	Condensed Matter Physics	4
0301	Analytical Chemistry	5
0306	Physical Chemistry	2
0503	Soil Sciences	4
0601	Biochemistry and Cell Biology	5
0602	Ecology	3
0604	Genetics	3
0605	Microbiology	5
0606	Physiology	4
0607	Plant Biology	4
0608	Zoology	4
0703	Crop & Pasture Production	3
0707	Veterinary Sciences	5
0801	Artificial Intelligence and Image Processing	3
0806	Information Systems	3
1109	Neurosciences	3
1701	Psychology	2