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Professor Michel Dumas is a Neurologist and a Tropical Medicine Specialist. He was the Head of the Neurology Department at Dakar Hospital in Senegal, and then at Limoges University Hospital. He is the founder of the Institute of Epidemiology and Tropical Neurology in Limoges and was its Director from 1982 to 2002. Prof. Dumas has trained a large number of Neurologists, several of them have since become professors and have set up Neurology departments in their countries, and started themselves training young people. Prof Dumas is a member of several international institutions, and the author or co-author of over 700 publications, book chapters and training manuals. Over the past 40 years, Prof Dumas has been able to develop a great scientific and human network particularly in Neuro-infectious diseases and Neuro-epidemiology, which has become a real tropical neurology family. He has played a major role in the implementation of neurology training, care and research in Africa but also in Southeast Asia and South America.

2017 AWARD

The Institute of Epidemiology and Tropical Neurology (IENT) of the University of Limoges, and INSERM UMR 1094 of Tropical Neuroepidemiology, in partnership with Sanofi's Access to Medicines Department, will grant a **€15,000 award** to a medical doctor or other healthcare professional (under 40 years of age), working in low and middle income countries.

This award is aimed at supporting the implementation, over an **18 months period**, of a project to improve access to care for people with epilepsy in developing countries. The scientific project will be selected based on its contribution to the field of epilepsy (research, training, establishing sustainable structures, supporting the population, etc.).

APPLICATION FILE

It must include the following:

- An application letter;
- The applicant's details such as e-mail address, postal address, phone number;
- A curriculum vitae;
- A letter from the head of the institution where, or with which, the project will be implemented;
- The project title and a summary clearly defining the objectives of the project;
- A document detailing the research question, the protocol and essential references (10 pages maximum);
- A detailed budget and information regarding potential co-funding;
- Other submissions and/or grants for the same research period;
- A preliminary schedule for the research project.

The complete application must be sent via e-mail by **31 December 2017** to Prof Pierre-Marie PREUX (ient@unilim.fr), Director of IENT and Inserm UMR 1094.

AWARD AND RULES

Applications will be selected by an international jury. Candidates will be evaluated on the following criteria: CV / quality and presentation of the application / medical and scientific interest of the project / social and medical interest for the implementation of the project in the specific area / justification of the use of funds and potential co-funding options / feasibility. Questions might be asked by the jury via e-mail to the candidate.

The winner will be announced at the IMPACT Forum. The successful applicant will agree to present the result of their work at the IMPACT Forum at the end of their project.

Full rules are available at: <http://www.unilim.fr/ient/>