

Call for applications for 6 postdoctoral positions – EUR ArChal

The *Archaeological Challenges* Graduate Research School (EUR ArChal) is launching a call for applications for 6 postdoctoral positions, with a **length of 21 months (01 December 2026–31 August 2028)**.

The successful candidates will be based at one of the CNRS Research Units (UMR) that are partners of EUR ArChal (UMR 8096 ArchAm, UMR 7041 ArScAn, UMR 8215 Trajectoires, UMR 8167 Orient et Méditerranée, UMR 8068 TEMPS). For more information on these research units, see <https://eur-archal.panthéonsorbonne.fr/en/partners/french-partners>.

EUR ArChal in a few words

EUR ArChal is led by the University of Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne and supported by seven partner institutions (<https://eur-archal.panthéonsorbonne.fr/en/partners>).

It develops original teaching and research projects based on cutting-edge methods in archaeology and on issues related to current global challenges. Through a diachronic analysis of the strategies adopted in the past to address these challenges, the EUR ArChal offers a unique knowledge base on the subject and aims to contribute, in the light of the past, to the implementation of sustainable strategies to meet the challenges of the future.

The training and research project is structured around four major challenges:

1. Environment and climate change
2. Power and inequalities
3. Conflicts, mobilities and migrations
4. Technology and innovation

For further information on EUR ArChal challenges, visit the website: <https://eur-archal.panthéonsorbonne.fr/en/themes-and-challenges>

Who can apply?

- **Holders of a PhD in archaeology** from the **University of Paris 1** or **one of its partner universities**: *Freie Universität Berlin* (Germany), *Universidad Complutense Madrid* (Spain), *Alma Mater Studiorum Università di Bologna* (Italy), and the *Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales – INALCO* (France). Holders of a PhD in the fields of cultural heritage, conservation-restoration, or art history awarded by one of these same institutions may also apply.
- The **PhD** must have been **awarded less than three years** prior to 1 October 2026.
- There are **no age or nationality requirements**.

Remuneration

The monthly gross salary is **2,858 euros**.

How to apply

Your application should include:

1. A *curriculum vitae*.
2. A **150-word summary** of the project, in French and English.
3. A list of **six keywords**, in French and English.
4. A **copy of the doctoral degree** certificate and, for degrees obtained in France, the **thesis defence report**.
5. A **project proposal of no more than 8 pages**, in French or English (font size 12, single-spaced). The objectives, the methodology developed, the expected results and the scientific scope of the project must be set out. A concise explanation of **how the project relates to the scientific objectives and to one or more of the EUR ArChal's research themes** (challenges) is required. Their **integration within the host laboratory** (UMR) must also be clearly explained.
6. **Two letters of recommendation**, written by academic personalities capable of assessing the candidate's academic background and work. These letters may be written, for example, by the PhD supervisor or a member of the thesis examination jury.
7. A **letter of acceptance from the host laboratory** (see template available for download via the following link: <https://eur-archal.panthéonsorbonne.fr/en/applications-registration/campagn-postdoctoral-positions-2026>
8. The application form, duly completed and signed, which can be downloaded from the following link: <https://eur-archal.panthéonsorbonne.fr/en/applications-registration/campagn-postdoctoral-positions-2026>

Submission and assessment of application

1. All documents required for the application must be compiled into a **single PDF file** and sent, via a **file transfer service**, to elise.morero@univ-paris1.fr, by **23:59 on September 20, 2026**.
2. Applications will be assessed on the basis of the application submitted by an **evaluation committee**. This committee is made up of academics and researchers from the various partner institutions. The composition of the committee will be published on the EUR website.
3. The **results** will be published during the second half of October 2026.