1. OBJECTIVES

USP is the trustee of several invaluable historical, scientific and cultural collections. The access to this material should be encouraged and facilitated to the benefit of society. The use of such material by outside researchers who visit USP allows significant increase of its scientific and cultural value. Thus, in addition to providing access to its collections, USP starts supporting young researchers interested in working in projects involving the collections from its following institutions: Museum of Contemporary Art (MAC), Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology (MAE), Museu Paulista (MP), Museum of Zoology (MZ), Guita and José Mindlin Brasiliana Library (BBM), Maritime Biology Center (CEBIMar) and Institute of Brazilian Studies (IEB).

The present USP Collections Research Program offers individual support to researchers willing to develop studies on the collections of USP Museums, of Guita and José Mindlin Brasiliana Library , of the Institute of Brazilian Studies or from material collected by CEBIMar, for a minimum of three months.

2. ELIGIBILITY OF PARTICIPANTS

Postgraduate and postdoctoral students from Brazil or abroad are eligible, as well as doctorates currently teaching or researching at Brazilian or foreign institutions.

Each of the seven institutions involved should make full disclosure of such support, in Brazil and abroad. The selection will be made by an ad hoc committee of the institution, which should include the chairmen from Research, Post-Graduation and Cultural and Extension Activities committees, if any.

3. FINANCIAL RESOURCES

The four USP Museums (MAC, MAE, MP and MZ), the BBM, the CEbIMar and IEB will offer 3 scholarships each, for the year 2017.

The scholarships, which include transportation and maintenance expenses, will be of R\$ 15,000 for a period of 3 months.

The maximum budget resources committed to the program will be R\$ 315,000. The funds will be decentralized to the units, which will be on the program attendance.

4. DEADLINES

Public Call Release: 01/23/2017

Submission of projects start date: 01/24/2017

Submission of projects deadline: 02/24/2017

Projects analysis up to: 03/24/2017

Results disclosure: 03/27/2017.

If the projects do not meet this document's requirements or the quality expected by the institutions involved, there will be a second project submission period from 03/28/2017 to 04/20/2017. The results would be published until 05/08/2017.

Implementation of selected projects under financial resources: from 06/01/2017 to 11/30/2017.

Final report of the implemented project submission date to the Research Unit: 12/11/2017.

5. CANCELLATION OR REVOCATION OF THE NOTICE

At any time, this notice may be revoked or canceled in whole or in part, according to the interests of USP Administration or legal requirements, without incurring in compensations or claims of any nature.

The President's Office in charge claims the right to solve any omissions and situations not covered by this Notice.