

Es Tiempo de Volver — Colombia's 2014 Postdoctoral Repatriation Call for Colciencias

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Quality score: 29/100

Evidence strength: Cautionary / limited

Summary

Colombia's science agency Colciencias earmarked COP 17.2bn (later cut to COP 11bn) to repatriate PhD-holding scientists via 2-year postdoctoral stays at 35 institutions; 883 candidates qualified but funded places fell from a planned 200 to 140.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured results	1/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	1/3
Scalability	0/3
Sustainability / continuity	0/3
Innovation	1/3
Inclusiveness / equity	1/3
Multi-stakeholder collaboration	2/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-08-25

[Colciencias \(now Ministerio de Ciencia, Tecnología e Innovación – Minciencias\)](#) — accessed 2026-08-25

[Colciencias/Minciencias — official programme announcement](#) — accessed 2026-08-25

[El Espectador — Colciencias improvisó con "Es tiempo de volver"](#) — accessed 2026-08-25

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