

## EURAXESS LINKS NORTH AMERICA

Dear colleagues!

This month's EU Insight is focusing on the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Research Infrastructures held in Athens, Greece, earlier this month. The European Research Infrastructures are part of Horizon 2020's first pillar – Excellent Science – with a budget of over USD 3 billion.

Under the Grants&Fellowships section, you will find many fellowships, grants and job opportunities offered by the EU member states and associated countries.

EURAXESS Links North America has been very active also during the month of April. One of our main goals is to join forces with other European projects/initiatives/activities in order to present the European Research Area to its fullest potential. We participated, together with our colleagues from the ERC, at two events in April: AACR and AAG Annual Meetings in San Diego and Tampa respectively. The Moscone Center in San Francisco was the venue for the 2014 MRS Spring Meeting where we successfully exhibited with the EU Delegation to the USA. Taking advantage of being in the bay area, we organized a 'European Funding workshop' at the UC Davis campus together with colleagues from DAAD, German and the British Consulates in San Francisco. EURAXESS was also presented at the NCURA International Region Meeting and the 2014 INORMS Conference in Washington, DC in collaboration with the Bilat USA 2.0 project.

Looking ahead, a series of information sessions on EU Funding Opportunities will be taking place in the Western part of Canada with the involvement of the EU Delegation to Canada, the ERA-Can+ partners and EURAXESS Links North America. More information can be found [here](#).

**SAVE THE DATE!!!** EURAXESS Science Slam 2014 is going to take place in Toronto, CAN on October 22, 2014. More information about the submission and participation rules will be coming very soon. Stay tuned!

**EURAXESS Links North America Team**



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# 1 EU Insight – 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Research Infrastructures

Since 2012 the former biennial European Conferences on Research Infrastructures have been opened to address an **international audience on global research infrastructures**. Under this new scope, the second International Conference on Research Infrastructures (ICRI) was held in Athens, from 2-4 April, 2014.

ICRI 2014 offered a high level international forum where key stakeholders could meet, discuss and contribute to bringing forward global issues related to Research Infrastructures. It was co-organised by the European Commission and the Greek EU Presidency of the European Union.

The conference attracted more than 800 international participants during three days and included an exhibition of demonstrations and videos of international research infrastructure projects.

In her launching keynote speech, the European Commissioner for Research, Innovation and Science, Máire Geoghegan-Quinn stressed **“the importance of Research Infrastructures as centres of innovation and of knowledge transfer to industry and society at large.”**

Research infrastructures play a vital role in the advancement of knowledge and technology. Scientific progress would be impossible without state-of-the-art super-computers or, for instance, large-scale laser systems. Responding to challenges like climate change is also greatly helped by environmental research facilities such as deep-sea-floor observatories or icebreaker research vessels, to name only a few.

The key objectives of the ICRI 2014 included:

- highlighting the essential role of global research infrastructures in addressing grand challenges at all scales: national, regional, continental and global
- reflecting on the needs and challenges that arise during the development and operation of global research infrastructures at all these levels
- presenting the main characteristics of global research infrastructures and identifying the challenges and drivers for collaboration at an international level.

Plenary sessions were held on the issues of big data management, innovation potential for research infrastructures, governance of research infrastructures and research infrastructures for global challenges. The key topics of the parallel sessions at ICRI 2014 included marine research infrastructures, palaeoanthropology and cultural heritage, food security and e-infrastructure.

The [European Research Infrastructures](#) have a place within the Excellent Science pillar of Horizon 2020 with an allocated budget of 10% in the whole pillar, a total of 2.5 billion euro to develop and support:

- 1000 research infrastructures available for all European and non-European researchers through the EU's support
- 60% of ESFRI infrastructures must be launched by 2015

Interviews from the ICRI highlighting the objectives of different participants can be found [here!](#)



A major difficulty in setting up such research infrastructures between EU countries is the lack of an adequate legal framework allowing the creation of appropriate partnerships. Existing legal forms under national law do not fulfil the needs of these new European infrastructures. The same applies to legal forms under international or EU law.

It is in this context that the European Commission, responding to requests from EU countries and the scientific community, proposed a legal framework for a European research infrastructure (ERI) adapted to the needs of such facilities.

In August 2009, the community legal framework for a European Research Infrastructure Consortium (ERIC) entered into force. This specific legal form is designed to facilitate the joint establishment and operation of research infrastructures of European interest.

Member States, Associated Countries, third countries and intergovernmental organisations can be members of an ERIC. However, a state may decide to be represented by one or more public entities or private entities with a public-service mission, e.g. research organisations or research councils. Following the application to the European Commission, the typical timing for the decision could be between 4 and 8 months.

Sources:

- [1] [International Conference on Research Infrastructures](#)
- [2] [Launching speech ICRI by Máire Geoghegan-Quinn](#)
- [3] [European Research Infrastructures Consortium \(ERIC\)](#)



## 2 News & Developments

### 2.1 Commissioner Geoghegan-Quinn welcomes EP adoption of €22 billion Innovation Investment Package

European Commissioner for Research, Innovation and Science Máire Geoghegan-Quinn has welcomed the adoption by the European Parliament of a package of public-private and public-public research partnerships worth up to €22 billion. The Innovation Investment Package (IIP) and the Single European Sky Air Traffic Management Research (SESAR) joint undertaking now go to Council for final approval. Most of the investment will go to six public-private partnerships in innovative medicines, aeronautics, bio-based industries, fuel cells and hydrogen, electronics and rail transport.

[More information](#)

### 2.2 TTIP means trading away better regulation

Only a deep, structural reform of US chemicals legislation can be the basis of regulatory trans-Atlantic cooperation, writes Baskut Tuncak. Anything less is a stalling tactic.

*„Baskut Tuncak is the Chemicals Program Attorney for the Center for International Environmental Law (CIEL)“*

[More information](#)

### 2.3 EU-US Summit in Brussels

On 26 March President Obama was in Brussels for the EU-US Summit. The joint Summit Statement stressed the importance of EU-US cooperation in science, research and innovation, with the leaders committing to expand EU-US cooperation in research, innovation and new emerging technologies in support of jobs and growth. The new flagship in marine and arctic research cooperation – the Transatlantic Ocean research Alliance, was highlighted as an example of future cooperation.

[More information](#)

### 2.4 Probing the brain without surgery

A breakthrough European research project has developed a safe and simple approach that avoids surgery and its associated risks in order to help patients with traumatic brain injury (TBI). The BrainSafe project uses an innovative technology for non-invasive monitoring of intracranial pressure (ICP), the pressure inside the skull and thus the brain tissue and the surrounding fluid.

[More information](#)



## 2.5 Interview with Dr Saskia Biskup – the first-prize winner of the EU Prize for Women Innovators 2014

The freedom of running your own company can make it easier to combine work with family. That's according to human geneticist and entrepreneur Dr Saskia Biskup, the first-prize winner of the EU Prize for Women Innovators 2014. She is the co-founder of CeGaTGmbH, a leading German biotech company that conducts diagnostic testing for genetic diseases.

[More information](#)

## 2.6 New study identifies Europe's 34 ICT hubs

ICT excellence is highly concentrated in a few areas in Europe which are closely clustered among themselves. These are the main conclusions of a JRC-led study which maps ICT activity and ranks European regions based on their performance. Results show that most ICT activity takes place in 34 EU regions (out of the 1303 analysed) located in 12 countries, which represent a large share of the total EU ICT activity.

[More information](#)

## 2.7 Ocean Sampling Day: be part of it!

On **21st June 2014** will take place a "world première": The Ocean Sampling Day (OSD). On this summer solstice day, up to 100 science teams all around the world will take water samples from the ocean in order to identify the microbes in it.

[More information](#)

## 2.8 "Like two halves of the brain" – how we're working with US on Human Brain Project

President Obama's visit to Brussels is a reminder of how the EU and US can benefit by working together. From ensuring a safer internet for our kids, internet governance, not to mention significant trade and investment negotiations: there are many areas where we work with our American partners in the digital realm. But here's one example of a very concrete piece of research where we are "putting our heads together".

[More information](#)

# 3 Grants & Fellowships

## 3.1 Europe

### 3.1.1 Marie Skłodowska-Curie research fellowships





Calls	Publication date	Deadline
<a href="#">INNOVATIVE TRAINING NETWORKS (ITN)</a>	2013-12-11	2014-04-09
<a href="#">Individual Fellowships (IF)</a>	2014-03-12	2014-09-11

**ITN** supports competitively selected joint research training and/or doctoral programmes, implemented by partnerships of universities, research institutions, research infrastructures, businesses, SMEs, and other socio-economic actors from different countries across Europe and beyond.

**RISE** involves organisations from the academic and non-academic sectors (in particular SMEs), based in Europe (EU Member States and Associated Countries) and outside Europe (third countries). Support is provided for the development of partnerships in the form of joint research and innovation activities between the participants. This is aimed at knowledge sharing via international as well as inter-sectoral mobility, based on two-way secondments of research and innovation staff (exchanges) with an in-built return mechanism.

The **Individual Fellowships** support the international mobility of researchers within and beyond Europe.

These fellowships are open to researchers of all nationality and in all areas, who, at the time of the relevant deadline for submission of proposals, are in possession of a doctoral degree or have at least four years of full-time equivalent research experience.

### 3.1.2 Fulbright-Schuman Program

The Fulbright-Schuman Program, administered by the Commission for Educational Exchange between the United States and Belgium, is jointly financed by the U.S. State Department and the Directorate-General for Education and Culture of the European Commission. The program funds graduate and post-graduate study, research, and lecture proposals in the field of US-EU relations, EU policy, or EU institutions for interested American and EU citizens.

[More information](#)

### 3.1.3 European Research Council Grants



Researchers from anywhere in the world can apply for a European Research Council (ERC) grant to go to Europe and conduct research (for at least 50% of their working time). Currently over 300 ERC grantees out of nearly 4,000 are non-Europeans. Research teams set up by ERC grantees are highly international – an estimated 18% of team members are non-Europeans.

Open call:

- [ERC Consolidator Grant](#) | ERC-2014-CoG

**Deadline Date: 20 May 2014**



### 3.1.4 Jean Monnet Postdoctoral Fellowships

The Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies (RSCAS) offers one or two year fellowships to post-docs in an early stage of their academic career. Priority will be given to proposals that fit well with one or more of the Centre's core research themes: European Institutions, Governance and Democracy, Migration, Economic and Monetary Policy, Competition Policy and Market Regulation, Energy Policy and Climate Policy, Global Governance & International and Transnational Relations of the EU.

**Deadline Date: 31 October 2014**

[More information](#)

### 3.1.5 EMBO: Fellowships

Young scientists actively seek EMBO Long-Term Fellowships for postdoctoral research to fund and support their internationally mobile careers. Hundreds of scientists also benefit each year from EMBO Short-Term Fellowships, returning to their home laboratories with new skills as well as contacts for future collaborations.

[Short-Term Fellowships](#) – applications accepted throughout the year

[Long-Term Fellowships](#) – next deadline: **15 August 2014**

### 3.1.6 National EURAXESS portals

The latest information on open calls for national grants and fellowships in the 40 member countries of the EURAXESS network can be accessed on the respective national EURAXESS portal.

[Austria](#), [Belgium](#), [Bosnia-Herzegovina](#), [Bulgaria](#), [Croatia](#), [Cyprus](#), [Czech Republic](#), [Denmark](#), [Estonia](#), Faroe Islands, [Finland](#), [France](#), [FYRoMacedonia](#), [Germany](#), [Greece](#), [Hungary](#), [Iceland](#), [Ireland](#), [Israel](#), [Italy](#), [Latvia](#), [Lithuania](#), [Luxembourg](#), [Malta](#), Moldova, [Montenegro](#), [Netherlands](#), [Norway](#), [Poland](#), [Portugal](#), [Romania](#), [Serbia](#), [Slovakia](#), [Slovenia](#), [Spain](#), [Sweden](#), [Switzerland](#), [Turkey](#), [UK](#).

Besides providing information on funding opportunities for incoming international and European researchers, staff at the EURAXESS Service Centres offer individual assistance on all aspects of researcher mobility.

## 3.2 EU Member States and Associated Countries

### 3.2.1 Austria: Lise Meitner Program for Scientists from Abroad

Target group: Highly qualified scientists of any discipline who could contribute to the scientific development of an Austrian research institution by working at it. Requirements: completed doctoral studies, international scientific publications, no age limit, invitation from an Austrian research institution.

No deadline – call constantly open.

[More information](#)



### 3.2.2 Austria: IST FELLOW\*: Call for Postdoctoral Fellows

Are you a talented, dynamic, and motivated scientist looking for an opportunity to conduct research in the fields of BIOLOGY, COMPUTER SCIENCE, MATHEMATICS, PHYSICS, or NEUROSCIENCE at a young, thriving institution that fosters scientific excellence and interdisciplinary collaboration?

Apply to the ISTFellow program. Deadlines March 15 and **September 15**.

[More information](#)

\* IST FELLOW is partially funded by the European Union

### 3.2.3 Belgium: Research Foundation Flanders (FWO) International Mobility

The FWO encourages mobility among researchers and international contacts between research groups. For this purpose, FWO offers different possibilities to researchers to go abroad and to build international networks.

[More information](#)

### 3.2.4 Belgium: Postdoc fellowships to non-EU researchers

The stimulation of international mobility and the attraction of researchers from abroad is one of the priorities of the European Research Area.

In this context and intending to stimulate the S&T cooperation, the Federal Science Policy Office (BELSPO) implements a fellowship scheme for highly qualified non EU researchers (i.e. postdoctoral level or equivalent experience), granting them an opportunity to work during 6 to 18 months in a Belgian research team.

[More information](#)

### 3.2.5 Denmark: Ministry of Higher Education and Science: PhD scholarships outside the universities

The Danish Council for Independent Research invites proposals for PhD scholarships to be carried out at Danish research institutions outside the universities.

[More information](#)

### 3.2.6 Estonia: Scholarships

The Estonian Government offers a number of scholarships intended for university students, researchers or lecturers for studying and doing research at Estonian public universities and institutions. Mostly scholarships are for master's degree and doctoral degree, but some bachelor degree scholarships are also possible.

[More information](#)



### 3.2.7 Finland: CIMO Fellowships

The CIMO Fellowships programme is open to young Doctoral level students and researchers from all countries and from all academic fields. Master's level studies or post-doctoral studies/research are not supported in the programme.

There are no annual application deadlines in the CIMO Fellowship programme. Applications may be considered at all times. However, please note that applications should be submitted at least 5 months before the intended scholarship period. Decisions will be made within approximately 3 months after receipt of application.

[More information](#)

### 3.2.8 France: Overview of research exchange programs

The Office for Science and Technology (OST) located in the French Embassy to the United States (Washington D.C.) regularly updates an overview of research exchange programs addressing all categories of researchers in various areas. A specific section of the OST website contains current calls for proposals, career opportunities, and information on French higher education programs.

[More information](#)

### 3.2.9 Germany: Max Planck Institute for the Study of Sciences: Program for Visiting Researchers

The Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies offers visiting researchers from Germany and abroad the opportunity to conduct research at the Institute. Visitors usually stay for two to nine months. Scholars of all levels of seniority, including Ph.D. students, may apply. Their research projects should closely relate to work done at the MPIfG. The selection process will consider the alignment of the proposed research with the Institute's current research strengths, or with research areas the Institute wishes to develop as priorities. Applications are particularly sought from researchers working in the fields of Economic Sociology and Political Economy.

Next deadline: **31 May 2014**

[More information](#)

### 3.2.10 Germany: Max Planck Institute for the Study of Sciences: Short-term Internships

Applicants are expected to have a serious interest in the social sciences and above-average study grades. Students of economics and social sciences (BA or MA) should apply by July 1st for the winter semester. Interns are assigned to ongoing projects and gain insights into the institute's areas of research. There are also opportunities to participate in the institute's lectures and seminars. When appropriate, support can be given to interns on their thesis projects. Interns receive a monthly allowance of 400 euros.

Next deadline: **1 July 2014**

[More information](#)



### 3.2.11 Germany: Alexander von Humboldt Foundation: German Chancellor Fellowships for Prospective Leaders

The Alexander von Humboldt Foundation offers prospective leaders from Brazil, China, India, Russia and the USA the opportunity to conduct a project as guests of the partner of their choice in Germany.

With the support of their hosts the fellows can spend a year concentrating on a project they have chosen themselves and give their career a boost. German Chancellor Fellowships are open to an array of sectors such as politics, public administration and business as well as society and culture.

Next deadline: **15 September 2014**

[More information](#)

### 3.2.12 Lithuania: Lithuanian Research Council: Postdoctoral Fellowships

Researchers from Lithuania and abroad who have been awarded a Ph.D. degree within a period of 3 years can apply for Postdoctoral Fellowships. Any higher education institution, research institute, research center or other research establishments and enterprises in Lithuania can act as a Host Institution.

[More information](#)

### 3.2.13 Luxembourg: National Foundation for Research: INTER Mobility Program

The aim of the INTER Mobility Programme is to promote the scientific exchange between research groups of the Luxembourg public research institutions and research groups abroad in order to foster innovative, internationally competitive research and support the exchange of key knowledge and technological know-how. Thus the activities should have a strong impact on the research programme of the Luxembourg research group as well as on the career development of the researcher. The INTER Mobility Programme allows for research stays in both directions (researchers working in Luxembourg to go abroad or for researchers from elsewhere to come to Luxembourg).

Next deadline: **30 June 2014**

[More information](#)

### 3.2.14 Malta: University of Malta: Junior Research Fellowships

Junior Research Fellowships are available as part of the Educational and Cultural Affairs Fellowships. Open to doctoral students and recent Ph.D. recipients who are U.S. citizens.

[More information](#)



### 3.2.15 Norway: Fulbright Norway: The US-Norway Fulbright Grant Program

The U.S.-Norway Fulbright Foundation offers a range of mobility scholarships to students and researchers for stays with Norwegian and American host organizations.

[More information](#)

### 3.2.16 Norway: The American Scandinavian Foundation: Fellowship/Grants to study in Scandinavia

The American-Scandinavian Foundation (ASF) offers fellowships (up to \$23,000) and grants (up to \$5,000) to individuals to pursue research, study or creative arts projects in one or more Scandinavian country for up to one year. The number of awards varies each year according to total funds available. Awards are made in all fields.

Next deadline: **1 November 2014**

[More information](#)

### 3.2.17 Poland: Foundation for Polish Science: KOLUMB – supporting grants

Programme – supporting grants is an additional offer for the KOLUMB programme laureates (till 2009 edition). The aim of the grant is to enable young researchers to take a full advantage of gained knowledge and skills during the further work in Polish research institutions.

**Applications accepted on a rolling basis.**

[More information](#)

### 3.2.18 Poland: Foundation for Polish Science: IDEAS FOR POLAND

The objective of the program is to encourage young, brilliant researchers from all over the world to choose Poland as the place to carry out their research projects submitted for the ERC competition. The program is designed for people whose previous scientific record demonstrates they are highly independent as researchers and warrants they will conduct world-class quality research.

**Applications accepted on a rolling basis.**

[More information](#)

### 3.2.19 Slovakia: SAIA, n.o.: Scholarships of the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic – Study/Research Stay for PhD Students (5 months)

Next deadline: **31 May 2014**

[More information](#)



### 3.2.20 Slovakia: SAIA, n.o.: Scholarships of the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic – Teaching/Research Stay for University Teachers and Researchers (3 months)

Next deadline: **31 May 2014**

[More information](#)

### 3.2.21 Spain: First call for UC3M CONEX talent recruitment under COFUND initiative

The objective of CONEX (CONnecting EXcellence to UC3M) is to provide training and opportunities for professional development for postdoctoral researchers of any nationality, who are not residents in Spain, so that they can advance in their professional careers while contributing their knowledge to the Spanish scientific university system. Accordingly, applicants who respond to this call can carry out their own research and contribute their experience to the UC3M department or research institution of his/her choice. Thus, the intention is to connect excellence with UC3M through this mobility programme.

The CONEX programme aims to offer a total of 28 of these types of fellowships. In the first call, 16 researchers will be chosen: 6 in the category “Very Experienced Professors” - those having more than 10 years of postdoctoral research experience; and 10 in the category “Experienced Professors” - those having 4-10 years of experience since receiving their doctoral degree.

Questions can be directed at: [conex@uc3m.es](mailto:conex@uc3m.es)

Next deadline: **29 May 2014**

[More information](#)

### 3.2.22 Sweden: Swedish Research Council for Health, Working Life and Welfare: Visting Researchers

The purpose of funding visiting researchers is to add qualified knowledge and competence to the Swedish research society within Forte’s areas of responsibility. These financial contributions should primarily fund shorter stays (less than six months) for research, consultations, lectures and seminars (also at other institutions than the host institution). Grants for visiting researchers are exclusively for researchers active at non-Swedish research institutions.

[More information](#)

### 3.2.23 Sweden: Swedish Research Council: Tage Erlander Visiting Professorship

The purpose of this professorship is to give an internationally recognized foreign researchers the opportunity to spend one year at a university or higher education institution (HEI) or research institute in Sweden.

Next deadline: **5 May 2014**

[More information](#)



### 3.2.24 Sweden: Swedish Research Council: Kerstin Hesselgren and Olof Palme Visiting Professorships

The purpose of these visiting professorships is to enrich and develop the work of Swedish University departments in a manner that benefits the department's own activities, and can lead to continued international cooperation.

The Kerstin Hesselgren Chair should be awarded to a foreign prominent internationally-recognized female researcher in the social sciences or humanities.

Next deadline: **5 May 2014**

[More information](#)

### 3.2.25 Sweden: VINNOVA: VINNMER Marie Curie Incoming

The purpose of this call is to support experienced researcher careers through mobility and international collaborations. Experienced researchers of all nationalities can apply for international mobility to Sweden with project times of 1-3 years.

Next deadline: **16 September 2014**

[More information](#)

### 3.2.26 Turkey: TÜBİTAK: Fellowships for Visiting Scientists and Scientists on Sabbatical Leave

In order to contribute to the improvement of human resources and the research in Natural Sciences, Engineering and Technology, Medical Sciences, Social Sciences and Humanities (\*) at Universities, Research Institutions and Industry in TURKEY, the eminent scientists/researchers are supported to visit to Turkey by giving seminars/conferences/lectures, or doing R&D activities.

Next deadline: **last working day of each month**

[More information](#)

## 3.3 Databases and Further Information

### 3.3.1 Austria: Database of scholarships and research grants available

Austria's most comprehensive database for scholarships and research grants in German and English language offers an overview of about 1200 funding opportunities for incoming and outgoing researchers, graduates and students.

[More information](#)

### 3.3.2 Austria: Information from the Office of Science & Technology in Washington D.C.

"Building bridges of knowledge and expertise between Austria and North America" - this is the mission of the Office of Science & Technology ([OST](#)) at the Embassy of Austria in Washington, D.C. The OST is the strategic interface in the sciences, research, and research policy between Austria and North



America. OST staff can inform you on most relevant funding opportunities in Austria.

### 3.3.3 Belgium: a comprehensive webportal

Calls for proposals are published all through the year on the Belgian Federal portal for research and innovation.

[Further information](#)

### 3.3.4 Cyprus: the Research Promotion Foundation

The Research Promotion Foundation (RPF) promotes the development of scientific and technological research in Cyprus. The RPF has established a list of research stakeholders, some offering funding opportunities.

[More information](#)

### 3.3.5 Denmark: Funding programmes for research and innovation and Danish Innovation Centre in the USA

The Danish Ministry of Science, Innovation and Higher Education has published an exhaustive [guide](#) to Danish funding programmes. Innovation Centre Denmark, Silicon Valley, provides you with information about Danish research environment and funding opportunities.

[More information](#)

### 3.3.6 Estonia: Estonia Research portal!

Estonian Research Portal is the public section of the Estonian Research Information System. It gives an overview on various aspects of Estonian R&D including funding opportunities.

[More information](#)

### 3.3.7 Finland: Key links to Finnish funding agencies and opportunities

Funding for scientific research in Finland comes predominantly from private companies and the government. Other important sources of funding include various funds and foundations. Here are some of the biggest [funding agencies](#).

### 3.3.8 France: Find your PhD with the new website "PhD in France"

This website presents French PhD offers on one platform and is open to all foreign students.

This site aggregates the offers of the laboratories and universities in France. It helps in making research simple for all foreign and English-speaking students wishing to pursue a PhD in France.

For the majority of the scientific doctorates, the student gets a 3-year employment contract for a gross amount of approximately € 1,700 / month (1300 € net).

[More information](#)



### 3.3.9 Germany: Funding and resources opportunities for graduate and doctoral students, postdocs and faculty and researchers

The German Center for Research and Innovation based in New York compiles all existing funding and resources opportunities for graduate and doctoral students, postdocs and faculty and researchers.

[More information](#)

### 3.3.10 Ireland: Research opportunities

The Irish Research Council (IRC) manages a suite of inter-linked research schemes, funding scholars at various career stages, from postgraduate study to senior research project-based awards. For early stage researchers these include the Gov. of Ireland Postgraduate scholarships and Gov. of Ireland Postdoctoral Fellowships, which fund research at pre- and post-doctoral levels, and the Research Project Grants Scheme, which allows researchers and research teams to expand their activities into new research areas by way of stimulus project grants and knowledge transfer initiatives. The IRC manages and monitors all awards funded under these schemes on a bi-annual basis.

[More information](#)

### 3.3.11 UK: WHRI ACADEMY fellowship program: Call for Evaluators

WHRI-ACADEMY is a 5-years fellowship programme co-funded by the programme PEOPLE of the Seventh Framework Programme of the European Union for research and development activities.

For further details, please contact [admin@whri-academy.eu](mailto:admin@whri-academy.eu)

### 3.3.12 UK: EURAXESS Jobs portal: Individual Fellowship Opportunities

[More information](#)

EURAXESS National [Fellowships&Grants](#)

## 4 Jobs

### 4.1 EURAXESS Portal

There are currently over 7,000 research jobs and fellowship programmes (all over Europe but also in other countries such as in USA/Canada and in all disciplines) accessible via the [EURAXESS Jobs](#) database.

Check out the latest jobs offered on the portal or search positions by keyword, research profile, country or field.

[Online Jobs and Fellowships](#) on the EURAXESS Links North America website. Research organisations (public and private) can upload their job vacancies located in Canada and the US. It is free of charge.



## 4.2 Other Research Career Sites

### 4.2.1 Canada

Career opportunities in Canada: [National Research Council Canada](#) and [careers](#)

### 4.2.2 Europe

Find A Postdoc: <http://www.findapostdoc.com/>

Find Scholarships in Europe: <http://www.scholarshipportal.eu/>

Find PhDs in Europe: <http://www.phdportal.eu/>

Career.edu: <http://www.career.edu/index.php>

Academic Jobs EU: <http://www.academicjobseu.com>

Euro Science Jobs: <http://www.eurosciencejobs.com/>

The European Job Mobility Portal: <http://ec.europa.eu/eures/home.jsp?lang=en>

Careers with the European Union: [European Personnel Selection Office](#) (EPSO)

Careers with the European Union (EPSO), [Non-permanent Posts](#)

EuroBrussels: <http://www.eurobrussels.com/>

### 4.2.3 USA

AAAS support: [Science careers from the Science journal](#)

The Chronicle of Higher Education Careers Service: <http://chronicle.com/jobs/>

NSF guidance of funding opportunities for [Graduate students](#)

NSF guidance of funding opportunities for [Postdoctoral fellows](#)

Funding opportunities at [researchusa.com](http://researchusa.com)



## 5 Events

### 5.1 Europe: Forthcoming events

Event	When	Where	Organized by	Link to the event
In and Out of Active Brains: GO and Bring Your Brain Back	23 May 2014	Milan, Italy	University of Milan	<a href="#">Link</a>
5th INCO Conference	2-4 June 2014	Athens, Greece	DG Research of the European Commission and the Greek General Secretariat for Research and Technology	<a href="#">Link</a>
Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions satellite event at ESOF 2014 Conference	19-20 Jun 2014	Copenhagen Business School, Copenhagen, Denmark	European Commission	<a href="#">Link</a>
EuroScience Forum 2014 (ESOF)	21-26 June 2014	Copenhagen, Denmark	Euroscience	<a href="#">Link</a>

### 5.2 North America: Forthcoming events

Event	When	Where	Organized by	Link to the event
Information sessions on EU Funding Opportunities	28 April – 1 May 2014	Saskatoon, SK; Victoria, BC; Vancouver, BC; Calgary, AB, CAN	ERA-Can+	<a href="#">Link</a>
Workshop on EU Programs	7 May 2014	Houston, TX, USA	EU Delegation to the USA&Consulate General of France in Houston	<a href="#">Link</a>
ACFAS Congress 2014	12-16 May 2014	Concordia University, Montréal, QC, CAN	ACFAS	<a href="#">Link</a>
Naturejobs Career Expo	20 May 2014	Boston, MA, USA	Naturejobs	<a href="#">Link</a>
SPARKUP INC: Innovation Roundtable Series	22 May 2014	EACC, New York, NY, USA	European American Chamber of Commerce	<a href="#">Link</a>
European Funding Opportunities for Researchers of All Nationalities	23 May 2014	Concordia University, Montreal, QC, CAN	Concordia University & EURAXESS Links North America	<a href="#">Link</a>
CONGRESS 2014	24-30 May 2014	Brock University, St. Catharines, ON, CAN	Federation of Humanities and Social Sciences	<a href="#">Link</a>



## 6 About EURAXESS Links North America

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