

Dear colleagues,

With this seventh issue of our Newsletter we would like to conclude the year 2016 – the first year of our Network!

We send you our Seasonal greetings, thanks for your interest in and commitment to fostering the academic cooperation with Ukraine and we wish you all the best in the coming year!

With kind regards,

Dr. Oksana Seumenicht

International Relations Manager, Max Delbrück Center for Molecular Medicine, Berlin

Professor Olga Garaschuk

Chair of the Institute of Physiology II, Eberhard Karls University of Tübingen

Шановні колеги!

Цим сьомим випуском нашого Вісника ми завершуємо 2016 рік - перший рік існування нашої мережі!

Вітаємо Вас з прийдешніми святами, дякуємо за Вашу підтримку академічної співпраці з Україною і від щирого серця бажаємо всього найкращого у наступному році!

З найкращими побажаннями,

Sehr geehrte Kollegen,

Mit diesem 7. Informationsblatt möchten wir das Jahr 2016 – das erste Jahr unseres Netzwerkes abschließen.

Wir wünschen euch besinnliche Feiertage, bedanken uns ganz herzlich für euer Interesse und Engagement beim Ausbau der akademischen Zusammenarbeit mit der Ukraine und wünschen ein guten Rutsch ins neue Jahr!

Mit freundlichen Grüßen,

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Our Web-site is live: www.ukrainet.eu

Forthcoming first meet-up/*Schtammtisch* in Düsseldorf

When: 19:00, 17 January 2017

Where: Brauerei Zur Uel (Ratinger Straße 16, 40213 Düsseldorf-Altstadt)

At the meeting, you shall have an opportunity to get to know each other in an informal atmosphere, share research ideas and even perhaps find collaborators for future projects. This will also be a good opportunity to discuss the establishment of the UKRAINE Network regional group in NRW. To register (or to be informed on the future local events and initiatives, if you cannot attend) please fill in [this contact form](#). Don't hesitate to spread the word about this event to those, who may be interested!

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Lecture series "Science from the first hands" of the regional group Berlin-Brandenburg: Lecture on Vasyl Sukhomlynsky by Dr O.V. Proskura

The lecture "Vasyl Sukhomlynskyj in dialogue with modernity" was given by Dr Olena Proskura, one of the followers of the most known Ukrainian Teachers on 12 December at the Ukrainian embassy in Berlin. Dr Proskura is a renowned expert in the field of child psychology and pre-school education and a founder of numerous methodical guides (e.g. her programme "Child/ *Дитина*" has been adopted by a vast majority of pre-schools in Ukraine since early 90th of the last century). The lecture was devoted to the life and intellectual heritage of the true Teacher, whose most famous book "I give my heart to the children/ *Серце віддаю дітям*" was published in 30 languages all over the world as 54 editions. Interestingly, this work first appeared in print in Berlin in 1968, before the permission was granted to publish it in Kyiv. In Marburg, Germany, a Society of followers of Sukhomlynsky was founded back in 1990. Since 1994 there are regular readings devoted to V. Sukhomlynsky, organised by the head of the Pedagogic Society of Ukraine, Olga Sukhomlynska and the head of All-Ukrainian Association named after Sukhomlynsky, Oleksandra Savchenko.

<http://naps.gov.ua/ua/press/releases/1014/>

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First meet-up in Dresden

On 13 December a group of 12 scientists from six different Dresden scientific institutions, as well as guests from Berlin and Hanover, got together for an informal round-discussion dinner. Dresden hosts, according to some estimates, one of the largest Ukrainian research diaspora communities in Germany, especially researchers with background in physics, chemistry, material sciences and life sciences. In an informal pre-Christmas atmosphere this meeting offered a nice opportunity to get to know, exchange the experiences and views on cooperating with research partners in Ukraine, and to explore some ideas for possible future coordinated efforts. It was unanimously decided that such meetings should happen regularly and the next one is tentatively planned for February 2017. The meeting was organised by Dr Vyacheslav Khavrus (TU Dresden) and Dr Denys Makarov (HZDR), active members of the UKRAINE Network.

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AWARDS AND OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

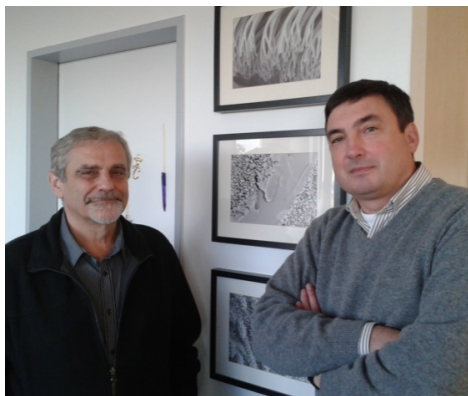
Ukrainian tech start-up Polyteda Cloud won a EUR 1.2 million funding from Horizon 2020

The EU is investing into the 2-year project "Innovative Cloud-Based PV Workflow for Semiconductor Foundries" to enable Polymeda Cloud enter the European market. Its software for circuit verification checks the designs of microchips for mistakes before they go for manufacture at semiconductor factories. Polyteda Cloud is a spinoff project of Polyteda Ukraine, a company that is itself part of the high-tech holding KM Core. Majority of its staff are graduates of the renowned National Technical University of Ukraine.

The Horizon 2020 programme aims to secure Europe's global competitiveness by funding innovations, in particular by supporting SMEs. The budget for a single company ranges from 500,000 euros to 2.5 million euros; or up to 5 million euros for health-related projects. The EU will also provide the company with business coaching.

<http://horizon2020projects.com/policy-research/eu-invests-ukrainian-automation-start/>
<http://www.bosco-conference.com/en/news/item/eu-invests-12-million-euros-into-ukraines-e-design-automation-startup>

Alexander Filippov has been awarded the Georg Forster Research Award by the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation



*Alexander Filippov and Stanislav Gorb.
Photo: private*

Professor Filippov is well known internationally for his outstanding research in the fields of theoretical and applied physics. He has made important contributions to these fields ranging from the atomic scale friction and planetary systems dynamics to the questions of biological evolution and ecology, by combining a large variety of mathematical methods with intuitive physical insight. During his stay in Germany, he intends to develop simulations of adhesion and friction behavior of various biological systems: from chameleons, clingfish to the snake skin. His models will be enhanced due to implementations of real physical parameters, obtained from experimental studies on biological systems.

Professor Filippov is hosted by Professor Stanislav Gorb at the Kiel University and by Professor Popov at the Technical University Berlin.

https://www.humboldt-foundation.de/pls/web/pub_auswahlergebnisse.main

Note: The next call for this award is open till 15 January (check the funding section below)

First two historians start their research stay in Munich, supported by the German-Ukrainian History Commission

The Graduate School for East and South Eastern European Studies in Munich is currently supporting the research stay of the Ukrainian historians Dr. Iryna Skubij (Kharkiv) and Dr. Tetjana Ševčenko (Kyiv). Both are among the first Ukrainian scholarship holders of the German-Ukrainian Historical Commission (DUHK). The next call for fellowships is expected shortly.

(in German): <http://www.gs-oses.de/reader/items/graduierenschule-unterstuetzt-duhk-forschungsaufenthalt.html>



Meet Fulbright Scholars 2016-2017 in Ukraine

11 researchers and four students from different fields of research and various U.S. universities, including Yale School of Medicine and Yara Arts Group in New York, will come for a research stay at a broad range of Ukrainian universities and research associations. Their research projects range from investigating the heritage of Les Kurbas, a famous Ukrainian theatre director, to studying the curriculum at medical schools in Ukraine and comparing them to leading medical schools in Europe and in the U.S., from teaching a course in financial mathematics to assessing traumatic stress and resilience in Ukraine, among others. In addition seven Fulbright English teaching assistants will commence their work to support and improve teaching of English at Ukrainian universities. Furthermore two Fulbright-Clinton Scholars will contribute to important political topics: Combatting Propaganda and Connecting with Citizens through Social Media in Ukraine at the Ministry of Education and Science and Coordination Centre for Legal Aid at the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine.

www.fulbright.org.ua/uploaded/Image/art-gallery/Library/Newsletter_Autumn-2016.pdf

IMPORTANT POLICY REPORTS & INITIATIVES: EU & BEYOND

EU Report: Ukraine carrying out unprecedented reforms

“Ukraine is carrying out intense and unprecedented reforms across its economy and political system, while its democratic institutions have been further revitalised.” This is stated in a joint report released by the European External Action Service and the European Commission, ahead of the 3rd EU-Ukraine Association Council on 19 December 2016, which examines the state of play of Ukraine's implementation of the Association Agenda since 1 January 2015.

http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_IP-16-4344_en.htm

EU and Eastern Partnership countries start the EU4Innovation initiative

The new EU initiative, EU4Innovation, will combine all EU activities that support the development of Eastern Partnership countries (EaP) innovation capacities, notably those funded under the Horizon 2020 programme and the European Neighbourhood Instrument.

http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_IP-16-3716_en.htm

Policy Recommendations on Performance-Based Research Funding

These recommendations are intended to inspire policy-makers and science managers in stepping up the effectiveness and efficiency of the research and innovation system by considering the introduction of performance-based funding mechanisms. This is a result of the Danube-INCO.NET policy dialogue launched in July 2014.

https://danube-inco.net/object/news/18187/attach/Danube_INCO_NET_Policy_Recommendations_PBF_final.pdf
<https://danube-inco.net/object/document/18208>

Science and Innovation Policy Evaluation Repository (SIPER)

This is a unique central source of data and knowledge on research and innovation policy evaluations. Here you will find a comprehensive collection of evaluations on science and innovation policy instruments. Users can search for evaluations that show a certain combination of characteristics and/or deal with a certain kind of policy instrument or measure.

<http://si-per.eu/>



COOPERATION HIGHLIGHTS

Strengthening the Cooperation between the University of Applied Sciences and Arts of Southern Switzerland and Kyiv National University of Technologies and Design, Ukraine

By Dr. Anatolii Kozlenko, Director of the Energy Efficiency Management Center of Kyiv National University of Technology and Design



Dr. Arch. Massimo Mobiglia (SUPSI), left, and Prof. Dr. Viktor Kaplun, the Vice-Rector for Research and Innovation (KNUTD), right, at the signing ceremony. Photo: courtesy of Anatolii Kozlenko, KNUTD.

On 3 November 2016 at the Kyiv National University of Technology and Design (KNUTD) results of the REPIC¹ Project "Enhance energy efficiency of the housing stock in Ukraine (EEEU) through energy performance certificates" were presented and discussed at a round-table. This project was implemented as collaboration between the KNUTD and the University of Applied Sciences and Arts of Southern Switzerland (SUPSI). The culmination of this event was the ceremonial signing of the Memorandum of Cooperation between the SUPSI and the KNUTD.

This Memorandum specifies further development of the educational, scientific and technical cooperation programme on issues related to the sustainability of the built environment for increasing energy efficiency (EE) and promoting new energy consuming culture in the society; enhancing the expertise and skills in the public sector through the exchange of information, best practice and joint scientific research, training programmes, dissemination of knowledge about modern trends and new methodologies, and technical assistance to projects in the field of energy efficiency. Furthermore, under the signed memorandum both universities agreed to:

- Establish a joint training course for energy managers;
- Advance their mutual collaboration in providing the energy certification of buildings of the KNUTD;
- Develop the thermal modernisation project for one of the KNUTD's university buildings using Swiss technologies;
- Organise the exchange of students and scientists;
- Jointly participate in the development of the Ukrainian National Programme "Energy Efficient University".

<http://en.knutd.com.ua/events-and-publications/news/9773/>

¹ REPIC (Renewable Energy & Energy Efficiency Promotion in International Cooperation) is designed to be a market oriented service centre for the promotion of renewable energy and energy efficiency in international cooperation. This platform aims to make new concrete renewable energy and/or energy efficiency projects possible, with increasing participation of Swiss companies and organisations.



The Agreement on Cooperation between the Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv, Ukraine and Heilbronn University, Germany is Signed

Report by Prof. Dr. Anna Hayduk, International Business-Eastern Europe, International Affairs Principal, Faculty of International Business, Heilbronn University, Germany; Founding member of the German-Ukrainian Academic Society



Vice-Rector for Scientific and Pedagogical Work (International Relations) Prof. Petro O. Bekh (SNUK) and Prof. Dr. Anna Hayduk (HU) at the ceremony. Photo: courtesy of the Taras Shevchenko National university of Kyiv.

In November this year the **Agreement on cooperation** between the **Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv (SNUK)** and **Heilbronn University (HU)**, Germany, was signed in Kyiv. The event takes its roots from the forum "German-Ukrainian dialogue: Prospects for Education and Research" held in Berlin in July this year, which was organized by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research of Germany. This Agreement envisages cooperation in areas of student and faculty exchange, as well as joint research projects. For HU, its Faculty of International Business in particular, this agreement is very important. One of the five undergraduate programmes of the Faculty, namely "International Business-Eastern Europe", is aimed at training managers with a wide range

of competencies in economics, business, intercultural communication and foreign languages, who are able to work in international business environment in general, and with a focus on Eastern European markets in particular. The Programme's regional specialisation offers an excellent basis for capacity building in Eastern European countries, particularly in Ukraine. Thanks to this cooperation, students from Germany will now have an opportunity to spend an exchange semester at one of the most well-known Ukrainian universities - SNUK, namely at its Institute of International Relations. The broad range of its B.Sc. and M.Sc. Programmes offered both in Ukrainian and English ensures excellent opportunities for such exchange. Already in the winter semester 2016/2017 four German students will spend their exchange semester in Kyiv. The first Ukrainian exchange-students will be admitted by HU in spring 2017. Moreover, new ideas and concrete steps for collaboration in the area of Sustainable Tourism Development were also discussed, with the aim of involving further partners from the SNUK's Faculty of Geography and HU study programmes in "Tourism Management" (B.Sc.) and "International Tourism Management" (M.Sc.). The Faculty of International Business (HU) is now developing an application for the inclusion of SNUK in the ERASMUS⁺ programme, which, if successful, will further contribute to expanding this cooperation.

With this agreement the Faculty of International Business (HU) adds an important partner to its expanding portfolio of partner universities (currently 84) in the USA, Canada, France, Finland, Poland, and this cooperation with the Ukrainian university will open new horizons for strengthening the German-Ukrainian dialogue in science and education.

University of Applied Sciences Lübeck & National Chernivtsi University cooperate on 'Historical City'

By Helmut Offermann, FH Lübeck, Germany



Photos: courtesy of Helmut Offermann, FH Lübeck

Summary: University of Applied Sciences Lübeck has cooperated with the National Chernivtsi University on the project "Practice-oriented Partnership Historical City". Within the framework of this partnership 7 study visits from Chernivtsi to Lübeck took place, as well as visits to Chernivtsi. A number of joint workshops, reciprocal student exchanges were successfully carried out. In December 2016 high-ranking representatives from 6 Ukrainian universities for building & architecture and representatives from Lithuanian, Polish and Romanian higher education institutions came to Lübeck for a Networking meeting to discuss possible future joint projects. This project was supported by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) from the funds of the Federal Ministry for Cooperation (BMZ), from 2013 till the end of 2016./ Das 7. und letzte Bautreffen fand im Oktober 2016 statt. 22 Angehörige der Nationalen Universität Chernivtsi nahmen an der Studienreise nach Berlin und Lübeck teil. Zum Programm gehörte ein Master-Entwurfsworkshop zum Thema „Stadtwärts – Wege zur Stadt“, welcher in Kooperation mit dem Projekt-Wirtschaftspartner ArchitekturForum Lübeck e.V. von der FH Lübeck organisiert wurde. Im Workshop arbeiteten ukrainische und deutsche Studierende in Teams zusammen. Die Ergebnisse wurden öffentlich präsentiert. Zwei ukrainische Gaststudentinnen verbringen das Wintersemester 2016/17 in Lübeck: **Yulia Balakhtar** und **Inna Kravchenko**. Parallel zum Studium im Fachbereich Bauwesen der FHL absolvieren sie Praktika in den Lübecker Büros GPK Architekten und Haufe Petereit Architekten. Die Betreuung außerhalb der FH Lübeck übernimmt traditionell das ArchitekturForum Lübeck e.V. Zum ersten Mal fuhr für ein Praktikum ein Lübecker Architektur-Student **Falk Zepmeisel** (giz-Projekt „Integrierte Stadtentwicklung“) und **Stanislav Bass** als Bauingenieur-Studierender (in einer örtlichen Baufirma) nach Chernivtsi. Zwei Dozenten der Fakultät Architektur, Bauingenieurwesen und angewandte Kunst der Nationalen Universität Chernivtsi kamen für mehrere Monate in den Fachbereich Bauwesen. Ziel ist die persönliche Weiterbildung und eine bessere gemeinsame Kommunikation zwischen beiden Hochschulen. Außerdem, Anfang Dezember trafen sich rund 20 VertreterInnen von sechs ukrainischen Bau-Hochschulen und je einer litauischen, polnischen sowie einer rumänischen Hochschule bei einem Network Meeting in der Fachhochschule Lübeck. Die hochrangigen Hochschulvertreter sprachen über mögliche gemeinsame Projekte. Zu Semesterbeginn gab es erneut eine Projekt-Fotoausstellung im BAUFORUM des FB Bau der FH in Lübeck, um die Bilder der letzten Ukraine-Exkursion zu präsentieren. Das Projekt wird gefördert vom DAAD aus Mitteln des Bundesministeriums für wirtschaftliche Zusammenarbeit und Entwicklung.

www.ukraine-bauen.de/home/



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NEWS FROM UKRAINE

The Ministry of Education and Science decided to establish the Coordination Centre for the Framework Programme "Horizon 2020"

This Coordinating Centre will provide support in resolving issues that arise during projects' implementation, facilitate the representation and communication of interests of Ukrainian participants and provide a platform for the development of a consolidated position and for coordinating activities of the authorities in implementing the programme in Ukraine. Moreover, a dedicated Commission will be established, which will be tasked with the selection of representatives and experts to the programme committees, responsible for the identification of priority research topics put forward for funding within "Horizon 2020" calls.

(in Ukrainian): <http://mon.gov.ua/usi-novivni/novini/2016/11/30/prijnyato-rishennya-pro-utvorennya-koordinacijnogo-czentru-z-pitan-vikonann/>

Ukraine Joined the European System of Accreditation of Engineering Education

(in Ukrainian): <http://vnz.org.ua/novyny/podiyi/9745-ukrayina-pryednalasja-do-nezalezhnoyi-evropejskoyi-sistemy-akredytatsiyi-inzhenernoyi-osvity>

ENAE (European Network for Accreditation of Engineering Education): <http://www.enaee.eu/>

Civil Society Monitors the Implementation of the Association Agreement with the EU

Ukrainian part of the civil society platform EU-Ukraine (CSP) held a meeting of invited experts and the representatives of the Ministry of Education and Science to discuss the progress in implementing the Association Agreement with the EU in areas of science and education. Following the meeting the Working Group CSP will prepare recommendations to the Ministry of Education and the Government of Ukraine.

<http://eu-ua-csp.org.ua/news/13-obgovorennya-implementaciyi-ugodi-pro-asociaciyu-z-ministerstvom-osviti-ta-nauki-ukrayini/>

REPORT: Statistics & Analyses of Ukrainian Participation in HORIZON 2020

This latest analytical report has been prepared in the framework of the RI-LINKS2UA project by the Institute of Fundamental Technological Research of the Polish Academy of Sciences, in cooperation the Centre for Social Innovation (ZSI, Austria), and the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine. Some conclusions: *"Signed Association gives Ukraine a unique chance to increase significantly their participation in the H2020. This is evidenced by the results of participation in the first 274 calls where 383 Ukrainian organizations participated in preparation of 604 project proposals (808 participations), expecting EC contribution of 236.95 M€. 67 organizations are in 61 proposals on MAIN LIST (80 participations), with EC contribution of 11.95 M€. In particular Ukraine submitted 75 proposals for project co-ordinations of which 4 were classified for funding (MAIN LIST) with EC contribution of 1.78 M€. **These results classify Ukraine on the third place among Associated Countries just after Israel and Norway in both: number of participations and gained EC contribution**".*

<https://ri-links2ua.eu/object/news/233>

"Kyiv Academic University" has been founded

This is an innovative pilot project aimed at establishing a modern competitive research-intensive university: (in Ukrainian): <http://www.kmu.gov.ua/control/uk/cardnpd?docid=249596594>



Days of Sciences in Ukraine



Photo: Courtesy of Kyrylo Pyrshev

On 12-13 November the already traditional “**Days of Sciences**” took place in seven Ukrainian cities: Ivano-Frankivsk, Kaniv, Kharkiv, Kyiv, Lviv, Odesa and Zhytomyr. This science popularisation project was launched in 2013 by young scientists of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine. This year over 80 scientists and teams of researchers took an active role in presenting their research to an estimated 12000 attendees from the interested public.

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The organisers managed to secure sponsorship from a few private companies and organisations, and raised additional funds through a crowd-funding campaign.

<http://dni-nauky.in.ua>

First all-Ukrainian Forum “Professional Sphere German – German language in school and higher education in Ukraine today”

On 25-26 November 2016 the first nationwide forum of German teachers and lecturers in schools and universities entitled „Professional Sphere German – German language in school and higher education in Ukraine today/ *BERUFSFELDER DEUTSCH – Deutsch in Schule und Hochschule in der Ukraine heute*” took place at the National Technical University of Ukraine “Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute”. The key aim of the forum was to induce a qualitative change in the organisation of teaching foreign languages in Ukraine and contribute to improving the quality of the educational process as a whole, thereby improving skills of future workforce. This forum was organised by the NTI “KPI”, Goethe Institute Ukraine, DAAD, German Federal Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ukrainian Union of Germanic Higher Education and the Association of Ukrainian Germanists and was attended by more than 450 participants.

(in German):

https://www.goethe.de/ins/ua/de/spr/unt/vdl.cfm?fuseaction=events.detail&event_id=20839753

(in Ukrainian): www.udgv.org/novyny/545-pershyi-zahalnoukrainskyi-forum-vchyteliv-nimetskoi-movy

Der Ukrainische Deutschlehrer- und Germanistenverband (UDGV): <http://www.udgv.org/de/>

Google-profile will evidence the academic achievements

An interesting article on a wide adoption of google-scholar profiles by Ukrainian researchers.

(in Ukrainian) <http://ukurier.gov.ua/uk/articles/google-deklaraciya-ocinit-robotu-naukovcya/>

The Alumni Fund Ukraine has been launched

It aims to contribute to the development of Ukrainian education. One can offer support by offering a student’s stipend or a teacher’s award, financing a school project or launching a new student competition, or just by supporting financially one of the educational projects.

<http://alumnifund.org/en>



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A SELECTION OF RELEVANT FUNDING & SUPPORT OPPORTUNITIES

For the up-to-date announcements visit our LinkedIn group: <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/8473594>

Institutional/ Project Funding

Germany: DAAD Integrated International Double-Degree Programmes/ *Integrierte internationale Studiengänge mit Doppelabschluss*, apply by 20 January 2017

<https://www.daad.de/hochschulen/ausschreibungen/projekte/de/11342-foerderprogramme-finden/?s=1&projektid=57349836>

Shevchenko Scientific Society in the United States of America: Grants Program, 2016-2017

The Shevchenko Scientific Society in the U.S. will award grants in 2017 for research on a wide range of topics and issues related to **Ukrainian Studies (deadline: 1 February 2017)**. Individual grants are limited to a maximum amount of \$5000, or \$7,500 if there are 2 or more scholars supported by the grant. There are also **Conference Travel Grants, Dissertation Research Grants, Conference/Project Planning Grants** focussed on issues related to Ukraine and Ukrainian Studies (**next deadline: 1 May 2017**).

www.fulbright.org.ua/uk/news/362/shevchenko-scientific-society-in-the-united-states-of-america-grants-program-2016-2017.html
www.shevchenko.org

Germany: DAAD East Partnership Programme/ *Ostpartnerschaftsprogramm: Partnerschaften mit Hochschulen in Ostmittel-, Südost- und Osteuropa sowie dem Kaukasus und Zentralasien*, apply by 3 April 2017

<https://www.daad.de/hochschulen/ausschreibungen/projekte/de/11342-foerderprogramme-finden/?s=1&projektid=57346330>

A list of currently opened EU calls maintained by the project 'Strengthening Research and Innovation Links towards Ukraine (RI-LINKS2UA):

<https://ri-links2ua.eu/object/call/list>

Funding for Individuals/ Fellowships

To Ukraine: US Fulbright Specialist Program, application: 3-4 months before the intended starting date

Support Ukrainian universities or research institutes wishing to invite a researcher from the USA for 2-6 weeks to give lectures/ organize a course etc. in selected research fields.

www.fulbright.org.ua/uk/pages/40/us-specialist.html

EMBO Long-Term Fellowships: New – no deadline!

European Molecular Biology Organisation's Long-Term Fellowships are awarded for a period of up to 2 years and support post-doctoral research visits to laboratories throughout Europe and the world. For applicants with less than 2 years after a PhD and at least 1 accepted first-author publication in a peer-reviewed journal.

<http://www.embo.org/funding-awards/fellowships/long-term-fellowships - about>



Germany: Alexander von Humboldt Foundation (Germany) Georg Forster Research Fellowship for researchers from developing countries, no deadline

Support for individual researchers for research stays in Germany (6 - 24 months, could be split into 3 periods for senior researchers), for proposals relevant for the continued development of the country or region of origin.

<https://www.humboldt-foundation.de/web/georg-forster-fellowship.html>

Sweden: Visby Programme Scholarships for PhD and Postdoctoral Research Studies, apply by 10 January 2017

The Visby Scholarship provides PhD students and postdoctoral researchers with an opportunity to conduct research at Swedish universities within all fields of study. There are about 40 Visby scholarships offered for the academic year 2017-2018. The aim of the Visby Programme is to support individual mobility, thereby contributing to increased contacts and collaborations between actors in Sweden and Belarus, Estonia, Georgia, Latvia, Lithuania, Moldova, Poland, Russia and Ukraine.

<https://eng.si.se/areas-of-operation/scholarships-and-grants/visby-programme/visby-programme-scholarships-for-phd-studies-and-postdoctoral-research/>

Austria: Young Scientists Summer Program, apply by 11 January 2017

IIASA's annual 3-month Young Scientists Summer Program (YSSP) offers research opportunities to talented young researchers (e.g. current PhD students) whose interests correspond with IIASA's ongoing research on issues of global environmental, economic and social change:

Advanced Systems Analysis | Air Quality and Greenhouse Gases | Energy | Evolution & Ecology | Ecosystem Services & Management | World Population | Risk & Resilience | Transitions to New Technologies | Water

www.iiasa.ac.at/web/home/education/yssp/about.html

Italy: Bogliasco Fellowships, apply by 15 January (or 15 April)

These residential fellowships are awarded to gifted international artists and scholars working on projects of any subject area in the following disciplines:

Archaeology | Architecture | Classics | Dance | Film/Video | History | Landscape
Architecture | Literature | Music | Philosophy | Theatre | Visual Arts

<http://bfny.org/en/about/program-overview>

Germany: Alexander von Humboldt Foundation Georg Forster Research Award, nominations by 15 January 2017

The Georg Forster Research Award is granted in recognition of a researcher's entire achievements to date to academics of all disciplines whose fundamental discoveries, new theories, or insights have had a significant impact on their own discipline and beyond and who are expected to continue developing research-based solutions to the specific challenges facing transition and developing countries. To support the collaboration, the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation may grant additional funding of up to €25,000. An established academic employed by a university or research institution in Germany must take the initiative to nominate a candidate for the Georg Forster Research Award.

<https://www.humboldt-foundation.de/web/georg-forster-award.html>



USA: Harvard Ukrainian Research Institute Research Fellowships in Ukrainian Studies for 2017-2018: apply by 16 January 2017

HURI's Research Fellowships bring scholars from the international academic community to Harvard for focused research on projects in Ukrainian history, literature, philology, culture, and other related areas of study in the humanities and social sciences fields. In addition to carrying out their own research in residence, fellows participate in the scholarly life of the University during Harvard's academic year, and offer a formal presentation based on original research.

- The Eugene and Daymel Shklar Research Fellowships in Ukrainian Studies
- The Ukrainian Studies Fund Research Fellowships in Ukrainian Studies
- The Jaroslaw and Nadia Mihaychuk Postdoctoral Research Fellowships in Ukrainian Studies

www.huri.harvard.edu/fellowships-grants-internships/fellows-ukrstudies.html

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Canada: Perimeter Scholars International, theoretical physics, apply by 1 February

<http://perimeterinstitute.ca/training/perimeter-scholars-international/apply>

Canada, University of Ottawa: Kule Doctoral Scholarships on Ukraine, Chair of Ukrainian Studies, apply by 1 February 2017

<http://socialsciences.uottawa.ca/ukraine/kule-doctoral-scholarships-ukraine>

Canada, University of Toronto: Petro Jacyk Post-Doctoral Fellowship in Ukrainian Politics, Culture, and Society 2017-2018, apply by 1 February 2017

<http://sites.utoronto.ca/jacyk/postdoctoral%20fellowship/call%20for%20applications.htm>

Germany: DAAD Leonhard Euler Programme, apply by 28 February 2017

German universities can apply for support for students, PhD students and staff from a number of countries, including Ukraine, for research stays (incl. to do a thesis).

<https://www.daad.de/hochschulen/ausschreibungen/projekte/de/11342-foerderprogramme-finden/?s=1&aktionsfeld%5b%5d=2&projektid=57347763>

JOBS OF INTEREST

Job Opportunities for Research Fellow temporary positions at the European Commission's science and knowledge service, the Joint Research Centre. Operating in Belgium, Germany, Italy, Spain and the Netherlands, with 2000 researchers, the JRC is currently seeking research fellows with sound scientific research experience and a desire to work at the interface of science, knowledge and policy, in a broad range of fields (check the web-site for details):

<https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/working-with-us/jobs/vacancies/function-group-iv-researchers>

COMPETITION OF INTEREST

Art of Neuroscience 2017: Deadline 15 May 2017. This is an international competition open to scientists and artists worldwide. We are looking for striking visualizations related to the field of Neuroscience in its broadest sense. These can be images or videos representing actual neural data or tissue, but also more abstract illustrations that are in some way related to neuroscience.

<http://aon.herseninstituut.knaw.nl/>



A SELECTION OF FORTHCOMING EVENTS

12/01/2017

Wilfried Jilge (DGAP Berlin)

»Novorossija (New Russia)«: Historical Genesis and Political Relevance of an Imperial Identity Claim

26/01/2017

Europa-Universität Viadrina, Frankfurt (Oder)

Yulia Buyskykh (National Research Institute for Ukrainian Studies, Kyiv)

Local Communities on the Polish-Ukrainian Borderland: Contested Memories and Strategies of Coexistence

Berlin-Brandenburg Ukraine Initiative

Lecture Series 2016/17: »Revolutions and their Impact on Modern Eastern and Central Europe«

In total 8 lectures are held from November 2016 to May 2017:

www.forum-transregionale-studien.de/en/forum/programs-and-initiatives/berlin-brandenburg-ukraine-initiative/events.html

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27/02 – 03/03/2017

Villach, Austria

Application: ongoing

The Infineon Winter School Villach 2017

M.Sc. and Ph.D. students in physics, electrical engineering, mechatronics & IT can gain exclusive insights into the world of power electronics:

<http://www.edu-active.com/camps/2016/dec/18/winter-school-villach-2017-austria.html>

21/03/2017

Kyiv, Ukraine

Call for papers is open till 10/03/2017

Annual International Scientific Conference “**Strategies of intercultural communications in teaching languages at modern university**”, organized by Kyiv National Economic University named after Vadym Hetman and the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine. Forms of participation: On-line and off-line forms (presentations, Skype presentations, scientific articles). Conference languages: Ukrainian, English, German, French, Polish. Application forms and abstracts to be e-mailed to: ukrmova_lit@ukr.net.

23-24/03/2017

Kropyvnytsky, Ukraine

Call for papers is open till 27/01/2017

International conference “**Languages and the World: Research and Teaching**”, with Ukrainian, Russian, English, and German as working languages.

<http://www.udgv.org/novyny/552-khi-mizhnarodna-naukovo-praktychna-konferentsiia-movy-i-svit-doslidzhennia-ta-vykladannia>



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- FOSTER academic cooperation with Ukraine
- IMPROVE knowledge about Ukraine abroad and vice versa
- INCREASE visibility of Ukrainian scientists and their achievements
- SUPPORT career development of the Network members & early-career researchers in Ukraine
- SUPPORT reforms in Ukrainian science

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THEMATIC GROUPS

FUNDING

This working group aims to monitor and share the information on relevant funding opportunities, offer the expertise on grant writing and review process, organise thematic workshops, as well as support applications for funding to support the Network and individual projects.

Contact: Oksana Seumenicht and Nataliya Butych

If you are keen to start a group in your city/region or devoted to a specific topic or to initiate some Network activities – do get in touch!

