

Dear colleagues,

With this eighth issue of our Newsletter we are pleased to inform you about the formal registration of the **German-Ukrainian Academic Society** as a **non-for-profit NGO** in Berlin, announce the **2017 PhD Thesis Presentation Contest** and, as always, provide you with a digest of the latest news and selected funding opportunities related to academic cooperation with Ukraine.

With kind regards,

Шановні колеги!

У восьмому випуску нашого Вісника повідомляємо Вас про **офіційну реєстрацію** в Берліні нашого **Німецько-Українсько академічного товариства** в статусі благодійної організації, оголошуємо конкурс аспірантів 2017 **на кращу презентацію своєї дисертації**, і як завжди хочемо привернути Вашу увагу до деяких цікавих новин та актуальних грантових пропозицій.

З найкращими побажаннями,

Sehr geehrte Kollegen,

Mit dem 8. Informationsblatt sind wir froh Ihnen mitzuteilen, dass unsere **Deutsch-Ukrainische akademische Gesellschaft** kürzlich als eingetragene Verein registriert wurde, einen Aufruf für den **PhD-Vortrags Wettbewerb 2017** zu veröffentlichen, und, wie immer, Ihnen einige interessante Informationen sowie Hinweise zu aktuellen Fördermöglichkeiten zukommen zu lassen.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen,

Dr. Oksana Seumenicht

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

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COMMUNITY CORNER

The German-Ukrainian Academic Society has been registered as an NGO in Berlin

We are pleased to inform you that the German-Ukrainian Academic Society (**Die Deutsch-Ukrainische Akademische Gesellschaft e.V.**) has now been formally registered in Berlin as a not-for-profit NGO (*gemeinnütziger eingetragener Verein*). We cordially invite you to join in! The membership fee regulations and the membership application form will be published on our website shortly.

<http://www.ukrainet.eu>

The 2017 PhD Thesis Presentation Contest: Call for applications is opened till 20 May

Application link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NJSQSM5>

The Final will be carried out on **6 October 2017** in **Augsburg**, Germany, where up to 5 finalists will be invited to present their PhD Thesis to the society members and interested academic and lay audience. This PhD Thesis Presentation Contest aims to promote young scientists from any research field, who can be identified as

- Ukrainian PhD students studying in Germany (incl. exchange PhD students);
- PhD students, regardless of nationality, who are involved in a collaborative German-Ukrainian (or multi-lateral including Ukraine) research project;
- PhD students, regardless of nationality, whose topic of research relates to Ukraine.

With this Contest we aim to contribute to increasing the visibility of Ukrainian PhD students in Germany and raising the profile of the German-Ukrainian academic collaboration. This is the opportunity for PhD students to advance their presentation skills, learn to present complex scientific questions to a broader interested non-specialist audience and network with other researchers from different research fields. Successful candidates will be invited and supported to present their research at the Final event on stage, and get a chance to win one of three book prizes as well as add an extra 'brownie point' to their CVs. This Contest is organised for the second time and is supported by the Nomad Bioscience GmbH and the Embassy of Ukraine in Germany. For more information: please see a separate competition announcement on the society web-site (www.ukrainet.eu) or get in touch. Head of the Contest Organisation Committee is **Prof. Yarema Okhrin**, Full Professor of Statistics at the Faculty of Business and Economics, University of Augsburg (yarema.okhrin@wiwi.uni-augsburg.de; https://www.wiwi.uni-augsburg.de/bwl/okhrin/team_okhrin/yarema_okhrin/).

First meet-up/Stammtisch in Düsseldorf

On January 17th 2017 in Düsseldorf an enthusiastic group of students, PhD students, researchers and other interested persons gathered together in an informal atmosphere to meet and discuss possible joint activities. They decided to form a NRW Hub, as a regional group of The UKRAINE Network.

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Our interview to the Global Ukrainians News:

<http://global-ukraine-news.org/2017/02/06/nauka-ne-maye-kordoniv-interv-yu-z-spivnitsiatoramy-ukrayinskoyi-akademichnoyi-mizhnarodnoyi-merezhi/>



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AWARDS AND OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Professor Yuri Gogotsi wins the 2016 Nano Energy Award

Professor Yuri Gogotsi, whose over 400 papers in peer-reviewed journals have been cited over 37,000 times, was awarded the **2016 Nano Energy Award** for his outstanding contribution to the innovative approach in solving the major energy problems of the modern society. In the award statement Elsevier distinguished Yuri Gogotsi's "...major contribution to understanding the mechanisms of capacitive energy storage, confinement and desolvation of ions in subnanometer pores of carbon materials and development of new materials for capacitive and pseudocapacitive storage applications".

Prof. Gogotsi graduated the Kiev Polytechnic Institute (now the National Technical University of Ukraine "Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute") and gained his PhD at the same university. He then received a title of Doctor of Sciences from the Institute of Materials Science, National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine. He is currently leading the Nanomaterials Group (NMG) at the Materials Science and Engineering Department, Drexel University, USA. His research focused on the fundamental and applied aspects of synthesis and characterization of carbon nanomaterials (graphene, nanotubes, nanodiamond and nanoporous carbons), 2D carbides and nitrides (MXenes, BN, etc), and composites.

<https://www.journals.elsevier.com/nano-energy/news/congratulations-to-prof-gogotsi-2016-nano-energy-award>

Lab. web-site: <http://nano.materials.drexel.edu/research/>

More about Prof. Gogotsi (in Ukrainian): <http://theukrainians.org/yuri-gogotsi/>

Dr Maryna Viazovska is distinguished with the Salem Prize 2016

In the 3rd issue of this Newsletter we reported about remarkable research done by the mathematician **Dr Maryna Viazovska** (Berlin Mathematical School and Humboldt University in Berlin). Last July Maryna gave an insightful lecture entitled "*What are multiple dimensions, why it is important to tightly pack spheres, and the Kepler's problem from the year 1611*" at the lecture series "**Science first hand**" of the Berlin-Brandenburg regional group of our society. Now we are very excited to report on the award of the **Salem Prize 2016** to Dr Viazovska "*for her breakthrough work on densest sphere packings in dimensions 8 and 24 using methods of modular forms*".



The prize, in memory of Raphael Salem, is awarded yearly by the French Mathematical Society/ *Société Mathématique de France* (SMF) to young researchers for outstanding contributions to the field of analysis.

<http://smf.emath.fr/content/prix-salem-2016>

<https://www.math.hu-berlin.de/~viazovsm/>

Degree of Doctor Philosophiae honoris causa to Professor Juri Grin

Professor Juri Grin, Director at the Max Planck Institute for Chemical Physics of Solids in Dresden, Germany (since 2001) was conferred the degree of Doctor Philosophiae honoris causa by the Presidium of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine. Juri Grin studied chemistry at Lviv University in Ukraine, where he also gained his doctoral degree.

www.cpfs.mpg.de/en/doctor-philosophiae-grin



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NEWS FROM UKRAINE



15 May, Kyiv:

EaP PLUS Workshop «SCIENCE CONNECTS: Strengthening the Interaction between Researchers in Ukraine & Scientific Diaspora»

The aim of this workshop is to facilitate networking between researchers in Ukraine and scientific diaspora, in order to

- Join efforts and establish long-term links;
- Foster knowledge exchange and intensify collaboration;
- Stimulate joint grant applications, in particular within the Horizon 2020;
- Engage scientific diaspora in evaluation process in Ukraine;
- Promote the development of innovations in Ukraine;
- Contribute to solving the challenges faced by the state and the society.

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This Workshop is organized on **15 May in Kyiv** by the National Academy of Sciences (NAS) of Ukraine, in cooperation with the German-Ukrainian Academic Society/The UKRAINE Network and is supported by the Horizon 2020 project “STI International Cooperation Network for EaP (Eastern Partnership) Countries Plus (EaP PLUS)” (<https://www.eap-plus.eu>). It will be held within the framework of the **International Symposium “International and National Scientific Organizations as a Factor for Formation of the Global Scientific Community”**, which is organized by G. M. Dobrov Institute for Scientific and Technological Potential and Science History Studies of the National Academy of Sciences (NAS) of Ukraine (Kyiv, 15–17 May 2017) and supported by the International Association of Academies of Sciences (IAAS) and UNESCO. Working languages of the workshop: English and Ukrainian. Ukrainian scientists and scientists of Ukrainian origin living and working abroad (“scientific diaspora”), representatives of governmental organisations and NGOs, concerned with the development of science and the dissemination and use of research results, are invited to register.

You are also offered an opportunity to join the Database of Ukrainian Scientific Diaspora, which is currently being established within the framework of the EaP PLUS project by the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine, jointly with the NAS of Ukraine. You can do this by filling in the relevant field in the registration form for this workshop. **Please also fill in the form if you cannot attend, but are interested to join the database and be involved in future activities**, e.g.

- Support increased Ukrainian participation in H2020 with respect to joint applications;
- Expand your networking within the local scientific community, organise scientific exchanges and educational programs that build capacity and encourage innovation in both Ukraine and EU countries;
- Become an international peer reviewer for the national research grants in Ukraine (or other EaP country);
- Participate as an expert in evaluation of research institutes/ departments/ universities;
- Encourage other types of targeted cooperation between Ukraine and its scientific diaspora in the EU.

To register for the Workshop and/or the Database: <https://goo.gl/forms/U6fj6Q6YIBJPuxL92>
<https://sites.google.com/view/scienceconnectsua/home>



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Results of the joint German-Ukrainian call 2016 has been announced

12 joint projects, 6 research mobility and 6 structural (for the first time), will be funded by both countries for 2 years: see the full list here:

<http://mon.gov.ua/%D0%9D%D0%BE%D0%B2%D0%B8%D0%BD%D0%B8%202017/02/07/perelik-ukr-nim-proekti-2017-2018.pdf>

<http://mon.gov.ua/usi-novivni/povidomlennya/2017/02/07/%C2%ABpidvedeno-pidsumki-konkursu-ukrayinsko-nimeczkix-naukovo-doslidnix-proektiv/>

Changes to the regulations on awarding scientific degrees have been approved

The Ministry of Education and Science had adopted the changes to the order №13 "About the order of approval of academic ranks for academic and pedagogical employers".

(in Ukrainian): <http://zakon2.rada.gov.ua/laws/show/z0155-17#n13>

Academic entrepreneurship: 4 universities join forces to launch business incubation network

Kyiv National Economic University, National Aviation University, Taras Shevchenko University and Donetsk National Technical University will be jointly supporting entrepreneurship spirit of their students: fledging start-ups at any stage of idea realization and those interested to improve their business skills can apply to YEP incubator by 26 March.

<http://start.yepworld.org/>
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeWVH8EZtaenx7ty71AKMMomxQpHnJ6PabvEAqGlvkF51Cipw/viewform?c=0&w=1>

Crowd-funding campaign: Donate for new tech nation!

BrainBasket Foundation (Kyiv, Ukraine) is aiming to raise 50,000 USD for their innovative model of blended learning aimed at retraining adults in IT free of charge. The first year pilot proved successful and now they aim to launch the Ukraine-wide project - called Technology Nation. BrainBasket Foundation is a non-profit, non-governmental organization that stands for development of IT education. BrainBasket aims to make IT-industry driving force of economic growth in Ukraine by improving the educational infrastructure.

<https://www.indiegogo.com/projects/donate-for-new-tech-nation-education-innovation--2#/updates>
<http://brainbasket.org/en/main/>

KHARKIV: Introducing its IT Cluster

It is the 2nd largest megalopolis in Ukraine and one of its greatest IT hubs. There are more than 300 IT companies here, employing about 25 000 specialists.

<https://youtu.be/vzTpZXvRVHq>

IMPORTANT NEWS, POLICY REPORTS & INITIATIVES: EU & BEYOND

European Science Foundation launches new service platform ScienceConnect

Science Connect will deliver expert resources, tools and metrics to support the effective administration of science projects in both the private and public research sector, e.g.: Peer Review; Programme/Project Management & Administration; Career Tracking; Evaluation; Expert Board & Virtual Institute Hosting.

www.scienceconnect.eu

GERMANY: Federal Ministry for Education and Research its Internationalization Strategy

<https://www.bmbf.de/en/internationalization-strategy-2209.html>



GERMANY: The Ukraine part of the BAYHOST Competence Atlas “Higher education Institutions in Russia and Ukraine” has been launched

The BAYHOST Competence Atlas makes it possible to quickly obtain a comprehensive overview of the scientific and academic institutions in Russia and Ukraine, check rankings and search for individual universities or national funding agencies and foundations. The part of the Atlas devoted to Ukraine has just been completed and launched.

www-app.uni-regensburg.de/Einrichtungen/Bayhost/kompetenzatlas/ukraine/ukraine/

The Leibniz ScienceCampus “Eastern Europe – Global Area” (EEGA) has been officially opened

On 26 of January the Leibniz ScienceCampus “Eastern Europe – Global Area” (EEGA) was officially opened at the Saxon Academy of Sciences in Leipzig, Germany. It is committed to developing new research perspectives on Eastern Europe, engaging in knowledge exchange activities on the region with stakeholders, and promoting young researchers. The main focus areas are:

- migration and motilities;
- business strategies and political economies;
- cultural and intellectual perspectives and identities; and
- political integration in a changing global arena.

The Leibniz ScienceCampus brings together knowledge and expertise from researchers affiliated with both universities (Martin-Luther-Universität Halle Wittenberg (MLU), Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena (FSU), Universität Leipzig) and research institutes (Fraunhofer-Zentrum für Internationales Management und Wissensökonomie IMW, Leibniz-Institut für Agrarentwicklung in Transformationsökonomien (IAMO), Leibniz-Institut für Länderkunde (IfL), Max-Planck-Institut für ethnologische Forschung (MPI)) in the Leipzig-Jena-Halle science region.

<http://www.leibniz-eeqa.de/>

QUICK & USEFUL

PEERUS: Never miss a peer reviewed paper again with this app:

<https://peer.us/>

A manifesto for reproducible science:

<http://www.nature.com/articles/s41562-016-0021>

Start-up Funding Book by Nicolaj Højer Nielsen:

<http://www.startupfundingbook.com/>

COOPERATION HIGHLIGHTS

Exhibition of German Architects Receives a Warm Welcome in Chernivtsi

Klaus Brendle, Fachhochschule Lübeck

As we reported in the last issue of this Newsletter (No. 7), there is a successful long-term cooperation between the University of Applied Sciences Lübeck and the National Chernivtsi University, funded by the DAAD project “Practice-oriented Partnership Historical City”. This cooperation was also strongly supported by the BDA Schleswig-Holstein in Kiel (a regional chapter of the Bund Deutscher Architekten/ Union of German Architects). Now thanks to this partnership a BDA exhibition “Bauwelt” of the contestants and winners of the BDA-Prise 2015



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was organised in January 2017 in Chernivtsi to share both the modern developments in the field and inform local community of architects and interested lay audience on building standards used in Germany.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CKNa14iwDNE&feature=youtu.be>

(in Ukrainian): <http://acc.cv.ua/chernivtsi/18580-krashchi-roboti-nimetskikh-arkhitektoriv-predstavili-chernivchanam-fotoreportazh>

<http://promin.cv.ua/2017/01/21/u-chernivtsiakh-vidkryly-vystavku-nimetskykh-arkhitektoriv.html>

Dr Taras Gagalyuk Leads Project "LaScala " with 2 Partner Organisations in Ukraine

For more information, see the IAMO Press Release, 16 January 2017: <https://www.iamo.de/en/press/press-releases/article/international-competence-center-on-large-scale-agriculture-to-be-established-at-iamo/>



Photo: IAMO, Halle (Saale)

Dr Gagalyuk of the Leibniz Institute of Agricultural Development in Transition Economies (IAMO), Halle (Saale), Germany is among the 25 winners of the **Leibniz Competition** with the project LaScala "**International Competence Center on Large Scale Agriculture**", which is funded over next 3 years with a total of **EUR 832,516**. In cooperation with 12 international partners from 10 countries, including Zhytomyr National Agroecological University (ZNAU) and the Ukrainian Agribusiness Club (UCAB), Dr Gagalyuk and his team will study the emergence, management, and economic and social effects of large agricultural enterprises, so-called agroholdings. Large scale agricultural firms are common in many countries, in particular in

Central and Eastern Europe, but also in Central Asia, Latin America, Australia, the United States and in the Western Europe as well. *"Besides economic and managerial challenges for farms this also leads to a number of societal and environmental effects",* says Dr Gagalyuk, *"and in all these effects we want to gain in-depth insights, internationally and interdisciplinarily."* It is anticipated that the outcomes of the LaScala project will be made available to scientists and other experts in the field, as well as to the interested public **via an interactive online data platform**. It is also planned that this platform will compile and disseminate relevant international research publications, databases related to large agricultural operations in general, and other information of potential interest to general public.

Dr. Taras Gagalyuk is a Research Associate at IAMO since August 2015. He studied agricultural economics at the National Agricultural University of Ukraine in Kyiv (M.A. in Accounting and Audit, 2004). Taras gained his PhD in agricultural economics at IAMO and Martin-Luther-University Halle-Wittenberg (2011). He then led the analytical department at the Association "Ukrainian Agribusiness Club" (Kyiv, Ukraine), worked as Long-term Expert of the German-Ukrainian Agricultural Policy Dialogue (Kyiv, Ukraine) and as Topic Analyst at the World Bank (Washington, D.C.). His research focuses on entrepreneurial strategies and organisation of agroholdings with a regional focus on Ukraine, Russia, and Kazakhstan.

<http://www.iamo.de/en/lascala>

<https://www.iamo.de/en/research/projects/details/lascala/>



The IDD of Leibniz Universität Hannover Shares its Competence in Civic Education

Dr. des. Inken Heldt, Nataliya Butych, Leibniz Universität Hannover



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“Multiplying Civic Competences: Train-the-Trainer” was an intensive one-week seminar developed by the Institut für Didaktik der Demokratie of Leibniz Universität Hannover led by Prof. Dr. Dirk Lange and organised by the German-Ukrainian Law-Scientific Dialogue e.V. and the Center for German Law at Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv in October 2016.

The seminar, focused on initiation of civic learning processes in the area of non-formal youth and adult education, teaching of democratic and social skills as well as networking between educators from the civil society and academics, welcomed participants from Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova, and the Republic of Belarus.

The German experts in civic and human rights-oriented education from Hannover shared their experience in didactics to demonstrate the influence of individuals as actors of civil society and to increase their maturity (judgment, criticism and capacity to act). Such issues as freedom of the individuals, shared values, balance of interests, distribution of power, overcoming of inequality as well as issues relevant for the peaceful coexistence in open, inclusive, democratic and pluralistic civil societies were central for the seminar.

The seminar week was highly evaluated due to the consistent orientation on the existing understanding and anticipated challenges of the participants. These have been put into a relationship with didactic concepts at the European level (e.g. "education for active citizenship" / Council of Europe) in order to develop a common basic understanding in the discourse and set the basis of corresponding national educational building blocks. "These five days have given me a completely new perspective on the aims and content of civic education ", a participant from Belarus summarized her experience in the evaluation, " I am already looking forward to discuss with my colleagues at home, how we can foster critical thinking in the process of education."

The project “Multiplying Civic Competences: A Train-the-Trainer-Workshop” was funded by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) within the programme “Strengthening of cooperation with civil society in the Eastern Partnership countries”.

Specials thanks to the Ukrainian partners Prof. Roman Melnyk and his team for the excellent organisation and productive cooperation.

Further Information about the project can be found at: (in German): <http://zdr.knu.ua/de/zakhody-2/nimetskomovni-seminary/535-seminar-politische-didaktik>



A SELECTION OF RELEVANT FUNDING & SUPPORT OPPORTUNITIES

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

Ri-Links2UA Horizon 2020 Projects Preparation Grant Scheme, apply by 15 March

10 selected Ukrainian applicants will be supported with Grants of 1200 Euros.

<https://ri-links2ua.eu/object/call/309>

European XFEL: First proposals for X-ray flash experiments are invited by 20 March

The current programme for the first experiments is planned for a 2-month period. The next announcement of experiment time is expected in summer 2017 for experiments in the first half of 2018. From 2018 on, 4 further instruments will be available, each of which is dedicated to specific applications and research themes.

www.xfel.eu

Enlighten Your Research 2017 call for Eastern Partnership participation, apply by 7 April

Winning applicants will be supported to participate at this year's **Eastern Partnership E-infrastructure Conference**, EaPEC2017, in Minsk, Belarus on 27-28 September, organised by the Eastern Partnership Connect (EaPConnect) project and present their submitted research project proposal. Selected projects will also receive: (i) support and advice on the use of network services and end-to-end network connectivity; (ii) connections to e-infrastructure resources through the EaPConnect partners; (iii) commitment to an agreed level of resource provisioning and support for 1 year.

<https://www.eapconnect.eu/research/>

Grants for networking in Brokerage Events or in Preparatory Meetings, apply by 30 June

This grant for networking supports the participation of local **researchers from Eastern Partnership countries** in Brokerage Events related to H2020 as well as in Preparatory Meetings for the development of concrete project proposals for selected thematic calls within H2020.

<https://www.eap-plus.eu/object/call/50>

Institutional/ Project Funding

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

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

Polish-Ukrainian Call for Research Projects, apply by 24 April

(In Ukrainian): <http://mon.gov.ua/usi-novivni/povidomlennya/2017/01/20/konkurs-spilnix-ukrayinsko-polskix-naukovo-doslidnix-proektiv-dlya-realizacziyi-u-2017-2018-rokax/>

Gerda Henkel Stiftung research grants in historical humanities, apply by 14 June (or at any time for grants under EUR 15000)

The funding activities concentrate basically on German and foreign academics in the fields of historical humanities. Candidates can apply regardless of their nationality and place of work. Research projects in the following fields are supported in particular: Archaeology, History of



Art, Historical Islamic Studies, History, History of Science, History of Law, Prehistory & Early History.

https://www.gerda-henkel-stiftung.de/application_research-projects

EU: Future & Emerging Technologies: Open research & innovation actions, by 27 September

Up to 3 Mio per project

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/fetopen-01-2016-2017.html>

EU: WIDESPREAD-05-2017, Twinning grants, apply by 15 November

Twining aims at significantly strengthening a defined field of research in a university or research organisation from a Widening country by linking it with at least 2 internationally-leading research institutions in other Member States or Associated Countries. In general, costs (up to 1 Mio per 3-year project) relating to administration, networking, coordination, training, management, travel costs are acceptable under a Twinning project.

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/widespread-05-2017.html>

EU: WIDESPREAD-03-2017, ERA Chairs, apply by 15 November

The ERA Chairs actions will support universities or research organisations with the objective of attracting and maintaining high quality human resources under the direction of an outstanding researcher and research manager (the "ERA Chair holder") and in parallel implementing the structural changes necessary to achieve excellence on a sustainable basis. The grant (up to EUR 2.5 million for 5 years) will cover the appointment of the ERA Chair holder and a number of team members (e.g. their salaries, recruitment costs, administrative costs, travel and subsistence costs). The grant will also provide a contribution towards measures aimed at facilitating structural changes in the institution (e.g. costs for trainings, meetings, publications and managing IPR. A minor part of the grant can be spent on equipment. The following cost categories will be ineligible costs: infrastructure costs; research costs (including consumables).

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/widespread-03-2017.html>

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

FINLAND: 5 Postdoctoral Research Positions in Science & Medicine at University of Turku, apply by 15 March 2017

Turku Collegium for Science and Medicine now invites applications for five (5) post-doctoral researcher positions for three-year periods in the mathematics, informatics, physics, chemistry, biochemistry, biology, geology, geography, medicine, biomedicine, dentistry, etc.

https://rekry.saima.fi/certiahome/open_job_view.html;jsessionid=1CE3553611EC6006EAE4D4E454586EBC.worker2?id=00003337&did=5600&lang=en&jc=14&nav_from_open_jobs_view_new=true



GERMANY, BAYHOST German Language Summer Courses in Bavaria, apply by 20 March

Bavarian Academic Center for Central, Eastern and Southeastern Europe (BAYHOST) awards stipends for students and early-career researchers to learn/ improve their German language at Bavarian higher education institutions.

www.uni-regensburg.de/bayhost/stipendien/sprachkurse-in-bayern/index.html

GERMANY, TU Dresden: 20 open-topic postdoc positions, apply by 31 March

<https://www.verw.tu-dresden.de/StellAus/stelle.asp?id=5038>

Different countries, Scholarship Programme for Young Researchers from European Neighbouring Countries, apply by 31 March

Founded in 1985 and formally constituted by Charter in 1987, the Coimbra Group is an association of long-established European multidisciplinary universities of high international standard: University of Granada (Spain), Karl-Franzens University of Graz (Austria), University of Groningen (the Netherlands), University of Heidelberg (Germany), Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi (Romania), KU Leuven (Belgium), University of Padova (Italy), University of Poitiers (France) and University of Salamanca (Spain).

www.coimbra-group.eu/index.php?page=european-neighborhood

GERMANY, DAAD: Johann Gottfried Herder-Program für Hochschullehrer im Ruhestand

The programme supports and mediates the long-term (at least 1-semester) residency of retired university teachers of German universities (in exceptional cases also retired executives from business and administration) at foreign universities worldwide. 2 deadlines pa, 31 March and 30 September.

<https://www.daad.de/ausland/lehren/dozenten/de/4401-johann-gottfried-herder-programm-fuer-hochschullehrer-im-ruhestand/>

AUSTRIA: 2-year Postdoctoral Research Fellowships at IIASA, apply by 1 April

Interdisciplinary research into dynamics of global change:

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

www.iasa.ac.at/web/home/education/postdocs.html

FRANCE: PhD and postdoc fellowships, apply by 3 April

The musée du quai Branly – Jacques Chirac offers every year doctoral and post-doctoral fellowships to support Ph.D. candidates and early career scholars in pursuing innovative research projects. The academic fields concerned are: anthropology, ethnomusicology, art history, history, archaeology, sociology, performance studies. The research topics concerned are: Western and non-Western arts, material and immaterial heritage, museum institutions and their collections, technology, ritual performance and material culture.

www.quaibranly.fr/en/scientific-research/activities/scholarships-and-thesis-prizes/research-fellowships/



GERMANY: MEET UP! Deutsch-Ukrainische Jugendbegegnungen, apply for travel scholarships by 10 April

The purpose of the travel scholarships is to create opportunities to establish new contacts and develop fresh ideas in the German-Ukrainian youth exchange. They address German and Ukrainian representatives of civil society who plan to implement a project under the funding programme "Meet up! German-Ukrainian Youth Encounters".

www.stiftung-evz.de/fileadmin/user_upload/EVZ_Uploads/Handlungsfelder/Handeln_fuer_Menschenrechte/Meet_Up/_Meet_up_Ausschreibung_2017_Reise_EN.pdf

POLAND: Krzysztof Skubiszewski Scholarship & Research Grant 2017, apply by 13 April 2017

The scholarship holder will be given the opportunity to conduct academic research in Poland during the 2017/2018 academic year in collaboration with the University of Warsaw or with another Polish university, in the field of law, political science or contemporary history. The goal of the scholarship is to promote democracy, human rights, the rule of law, and the respect of law in international relations.

www.skubi.net/stypendium2017_en.html

POLAND: UNESCO fellowships, apply by 14 April

40 fellowships of 6 months duration each to undertake an individual research programme in the field of Science, Technology and Engineering, in Poland.

www.unesco.org/new/en/fellowships/programmes/unesco-poland-co-sponsored-fellowships-programme-engineering/

ITALY: Bogliasco Fellowships, apply by 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>

Rotary Peace Fellowship, apply by 31 May 2017

Each year, Rotary awards up to 50 fellowships for master's degrees and 50 for certificate studies at premier universities around the world.

<https://www.rotary.org/en/our-programs/peace-fellowships>

EUROPE: FEBS Collaborative Experimental Scholarships for Central & Eastern Europe, no deadline

These 2-3-month scholarships are for the exclusive benefit of PhD students from Central & Eastern Europe who need to visit a well-funded laboratory in Western Europe for the purpose of carrying out experimental procedures that would be impossible in their home country because of a lack of resources. Applications may be made throughout the year, but should reach the Chairperson of the FEBS Fellowships Committee at least 2 months before the proposed starting date.

www.febs.org/our-activities/fellowships/collaborative-experimental-scholarships-for-central-eastern-europe/



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.

www.embo.org/funding-awards/fellowships/long-term-fellowships - about

MSCA-IF-2017 Individual Fellowships: Calls opens on 11 April, deadline: 14 September 2017

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/calls/h2020-msca-if-2017.html#c.topics=callIdentifier/t/H2020-MSCA-IF-2017/1/1/1/default-group&callStatus/t/Forthcoming/1/1/0/default-group&callStatus/t/Open/1/1/0/default-group&callStatus/t/Closed/1/1/0/default-group&+identifier/desc>

Useful VIDEO + PPTs from the “Proposal Preparation for Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions” Webinar

This webinar was the 2nd of a series of 15 Black Sea Horizon project webinars providing information and good practices about Horizon 2020 in general and on specific calls launched thereunder in particular with potential for bi-regional cooperation.

<https://blacksea-horizon.eu/object/document/324>

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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>

COMPETITIONS OF INTEREST

UK: The Insight Astronomy Photographer of the Year 2017, submit images by 7 April 2017

www.rmg.co.uk/discover/astronomy-photographer-competition

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/>

JOB'S 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.

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



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A SELECTION OF FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Berlin	Prisma Ukraïna Lecture Series 2016/17: "Revolutions and their Impact on Modern Eastern and Central Europe"
13/04/2017 Prof. Korine Amacher (University of Geneva), Chair: Andrii Portnov	Mihail Pokrovski (1868-1932): About Ukraine and the "Great Russian Chauvinism"
03/05/2017 Prof. Olena Haleta , Ivan Franko Lviv University (currently: HU Berlin) Chair: Susanne Frank	Art and Revolution: Between Freedom and Crisis www.forum-transregionale-studien.de/nc/en/forum/events.html
15/05/2017 Kyiv, Ukraine To register for the Workshop and/or the "Ukrainian Scientific Database": https://goo.gl/forms/U6fj6Q6YIBJPuxL92	Workshop "SCIENCE CONNECTS: Strengthening the Interaction between Researchers in Ukraine and Scientific Diaspora" https://sites.google.com/view/scienceconnectsua/home
7-8/07/2017 Essen, Germany To attend, please register: Ukraine.Netzwerk@kwi-nrw.de	Conference "Economic elites in Ukraine: Friends or Foes of Transformation?/ Wirtschaftseliten in der Ukraine: Wegbereiter oder Gegner der Transformation?", Network „Ukraine: Post-soviet Society in Transition/ <i>Ukraine: postsowjetische Gesellschaft im Wandel</i> " (led by Oksana Huss & Olena Petrenko, Inst. for Advanced Study in the Humanities (KWI), Essen). www.kwi-nrw.de/images/text_material-3551.img www.kwi-nrw.de/home/netzwerk3.html
10/07-4/08/2017 Lviv, Ukraine	Summer School "Connecting (to) Histories: Engaging with the Urban Pasts and Displaying Jewish Heritage" www.lvivcenter.org/en/summerschools/jewish-history-2017/
17/7-5/8/2017 Lviv, Ukraine	International Summer School "Ukrainian Language and Country Studies" at the Centre of Ukrainian Studies of Ivan Franko Lviv National University. http://summer-school.com.ua/?lang=en
7/08 – 19/08/2017 Greifswald	Ukrainicum Summer School: Save the date! https://slawistik.uni-greifswald.de/info/akademische-veranstaltungen/ukrainicum-krupp/



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<http://www.research-in-germany.org/virtuallfair2017>

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