



EARLY-CAREER RESEARCHERS INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY SCHEME CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

This project has received funding from the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme under grant agreement No 101035814

Early-Career Researchers (ECRs) are invited to apply for a mobility grant of up to 4000 euros. The grants will enable ECRs to work on a project with a Circle U. Chair from a different university. The grant covers travel/accommodation costs.

The Circle U. Alliance seeks to promote mobility of ECRs and the development of a strong international network between our partner universities.

ABOUT THE ECR INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY SCHEME

Why should you apply? The ECR International Mobility Scheme will help you by:

- Building your **network** amongst researchers in Circle U. universities
- Facilitating **mobility** and sharing of ideas
- Stimulating new research **ideas**
- Broadening and deepening your research **interests and skills**
- Complementing your **core research** as a Ph.D. student or Post-doc

We expect ECRs to spend a period of time at the home university of the relevant Circle U. Chair, but this does not mean that the project cannot start or continue virtually before/after the in-person visit. We hope to promote and allow further collaboration in the future.

ELIGIBILITY

This Call for Applications is **open to ECRs** (Ph.D. students and Post-docs) from one of the Circle U. universities involved*. (*Aarhus University, Humboldt University, King's College London, UCLouvain, Université Paris Cité, University of Belgrade, University of Oslo)

The eligible Circle U. Chairs cover the following broad research areas:

- Climate
- Democracy
- Global Health
- Public Governance

Details of the project work are described in the [project abstract booklet](#).

SELECTION CRITERIA

All ECR applications will be reviewed by a panel comprising representatives from Circle U. universities.

The quality of applications will be assessed based on **the fit of the research interests, experience and skills of the ECR with the relevant project, as well as the aspirations and attributes of the ECR.** The panel will make its final selection in partnership with the relevant Circle U. Chairs.

SUBMISSION PROCEDURE AND DEADLINES

To apply for the ECR International Mobility Scheme, **please fill in this [online application form](#).**

You can identify a maximum of two projects you would like to work on - see the [project abstract booklet](#) for more details. Before completing the [online application form](#), you might like to prepare answers to these three questions. You can write a maximum of 300 words for each.

1. How do your research interests align with this/these project(s)?
2. Where do you see yourself professionally in 5 years time? How will this programme help you achieve those goals?
3. What strengths do you have that will enable you to get the most from this programme?

When applying, you will be asked to confirm that you have the permission of your supervisor/mentor/PI/line manager to undertake this project work alongside your research/studies. We do not expect PhD students to interrupt their studies for this scheme, though you may choose to do so. We expect you to follow local guidance from your home university in this respect.

Applications to the scheme should be submitted by **June 7, 2022** (midnight CET), using the project abstracts as a guide on the expertise and interests of the Circle U. Chairs.

Selection results will be **communicated to applicants in early July, 2022** and the activity should be **completed by June 2023 at the latest.** We will ask you for a short report on your experience and will also ask for feedback on the scheme.

MORE INFORMATION

Please refer questions to the **Circle U. ECR International Mobility Coordinator**, Dr Nigel Eady, Director of Research Talent, King's College London: nigel.eady@kcl.ac.uk

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