Dear Colleagues,

Welcome to the October edition of the EURAXESS Links Japan newsletter!

The EURAXESS Science Slam Japan 2015 finals were a very successful event thanks to you all! Check out the event report in this newsletter!

Our next event, the European Research(ers’) Day, planned for 11 December in Tokyo is now welcoming registration as attendees, so don’t wait and book your seat today! More information and a tentative programme are available in the ELJ activities section of this newsletter.

The new Work Programme for Horizon 2020 (period 2016-2017) is out, and several coordinated calls as well as calls mentioning Japan as potential partner, are planned! Check the news item in the News and Development section, or take a look at the complete list of programmes in the Grants and Fellowships section of this newsletter!

All our encouragements to those of you who are still in the process of writing a kakenhi application, let’s hope for the best for all of you!

Once again, you will also find in this document all upcoming deadlines for research cooperation or mobility projects between Europe and Japan, events and jobs information.

And finally, this month’s EU insight focuses on the topic of the recently published Horizon 2020 work programmes.

Enjoy the reading!

Wishing you a nice month ahead,

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1 EU Insight – Work programmes for 2016-2017: over EUR 16 bn for research and innovation

On 13 October, the European Commission (EC) published the second Horizon 2020 work programme for the next two years, 2016 to 2017. Aligned with the agenda of Commission President Jean-Claude Juncker, the work programme aims to boost competitiveness and support Europe’s growth and jobs with an investment of nearly EUR 16 billion in research and innovation.

Selected key priorities for 2016-2017

To boost Europe’s growth and increase the number of jobs without creating new debt is a top priority for the next two years. Research and innovation investments will cover both the immediate need to engage the re-industrialisation of Europe as well as the longer-term objective of building solid knowledge needed for the next wave of innovative breakthroughs. This includes, amongst others, funding of around EUR 2 billion to small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs); nearly EUR 1.7 billion for outstanding researchers through European Research Council (ERC) grants to work on the best ideas that could lead to innovative growth-enhancing breakthroughs; and nearly 10,000 fellowships for young researchers under the Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions to receive high-quality training and career development opportunities abroad.

Other priorities will be the contribution to a connected digital single market; a forward-looking climate change policy for secure, affordable and climate-friendly energy; maintaining and reinforcing the internal market as well as European industrial base; and the tackling of cross-cutting issues, such as improving synergies with other EU funding programmes, i.e. the European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF). Last but not least, international cooperation calls and targeted initiatives will help boost research and innovation cooperation with countries outside Europe and effectively tackle common societal challenges.

The work programme is in line with Commissioner Moedas’ strategic priorities ‘openness to innovation, to science and to the world’.

Sources and further information


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What is a work programme?
Funding opportunities under Horizon 2020 are set out in multiannual work programmes, which cover the large majority of support available. The work programmes are prepared by the European Commission within the framework provided by the Horizon 2020 legislation and through a strategic programming process integrating EU policy objectives in the priority setting.

The European Research Council work programme can be found here.
2 EURAXESS Links Japan activities

2.1 EURAXESS Science Slam Japan 2015

The third edition of the EURAXESS Science Slam Japan was a great success, thanks to our host the Tokyo Metropolitan University, our sponsor Cactus Communications, and of course thanks to the 5 Slammers and to all the attendees who came to see the live event or who watched it through our streaming channel.

The 5 finalists rivalled in originality and did their best to communicate their research, and gave a hard time to the nine debate groups who had to mark them and decide on a top-3!

In the end, the winners were:

3rd: Ms Lucy LAHRITA, with her Slam: “Turning trash into ca$h using the earth’s smallest inhabitants”

She won an interview to be published soon in this newsletter and online on his/her research subject and personal background!

2nd: Mr Shogo MATSUMOTO, with his Slam: “Maintenance of Bridges - numerical design and un-numerical maintenance”

He won a voucher to free English editing of his next scientific article, offered by our partner Editage/Cactus Communications!

1st: Mr Muhammad FAJAR, with his Slam: “MISSION POSSIBLE: Super Nuclear Control Rods”

His desire to communicate, his original angle on the problematic of modern nuclear engineering, and creative use of several different media during his Slam...
won the audience’s hearts and minds! He won the trip to Europe to visit a research institution of his choice, next year in June, along with all other Slam winners in the 6 EURAXESS Links hubs!

You will soon get a glimpse of the event through pictures which will soon be available on our website, and through the videos of the Slam that we will soon upload on our YouTube channel, so please visit us online!

Thank you again and let's look forward to the next edition!

2.2 European Research(ers’) Day, 11 December, Tokyo

This will be the very first edition of our event targeting the community of European researchers in Japan: the European Research(ers’) Day will give you an opportunity to learn about other researchers’ projects, to discuss career experiences and to gain insights and tips on how to improve, to network within the European Diaspora and beyond!

The event will take the form of a full-day workshop on 11 December 2015 at the Delegation of the EU to Japan, Tokyo.

Features of the event:

Different “in-focus” sessions:

- A session on possibilities with Europe (funding / cooperation / mobility / relocation);
- A session on opportunities in Japan (funding / cooperation / jobs);
- A short session on ways to advertise your research and bring it to the technology transfer phase;
- A session to launch the EURAXESS Survey of European Researchers in Japan, to give you the opportunity of expressing your needs, especially relative to cooperation or relocation; to Europe,
- And an interactive session on career progression and European, Global and Hidden job markets for researchers

And a full day of presentations by researchers:
- Four oral presentation sessions and a poster session by Japan based researchers from various fields (including humanities and social sciences), various career levels (from PhD candidates to professors), and various European countries!

A nice lunch buffet and evening networking reception are also waiting for you!

Check for further information and register on our webpage!
3 News & Developments

3.1 EU, Member States and Associated Countries

3.1.1 Horizon 2020: new Work Programme supports growth, jobs and competitiveness

The European Commission will boost competitiveness by investing almost EUR 16 billion in research and innovation in the next two years under Horizon 2020, the EU's research and innovation funding scheme, following a new Work Programme for 2016-17 adopted on October 13, 2015.

The new funding opportunities offered by the Work Programme are directly aligned with the policy priorities of the Commission of President Jean-Claude Juncker and will substantially contribute to the Jobs, Growth and Investment Package, the Digital Single Market, Energy Union and Climate change policy, Internal Market with stronger industry and making Europe a stronger global actor.

Carlos Moedas, Commissioner for Research, Science and Innovation said: "Research and innovation are the engines of Europe's progress and vital to addressing today's new pressing challenges like immigration, climate change, clean energy and healthy societies. Over the next two years, EUR 16 billion from Horizon 2020 will support Europe's top scientific efforts, making the difference to citizens' lives."

In line with Commissioner Moedas' strategic priorities, Horizon 2020 will be open to innovation, open to science, and open to the world. The new Work Programme 2016-17 offers funding opportunities through a range of calls for proposals, public procurements and other actions like the Horizon Prizes, together covering nearly 600 topics. The programme's structure is a reflection of the overall flexibility of Horizon 2020 which focuses on the EU's long-term priorities and the most pressing societal challenges while allowing it to swiftly address emerging problems such as outbreaks of diseases.

The programme will support a range of cross-cutting initiatives: the modernisation of Europe's manufacturing industry (EUR 1 billion); technologies and standards for automatic driving (over EUR 100 million); the Internet of Things (EUR 139 million) to address digitalisation of EU industries; Industry 2020 in the Circular Economy (EUR 670 million) to develop strong and sustainable economies; and Smart and Sustainable Cities (EUR 232 million) to better integrate environmental, transport, energy and digital networks in EU's urban environments.

In addition, at least EUR 8 million in funding will be available for research on security of EU's external borders to help identify and prevent human trafficking and smuggling; EUR 27 million for the new technologies to help prevent crime and terrorism as well as EUR 15 million for research into the origin and impact of migration flows in Europe. The new Work Programme will also build on successes in health research, such as the Ebola-related breakthrough.
discoveries already supported by Horizon 2020, by investing EUR 5 million to respond to the critical outbreak of the damaging olive-tree pest Xylella fastidiosa.

The new Work Programme is also set on improving the impact of Horizon 2020 funding. First, it will ensure more money is available for innovative companies thanks to new leveraging opportunities supported by the European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSI), in addition to over EUR 740 million dedicated to support research and innovation activities in nearly 2,000 small and medium enterprises (SMEs). More will also be done to improve synergies with other EU funding programmes, as stressed by President Juncker in his State of the Union speech, as well as support researchers in their applications with clearer guidance and impact criteria.

Source: European Commission

3.1.2 The European Commission launches initiative to help refugee scientists and researchers

The European Commission has launched in October the ‘science4refugees’ initiative for asylum-seeking and refugee scientists and researchers. This measure will enable a match-making process between refugees and asylum seekers with a scientific background and the scientific institutions that voluntarily declare themselves as “refugee-welcoming organisations”.

‘science4refugees’ is accessible to refugees and institutions through the EURAXESS - Researchers in Motion portal. With this initiative the European Commission is helping concentrate under a single portal potential actions aimed at researchers and scientists coming to Europe as refugees and asylum seekers. Interested institutions can now flag their offers – be it positions, internships or training courses – with the ‘science4refugees’ emblem to indicate their interest in hiring asylum seekers. Key stakeholders and institutions, such as the League of European Research Universities (LERU), announced public commitment to this action.

Refugees and asylum seekers can upload their CVs on a dedicated EURAXESS page and express their interest for an internship, a job or training. Registration is on a free and voluntary basis. In addition, the portal provides access to a complete range of information on working conditions in Europe for refugees and asylum seekers.

In the longer term, with the support of the EURAXESS Service Centres, schemes on training mentoring, language and integration courses will be added to the ‘science4refugees’ initiative to help refugees settle into their host country of residence.

Source: European Commission and EURAXESS Jobs

3.1.3 Opening ERC teams to the world

Early October, the ERC has contacted its grantees to inquire about their interest to host young non-European scientists in their research teams.
Some ERC grantees can now benefit from a set of international agreements that make it easier for scientists from Argentina, China, Japan, Korea, South Africa and the United States to join ERC research teams for short periods of time. The programme is open to the grantees who are at least 18 months away from finishing their projects.

The partner research funding agencies contribute financially to the visits.

The purpose of these agreements (“implementing arrangements”), four of which entered into force in 2015 (including that with Japan), is to foster scientific cooperation between the European Union and some of the leading research agencies outside the EU, boosting the global circulation of talent. This allows ERC grantees to draw on the experience and new ideas of young international researchers.

About seventy US and Korean researchers have joined the research teams of the ERC grantees since 2013, thanks to such agreements (data as of December 2014).

New similar agreements are currently being negotiated with other countries for possible adoption in 2015 and 2016.

Source: ERC

3.1.4 The Researchers’ Nights: “How one evening changed my career”

For Matteo Iafrati, a European Researchers’ Night conference changed the course of his career. For others, it provides an opportunity to connect with the general public and generate a broad interest in science.

As the EU-wide event marks its 10th year of helping people gain insight into the life of a researcher, we talk to a former participant to find out what the event means to him.

In 2009, Matteo Iafrati’s career path changed when he attended a European Researchers’ Night event in Frascati, Italy. Although he had been interested in pursuing a career in science since he was a child, his first love was particle
physics and his ambitions leant towards studying at CERN. It was a meeting with his future supervisor, Professor Giuseppe Mazzitelli, from the Italian National Agency for New Technologies, Energy and Sustainable Economic Development (ENEA), that changed his mind.

‘Since I was at school, I wanted to become a physicist. In particular I was attracted by particle physics, and big machines for particle physics like the particle accelerator in Geneva, like LHC (the Large Hadron Collider). But during the European Researchers’ Night in 2009 I met Prof. Giuseppe Mazzitelli at a conference. This conference was about fusion energy and fusion research and a special device for bringing the power of the stars to the earth, called a tokamak. And I fell in love with this fusion research, and one year later I started my physics degree in Rome and I changed my initial career, becoming a plasma physicist, not a particle physicist.’

Matteo is completing his master’s thesis and will shortly be embarking on a PhD programme looking at the use of liquid metal to capture energy inside the tokamak. He describes European Researchers’ Night as a ‘bridge’ that originally gave him an insight into a particular area of science as a member of the public, and now lets him introduce his work to other people as a researcher.

‘I think it is a good way for people to know what we are doing. We want to check (on the) developments in our work with feedback from people. It is a very good opportunity for people to also know how researchers spend public money. Because researchers are the employees of the people. So I think people can learn a lot from the night and the researcher also.’

Source: Horizon Magazine

3.2 Japan

3.2.1 Research institute leaders gather in Kyoto for global summit

On 3 October, leaders representing 18 scientific research institutes based in 13 countries around the world, came to Kyoto to attend the Fourth Global Summit of Research Institute Leaders. The goal of the summit is to give leaders of research institutes a forum for discussing common problems and talking about how their institutes can build strategies for cooperation to better contribute to the advancement of society.

The meeting was jointly hosted by RIKEN and the National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST), and was co-chaired by RIKEN President Hiroshi Matsumoto and Alain Fuchs, President of the Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS) of France, with Stefan Noreen, former Swedish ambassador to Japan, acting as facilitator.
The meeting this year focused on collaboration between research institutes and universities. Beginning with a presentation by President Matsumoto, the participants discussed issues such as the funding of large-scale facilities shared by researchers from research institutes and universities, and the development of joint programmes for nurturing young researchers. The meeting ended with the participants adopting a statement recognizing the importance of such partnerships and calling for increased cooperation, suggesting areas such as “sharing facilities and making joint use of personnel resources, including global exchanges of personnel, through means such as cross appointments, joint laboratories, and hosting faculty members and graduate students at research institute laboratories.”

The next summit is scheduled to be held on 1 October 2016, also in Kyoto. The summit was held in conjunction with the STS forum, a global gathering of science and technology leaders around the world who come together to discuss the social impacts of science and technology.

Source: RIKEN

3.2.2 New initiative facilitating research cooperation projects with Japan

The Research University Network of Japan (RU Network Japan) is an organisation formed on a voluntary basis by universities and research institutes that address research enhancement. They promote collaboration with funding, government and private agencies beyond organizational borders, as well as further enhance the research capabilities of Japan by strengthening the research capabilities of each university and research institute and improving the support system for the research environment.

RU Network has empowered a task force for international collaboration that will focus on marketing the members’ research and research institutions in order to facilitate interactions between RU Network Japan members and potential partners abroad.

The task force just launched “Gateway to Communication”, aimed at providing a single entry point to any person, researcher or administrator, or any institution looking for
specific contact points within RU Network members in view of developing collaborative research projects.

The contact point to this gateway is: contact@runetwork.jp

Source: RU Network

### 3.2.3 Ministry of Defense funded 9 projects in its first call

As many as 109 applications were submitted for the Ministry of Defense (MOD) unprecedented competitive funding opportunity for dual use technologies (see details in previous editions of this newsletter).

MOD has selected 9 projects as shown below, making the success rate 1 out of 12 proposals. The award per project is up to JPY 30 million (EUR 220,000) per year for up to 3 years.

The research results will be made public, and all Principal Investigators will be allowed to apply for patent rights on the technologies developed through these projects.

Source: NSF Tokyo Office Weekly Wire, MOD (Japanese only)

### 3.2.4 Japan ranks second in Thompson Reuters’ new “Innovative Universities” ranking

"Innovation" is one of the most oft-cited buzzwords in both academia and the business world, but its usage isn't consistent. It can mean that an organisation regularly produces new ideas or unique products; that its internal policies and practices are significantly different from the competition; or simply that members are encouraged to think creatively and pursue disruptive ideas. This means that innovation is hard to measure; so how can potential partners, investors, faculty and students know if an institution is really transforming science and technology and impacting the global economy?
To answer that question, Reuters set out to find and rank the world’s top 100 innovative universities empirically, building a methodology that employs 10 different metrics. The criteria focused on academic papers, which indicate basic research performed at a university, and patent filings, which point to an institution’s interest in protecting and commercialising its discoveries. Compiled by the Intellectual Property & Science business of Thomson Reuters, the list uses proprietary data and analysis tools (details here).

Key findings of the Reuters Top 100 include the strong performance of institutions outside the United States. Half of Reuters Top 100 Innovative Universities are located in Canada, Europe or Asia; Japan is home to nine of the Reuters Top 100 innovative universities - more than any other country except the U.S. EU countries are also well positioned in this ranking, with France in third position (8 institutions), Germany in fifth position (6), the UK in sixth (5), and Belgium in eighth (2).

The most innovative university in Europe, Imperial College London, is ranked 11th overall. It is followed by Belgium’s KU Leuven (16th) and the University of Cambridge (25th). Elsewhere in Europe, Switzerland stands out with three schools on the list and a population of just over 8 million people, it has more top 100 innovative universities per capita than any other country in the world.

As for Japanese institutions, this ranking is extremely interesting as it sheds new light on the academic landscape in the country. Indeed, the usual top-3 ranking that seemed immutable is here inverted, with Osaka University on top (18th global), followed by Kyoto University (22nd) and the University of Tokyo (24th).

Source: Thompson Reuters
3.3 Europe-Japan Cooperation

3.3.1 Horizon 2020 Info Day 2015: Horizon 2020 Work Programme for 2016-17 and EU-Japan Cooperation

On 14 October 2015, the JEUPISTE project organised the Horizon 2020 Info Day in Tokyo on the occasion of the publication of the new Work Programme 2016-2017 in Horizon 2020. 175 people attended this seminar hosted at the EU Delegation in Tokyo.

This event highlighted opportunities for Japanese participation in Horizon 2020 by presenting the new Work Programmes 2016-2017 in light of cooperation with Japan. It further featured examples of Japanese participation by introducing the CD-LINKS and SAFARI Project, in addition to explaining Japan-EU projects in Energy and Intensity Frontier Research. In the second part of the seminar, the Japanese government, represented by JST, JSPS and MIC, detailed their efforts in cooperating with Europe. Finally, support services for Horizon 2020 in Japan such as JEUPISTE, NCP Japan and EURAXESS Links Japan were introduced in the concluding part.

Presentations:

- Horizon 2020 and cooperation with Japan - Dr. Leonidas KARAPIPERIS (download PDF)
- Overview of Work Programme 2016-2017 and opportunities for participation from Japan - Dr. Hiroshi MATSUMOTO (download PDF)
- CD-LINKS Project - Mr. Shinichiro FUJIMORI (download PDF)
- Japan and Europe Network for Energy and Intensity Frontier Research - Dr. Tomio KOBAYASHI (download PDF)
- SAFARI Project - Mr. Yutaka MIYAMOTO (download PDF)
- Building Robust Japan-EU Cooperative Networks - Mr. Hideyuki YAMAGUCHI (download PDF)
- Research and Development Policy and Japan-Europe cooperation of MIC - Mr. Shuji YAMAGUCHI (download PDF)
- Horizon 2020 and the JEUPISTE project - Mr. Stijn LAMBRECHT (download PDF)
- JEUPISTE data collection and analysis on Europe-Japan cooperation in Science, Technology and Innovation - Ms. Aida DIAZ (download PDF)
Activities of the National Contact Point Japan - Dr. Hiroshi MATSUMOTO (download PDF)

EURAXESS services to support Europe-Japan cooperation and mobility projects - Dr. Matthieu PY (download PDF)

Source: Jeupiste

3.3.2 EU-Japan Science Policy Forum debates foresight in Kyoto

A full-house gathering of ministers (from Sweden and Bulgaria), high-level legislators, policy makers, research finders, academics and industrialists from both Europe and Japan met in Kyoto, on 3 October, on the occasion of the 6th EU-Japan Science Policy Forum on the topic of "Foresight for STI in an era of accelerated change". It was co-organised by the S&T Section of the EU Delegation to Japan and the National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies GRIPS, in the margins of the STS forum.

The host of the event, EU Ambassador Viorel Istitcioaia-Budura, stressed in his welcome address, that this timely debate was an excellent example of policy dialogue between the two sides in the context of the strengthening EU-Japan Partnership in Research and Innovation. Founder and Chairman of STS forum kindly gave a welcome address as well. The Forum was honoured by the participation of freshly appointed JST President Michinari Hamaguchi, who proposed the toast. This was followed by policy briefs on the importance and use of foresight in STI policy making by Member of the European Parliament Paul Rubig, CSTI Executive Member Yuko Harayama and Xavier Troussard from the European Commission's Joint Research Centre. Seven eminent experts, representing both "producers" and "users" of foresight made further introductory remarks, followed by a lively debate among all the participants.

Source: Delegation of the EU to Japan

3.3.3 Japanese WPI research centres strengthening partnerships across continents

Various WPI researchers made their way to northwestern France to attend NanoMat 2015 in Rennes — a sister city of Sendai. The event was co-organised by six French C’Nano centres and four WPI institutes (MANA, iCeMS, i2CNER and the AIMR) and was spread over four days. Five AIMR researchers were invited to give talks and four young researchers presented posters at the gathering.

The workshop organising committee agreed to reunite next year for another France–Japan workshop at Kyushu University.
“The workshops in the United States and France are integral components of the WPIs strategy to promote international collaboration,” said Masaru Tsukada, administrative director at the AIMR who coordinated the Japan delegation attending the workshops.

Source: WPI AIMR

Shigemi Mizukami, a principal investigator at the AIMR, presented his research on spin-based devices known as magnetic tunnel junctions at a workshop in Rennes, France.
4 Grants & Fellowships

4.1 European Union

4.1.1 Open calls under Horizon 2020

Horizon 2020 is the largest EU research and innovation programme ever. Almost EUR 80 billion in funding is available over seven years (2014 to 2020), in addition to the private and national investment that this money will attract.

Access all open calls on the Horizon 2020 Participant Portal.

Please note that the calls are allocated to the three pillars of Horizon 2020:

- **Excellent Science**: Around EUR 3 billion, including EUR 1.7 billion for grants from the European Research Council for top scientists, and EUR 800 million for Marie Skłodowska-Curie fellowships for younger researchers.

- **Industrial Leadership**: EUR 1.8 billion to support Europe’s industrial leadership in areas like ICT, nanotechnologies, advanced manufacturing, robotics, biotechnologies and space.

- **Societal Challenges**: EUR 2.8 billion for innovative projects addressing Horizon 2020’s seven societal challenges, broadly thematised as: health; agriculture, maritime and bioeconomy; energy; transport; climate action, environment, resource efficiency and raw materials; reflective societies; and security.

4.1.2 New Horizon 2020 2016-2017 Work Programme: coordinated calls and calls mentioning Japan

As you may already know, the new Horizon 2020 Work Programme for the period 2016-2017 was announced earlier this month (see news item in this newsletter).

Amongst the list of calls that were unveiled, some directly target Japan as a compulsory partner (coordinated calls), and some mention Japan amongst other countries as a potential strong partner.

Please check the list of calls below, especially the targeted calls in ICTs and Health.

Keep also in mind that all Horizon 2020 calls are open for participation from a Japanese institution, not only those listed here. However, when Japan is specifically mentioned in the call text, it means that a project including a Japanese partner may be considered as stronger than one that does not.

Do not forget to check the participant portal for more detailed information.
## COORDINATED CALLS WITH JAPAN (2016)

**EU-Japan Joint Call in ICT**

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**Personalised Medicine**

Active ageing and self-management of health

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## JAPAN MENTIONED IN OPEN CALLS (2016)

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<td>Australia, Brazil, Canada, China,</td>
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<td>INFRAIA-02-2017</td>
<td>Integrating Activities for Starting Communities</td>
<td>India, Japan, Mexico, Russia, USA</td>
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**Information and Communication Technologies**

**Future Internet**

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**Smart, green and integrated transport**

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4.1.3 JEUPISTE project support actions for H2020

The JEUPISTE project aims at promoting EU-Japan cooperation in Science, Technology and Innovation through support to policy dialogues, deployment of bilateral information services, organisation of networking events focusing on specific technologies and/or societal challenges, operation of help desk services (in cooperation with NCP Japan) and contribution to the development of human resources for collaborative projects.

The JEUPISTE project can help if you need advice or information regarding Horizon 2020 and Europe-Japan cooperation.

Further information: JEUPISTE
4.1.4 Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions:

The Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions (MSCA) support research training and career development focused on innovation skills. The programme funds worldwide and cross-sector mobility that implements excellent research in any field (a "bottom-up" approach).

Through various streams, MSCAs support researcher mobility at different stages of their career:

- **International Training Network (ITN)** for PhD studies (for Japanese candidates mostly through application via the EURAXESS Jobs database -“more filters” tab, →“Marie Curie” link),
- **Individual Fellowships (IF)** for postdoctoral fellowships or research stays (without age limit),
- **Research and Innovation Staff Exchange (RISE)** for repeated short research stays over a several years span.

Open and upcoming MSCA calls:

**ITN** (closing 12 January 2016)

Follow Marie in video and learn more about the Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions on our YouTube channel!

4.1.5 European Research Council grants

The European Research Council's (ERC) mission is to encourage the highest quality of research in Europe and to support investigator-driven frontier research across all fields, on the basis of scientific excellence through competitive funding.

Being 'bottom-up' in nature, the ERC approach allows researchers to identify new opportunities and directions in any field of research, rather than being led by priorities set by politicians. It is a highly competitive funding scheme (10% success rate on average for Starting and Consolidator grants, 14% for Advanced grants).

Researchers from anywhere in the world can apply for a European Research Council (ERC) grant to come 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 20% of team members are non-Europeans.
Open and forthcoming ERC calls:

- **ERC Starting Grant** (deadline 18 November)
- **ERC Consolidator Grant** (deadline 2 February 2016)

4.1.6 Interested in hosting a Japanese researcher within your ERC team?

The European Research Council Executive Agency signed an Implementing Arrangement with the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS) on 29 May 2015.

Under this arrangement, ERC will provide opportunities for recipients of JSPS Research Fellowships for Young Scientists to pursue research collaboration with European colleagues already supported by the ERC.

A first Call for expression of interest to ERC PIs and teams has been launched in October, so that the first Japanese visits may take place in 2016.

Further information [here](#).

4.1.7 Erasmus+ Joint Master Degrees and Joint Doctorates

Erasmus+ Joint master degrees (JMD) and Joint Doctorates (JD) are offered by international consortia of higher education institutions.

A JMD corresponds to a high-level integrated international study programme of 60, 90 or 120 ECTS (corresponding to one or two years of studies). Students at master's level can apply for these degrees which take place in at least two of the programme countries represented in the consortium. 121 different consortia are proposing JMDs. Between approximately 13 and 20 student scholarship holders and 4 invited scholars/guest, lecturers can take part in each programme annually. In addition to the student scholarship holders, self-funded students can enrol.

JDs are doctoral-level training and research programmes and offer fellowships covering up to three years of doctoral activities. 29 consortia are proposing JDs in various fields.

Applications on the Japanese side must come through a higher education institution.

**Deadlines: various** (depending on each consortium's rules for application)

Joint Master Degrees: further information [here](#), list of the consortia [here](#)
Joint Doctorates: further information and list of consortia [here](#)
4.1.1 Erasmus Mundus: TEAM project call for applications

The Technologies for information and communication, Europe – east Asia Mobilities (TEAM) project brings together world class higher education and research institutions as well as industrial partners in the field of ICTs and Electrical Engineering. The objectives of the TEAM partnership are to create a network of excellence in ICT between Europe, Japan and the Republic of Korea.

The TEAM project is an Erasmus Mundus Action, funded by the European Commission. Throughout the project duration, 110 scholarships will be awarded at a doctorate, post-doctorate and staff level: 72 for mobility from Europe towards Japan and Republic of Korea, and 38 for mobility of Japanese and Korean candidates towards Europe.

This is the first call for applications within this project. The TEAM project is open to doctorates, post-doctorates and academic and administrative staff from the 12 European, Japanese and Korean partner universities studying and/or doing research in the field of Information and Communication Technologies.

The first scholarship will start from September 2015, for durations from 6 months to one year.

Call will open on 6 November

Further information here

4.1.2 Come to Europe! EURAXESS ERC, MSCA and Erasmus+ brochure

A new EURAXESS brochure: “Come to Europe!” presenting a few bullet points on the three main European opportunities for researcher mobility (ERC, MSCA and Erasmus+) is available online on our website.

Please check it out and share with your colleagues!

4.1.3 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 portals:

Austria, Belgium, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Faroe Islands, Finland, France, Macedonia, 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.

http://ec.europa.eu/euraxess
4.2 EU Member States and Associated Countries

4.2.1 Global

4.2.1.1 IIASA’s Young Scientists Summer Program

The International Institute for Applied System Analysis (IIASA) proposes each year a **three month summer programme for young scientists**, which offers research opportunities to talented young researchers whose interests correspond with IIASA’s ongoing research on issues of global environmental, economic and social change.

As Japanese organisations **fund this programme**, Japanese students are **given priority** (amongst others).

Applicants should be **advanced post graduate students** (about 2 years prior to receiving their PhD).

Next Summer Programme: June to August 2016.

**Deadline: 11 January 2016**

Further information [here](#).

4.2.1.2 EMBO Fellowships

The European Molecular Biology Organisation (EMBO) brings together more than 1,500 leading researchers within 27 Member states and promotes **excellence in the life sciences**.

**EMBO Long-Term Fellowships** fund international postdoctoral research stays, while **EMBO Short-Term Fellowships** fund short research visits abroad or in Europe.

The **EMBO Long-Term Fellowships** are awarded for a **period of up to two years** and support post-doctoral research visits to laboratories throughout Europe. International exchange is a key feature in the application process.

**Short-Term Fellowships** fund research visits of up to **three months** to laboratories in Europe. The aim is to facilitate valuable collaborations with research groups applying techniques that are unavailable in the applicant’s home laboratory.

**Deadlines:** 12 February 2016 (Long-Term), rolling basis (Short-Term)

Further information [here](#).

4.2.1.1 EUI Special Doctoral Fellowships

The **European University Institute (EUI) Special Doctoral Fellowships** has been setup to allow candidates from non-member countries to apply to its PhD programmes in Economics, History and Civilization, Law, and Political and Social Sciences.

Fellowships cover full funding of the PhD courses and monthly stipend for the whole programme (4 years).
Japanese candidates must have successfully completed a Master's or equivalent degree (before 31 August 2016) in an academic discipline relevant to the doctoral programme of the department and the research proposal.

Applicants are required to submit an English international language certificate to demonstrate their level.

**Deadline: 31 January 2016**

Further information [here](#)

### 4.2.2 Austria

#### 4.2.2.1 Lise Meitner Programme for Scientists from Abroad

This programme targets highly qualified scientists of any discipline who can contribute to the scientific development of an Austrian research institution by working at it. It funds 12 or 24 months postdocs with an annual personal allowance between EUR 62,500 and EUR 68,700.

Requirements: completed doctoral studies, record of international scientific publications, invitation from an Austrian research institution and co-application with an Austrian researcher. No age limit.

Applications continuously reviewed.

Further information [here](#)

#### 4.2.2.2 Erwin Schrödinger Fellowships

The purpose of the Erwin Schrödinger Fellowships is to allow young scientists doing research in Austria to perform work stays at leading foreign research institutions.

Young and highly qualified scientists of any discipline and nationality currently affiliated with an Austrian research institution may apply for research stays abroad of 10 to 24 months in length (without return phase) or a stay of 16 to 36 months in length (including return phase of 6 to 12 months). The applicants must find and obtain an invitation from host institutions both abroad and in Austria (in case they apply to the fellowship scheme including a return phase).

Applications accepted continuously

Further information [here](#)

#### 4.2.2.3 IST PhD Programme

In this programme proposed by the [Institute of Science and Technology Austria](http://ec.europa.eu/euraxess), highly qualified students from all disciplines of the natural sciences, mathematics, computer sciences and any related interdisciplinary areas are invited to apply.

Applicants must hold a Master's or Bachelor's degree or anticipate the completion of the degree before September 2016. Participating students are expected to be proficient in written and oral English.
Students admitted to the programme will be offered employment contracts at IST Austria and will receive a salary with full social security coverage. Entering students holding a Master's degree will have four-year contracts, and students holding a Bachelor's degree, five-year contracts.

**Deadline: 8 January 2015**

Further information is available [here](#).

### 4.2.2.1 Marietta Blau Grant for PhD students

The Marietta Blau Grant offers financial support for outgoing research stays as part of a doctoral programme, in any discipline.

The programme is exclusively intended for people who do not receive any public funds for their doctoral studies apart from the Austrian study grant. Applicants must be enrolled at an Austrian educational or research institution. Duration of the stays can vary between 6 and 12 months during which a monthly allowance is awarded (travel costs are not covered).

Two calls per year.

**Next deadline: 1 February**

Further information [here](#).

### 4.2.3 Belgium

#### 4.2.3.1 FWO outgoing travel grants

This FWO grant supports research stays abroad of a 5 weeks to 12 months duration. The grant covers travel expenses and provides a fixed daily allowance.

Postdoctoral candidates can be of any nationality. Other candidates must be citizens of an EU Member State or Switzerland, have obtained their degree in an EU Member State or Switzerland, or have been affiliated in the past to a Flemish university for more than one year. All applicants must currently be affiliated with a Flemish university or research institution.

Applications continuously reviewed.

Further information [here](#).

#### 4.2.3.2 BEWARE Fellowships (incoming mobility)

The BEWARE Fellowships promote the mobility of foreign researchers to Belgium and the relocation of Belgian researchers, the only condition being to have spent less than 12 months over the last three years in Belgium.

**BEWARE FELLOWSHIPS Industry** will grant 57 mandates over 5 years, in order to enable SMEs or accredited research centres to benefit from the expertise of highly qualified foreign researchers (or Belgian expatriates).

**BEWARE FELLOWSHIPS Academia** focuses on technology transfer. These fellowships also run over five years and will fund a total of 80 mandates for...
foreign researchers to perform a research stay in a French-speaking university, in partnership with a Walloon company. Each mandate has a duration of 18 to 36 months, of which 25% must be spent in the company.

Rolling call with several deadlines per year.

Next deadline: 30 November (Industry)

Further information here

4.2.4 Estonia

4.2.4.1 Kristjan Jaak Scholarships

The Kristjan Jaak Scholarship programme supports outgoing mobility, both short and long-term, for master’s and doctoral students as well as for teaching staff. Four categories of grants are proposed:

Applications are accepted in four categories.

- **DOCTORAL STUDY ABROAD** is for students who are starting or continuing studies at the doctoral level at a foreign university and who are prepared to commence employment in Estonia after graduation.

- The **FORMAL STUDIES** grant supports study abroad for one academic year. The grant may be applied for by doctoral students and first-year master’s students.

- The **PART-TIME STUDIES** grant provides assistance for study abroad lasting 1-5 months.

- The grant for **FOREIGN VISITS** provides support for visits abroad lasting 3-21 days. The grant may be applied for by doctoral, master’s students and researchers (35 and under).

Prior or present affiliation to an Estonian institute as well as Estonian language proficiency is required to apply for a scholarship.

Next deadlines: 1 December (Foreign Visits: short term)

Further information here

4.2.4.2 Archimedes Foundation’s short-term visits for doctoral students

The programme, offered by the Archimedes Foundation, supports the short-term study and research activities of visiting PhD students in Estonian universities. The scheme is aimed at making Estonian universities and doctoral studies more international.

Candidates of any nationality but Estonian, engaged in doctoral studies in any field and affiliated with an institution outside of Estonia can apply for visits of duration of 1 to 10 months. The scheme covers a monthly stipend for the whole stay duration as well as a travel allowance.
Deadlines vary for each host institution (Estonian universities and Higher Education institutions)

Further information here

4.2.5 Finland

4.2.5.1 CIMO Fellowships

The CIMO Fellowships programme is open to young doctoral level students and to researchers from all countries and from all academic fields. Master’s level studies or postdoctoral studies/research are not supported by the programme. The primary target group in the CIMO Fellowship programme are doctoral level students who will be doing their doctorate (or double doctorate) at a Finnish university.

There are no annual application deadlines in the CIMO Fellowship programme. However, please note that applications should be submitted at least 5 months before the intended scholarship period. The scholarship period may vary from 3 to 12 months with a monthly allowance of EUR 1,500 to cover living expenses in Finland.

Applications accepted on a rolling basis

Further information here

4.2.5.1 Säätiöiden post doc-pooli — the Foundations’ Post Doc Pool

Säätiöiden post doc-pooli ("the Foundations’ Post Doc Pool") is a grant resource set up by Finnish foundations and intended for postdoctoral research abroad.

The pool grants are intended only for sending researchers abroad from Finland. The pool grants are not intended for subsidizing researchers’ mobility from other countries to Finland.

Two application rounds per year.

Next application round: 15 December 2015 - 15 January 2016

Further information here

4.2.6 France

4.2.6.1 IHÉS Call for Visitor Researchers

The Institut des Hautes Études Scientifiques (IHÉS) encourages theoretical research in mathematics, physics and human sciences methodology. It is a reference point for excellence in the international scientific community, with significant achievements in mathematics and theoretical physics.

Each year, IHÉS welcomes some 200 mathematicians and theoretical physicists from all over the world at the post-doctoral and senior researcher level.
Researchers can stay at IHES for periods ranging from a few days to one year (maximum two in exceptional cases).

IHÉS visitors are given complete freedom in their research, allowing them to change fields if they so desire. IHÉS offers invited researchers a per diem, office space in the scientific building and free accommodation in its nearby housing estate.

The sole criteria for selection is scientific excellence.

**Deadline: 15 November**

Further information [here](#)

### 4.2.6.2 Institut Pasteur International PhD positions

The French research institute for health and disease prevention [Institut Pasteur](#) enrolls PhD students within its 120 laboratories.

Applicants must hold a Master’s degree in a relevant field and have proven English fluency.

Successful applicants are expected to start working in October 2016 at the [Institut](#) for a 3-year period during which they will receive a monthly stipend.

This year the call features 49 offers.

**Deadline: 20 November** (host laboratory must be contacted before 6 November)

Further information [here](#)

### 4.2.6.3 Institut Pasteur – Paris University International Doctoral Programme

The French research institute in Life Sciences and Biomedicine, [Institut Pasteur](#), proposes this programme in partnership with Paris University ([Descartes, UPMC, Diderot](#)).

Applicants should possess a Master’s degree and have fluency in English. Successful students will receive a stipend to cover their living expenses and health insurance during the duration of the contract (three years) and are expected to begin working at the Institute starting in October 2015.

51 different subjects are proposed, for which candidates can apply to by directly contacting the laboratory (the sooner the better).

**Deadline: 20 November**

Further information is available [here](#)
4.2.7 Germany

4.2.7.1 Humboldt Research Fellowships for Postdoctoral and Experienced Researchers

The Humboldt Foundation promotes academic cooperation between excellent scientists and scholars from abroad and Germany. It funds research fellowships for excellent young and experienced researchers of any nationality and any discipline to come for long stays in Germany.

The Fellowships for Postdoctoral Researchers scheme is for researchers with no more than 4 years of experience after their PhD who wish to carry out a research stay in Germany for a period of 6 to 24 months.

The Fellowships for Experienced Researchers scheme is for researchers with between 5 and 12 years of experience after their PhD who wish to have a research stay in Germany for a period of 6 to 18 months.

Successful applicants must have, outside of an outstanding research record, a good command of English.

Applications reviewed on a rolling basis

Further information here (Postdoctoral) and here (Experienced Researchers)

4.2.7.2 Emmy Noether Programme

The Emmy Noether Programme provides early career foreign researchers (or German researchers working abroad) with the opportunity to rapidly qualify for a leading position in research by leading an independent junior research group and assuming relevant teaching duties in Germany.

Early career researchers from all disciplines and nationalities may apply.

Applicants must have at least 2 years of postdoctoral experience, but no more than 4 years of experience after completion of their PhD degree. Foreign applicants are expected to continue their scientific career in Germany following completion of the funding period of 5 or 6 years.

Applications reviewed continuously.

Further information here

4.2.7.3 DLR-DAAD Research Fellowships in the fields of Space, Aeronautics, Energy and Transportation Research

DLR – DAAD Research Fellowships is a new programme implemented by the German Aerospace Centre (DLR) and the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD).

This special programme is intended for highly-qualified foreign doctoral and postdoctoral students, as well as senior scientists. Proof of English proficiency is necessary, while knowledge of German is a plus.

DLR-DAAD Fellowships are defined and awarded on an individual basis. Each fellowship announcement will indicate the specific qualification requirements
and terms of the visit. There are currently fellowship offers available in Space, Aeronautics, Energy and Transportation. Application deadline varies according to the call.

List of open calls [here](#)

Further information [here](#)

4.2.7.4 Friedrich Wilhelm Bessel Research Awards

Scientists and scholars, internationally renowned in their field, who completed their doctorates less than 18 years ago and who in the future are expected to continue producing cutting-edge achievements which will have a seminal influence on their discipline beyond their immediate field of work, are eligible to be nominated for a Friedrich Wilhelm Bessel Research Award.

Direct applications are not accepted. The award is currently valued at EUR 45,000. Award winners are invited to spend a period of up to one year cooperating in a long-term research project with specialist colleagues at a research institution in Germany. The stay may be divided up into blocks.

The Humboldt Foundation grants about 20 Friedrich Wilhelm Bessel Research Awards annually.

Rolling call for applications with two reviews panels per year.

Next review: Autumn

Further information [here](#)

4.2.7.1 PhD Programmes at the International Max Planck Research Schools

The Max Planck Institutes and German universities jointly run the International Max Planck Research Schools (IMPRS). There are 60 IMPRS covering all disciplines: 26 in the Chemistry, Physics and Technology Section, 23 in the Biology and Medicine Section, and 11 in the Human and Social Sciences Section.

The PhD programmes are open to applicants from any country holding a Master’s degree in a relevant field. Proof of English proficiency is a plus, but is not mandatory.

[Deadlines vary from a school to another: September - November](#)

Further information [here](#)

4.2.8 Ireland

4.2.8.1 President of Ireland Young Researcher Award

The President of Ireland Young Researcher Award is Science Foundation Ireland’s (SFI) most prestigious award to recruit and retain early career researchers to carry out their research in Ireland.
The award recognises outstanding engineers and scientists of any nationality who, early in their careers, have already demonstrated exceptional potential for leadership at the frontiers of knowledge. Awardees will be selected on the basis of exceptional accomplishments in science and engineering in all areas covered by SFI’s legal remit in order to perform their research project in Ireland.

Applicants should have received their last degree less than eight years ago and have completed at least 36 months of postdoctoral research activity. All applications must be submitted by an eligible Irish Research Body.

Research projects may last up to five years and receive up to EUR 1 million in total.

Applications accepted on a rolling basis.

Further information here.

**4.2.8.2 SFI’s Research Professorship Programme**

The purpose of the Research Professorship Programme is to recruit global research talent to Ireland to build the national research base. The ambitions of the appointed SFI Research Professor will be consistent with the strategic plans of the host research body.

Submission of proposals will be by invitation only following an expression of interest phase during which SFI will work closely with the research body. Funding of up to EUR 5 million (does not cover the professor’s salary) will be provided to each successful applicant for a five-year programme of work.

Applications accepted on a rolling basis.

Further information here.

**4.2.8.3 SFI Industry Fellowship Programme 2015**

The purpose of the Science Foundation Ireland (SFI) Industry Fellowship Programme is to facilitate exchanges between academia and industry worldwide.

Fellowships can last from 1 to 12 months if full-time or up to 24 months if part-time. The maximum Industry Fellowship award amount is EUR 120,000 direct costs.

Fellowships can be awarded to Irish academic researchers wishing to spend time in industry worldwide and to individuals from industry anywhere in the world wishing to spend time in an eligible Irish Research Body.

Two deadlines per year.

**Next deadline: 3 December**

Further information here.
4.2.9 Israel

4.2.9.1 Israel Government Scholarships for Foreign Students

The Government of Israel offers long-term scholarships to foreign students. These scholarships are granted for a period of a maximum 8 months (one academic year). Students may apply to various programmes such as (non-exhaustive):

- **Post Doctorate Programme**: Students will need to present a research plan and an acceptance letter from an Israeli supervisor at one of the Israeli universities;
- **Research programme**: Students may create their own research programme under the supervision of an Israeli supervisor from one of the Israeli universities.
- **Special Programmes**: Some Israeli universities offer special postgraduate programs in English.

The applicants should hold a BA or BSc degree (or higher) and have a good record of academic achievement; applicants should show proof of English or Hebrew language proficiency.

**Deadline: 11 December**

Further information [here](#) (English) and [here](#) (Japanese)

4.2.10 Luxembourg

4.2.10.1 ATTRACT 2015 Call for Proposals

The ATTRACT programme is funded by Luxembourg’s National Research Fund (FNR). It aims to support Luxembourgish research institutions in expanding their competences in strategic research areas by attracting outstanding young researchers.

The programme is designed for foreign researchers not yet established in Luxembourg. It offers them the opportunity to set up an independent research team within a public-sector research institution.

Research proposals should be submitted jointly by the candidate and the host institution. Applicants must have 2 to 8 years of research experience after completion of their PhD.

Selected projects may have a lifespan of five years and receive up to EUR 1.5 million or EUR 2.0 million for the “Starting Investigators” or “Consolidating Investigators” respectively.

**Deadline: 15 January 2016**

Further information [here](#)
4.2.11 Netherlands

4.2.11.1 NWO Visitor’s Travel Grant

The aim of this grant, provided by the Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO), is to facilitate cooperation between Dutch and foreign researchers.

Researchers with a tenured position at one of the Dutch universities, KNAW institutes, NWO institutes, NKI, MPI Nijmegen, researchers from the Dubble Beamline at the ESRF in Grenoble, NCB Naturalis, and the Advanced Research Centre for NanoLithography (ARCNL) can apply for a visitor’s grant. With this grant, highly qualified senior researchers from abroad who hold a PhD can stay in the Netherlands for a maximum of four months.

Applications reviewed continuously

Further information here

4.2.11.2 KNAW Visiting Professors Programme

The Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW) funds its Visiting Professors Programme in order to enable outstanding foreign researchers from any discipline to spend time working in the Netherlands.

The programme covers a research budget and the Visiting Professor’s travel and accommodation expenses for a maximum period of one year. The applicant must find a Dutch university to act as his/her host organisation.

Deadline: 2 November

Further information here

4.2.11.1 Rubicon Programme

Rubicon aims to encourage talented researchers at Dutch universities and research institutes run by KNAW and the Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO) to dedicate themselves to a career in postdoctoral research.

Applicants holding a PhD can apply for a period of up to two years at an excellent research institution outside the Netherlands. The minimum duration is twelve months. The eligible costs are salary including fringe benefits, travel costs and a limited amount of research costs.

Three calls per year.

Next deadline: 1 December

Further information here

4.2.12 Norway

4.2.12.1 RCN’s Personal Visiting Researcher Grant

The Research Council of Norway (RCN) funds this grant, the objective of which is to help strengthen Norwegian research groups by offering visiting foreign researchers (postdoctorate level or higher) the opportunity to
perform research in Norway. The grant may cover stays for visiting researchers from one to 12 months. The applicant must be from a Norwegian research institution.

Rolling application call with several reviews per year.

Further information [here](#)

### 4.2.13 Poland

#### 4.2.13.1 IDEAS For Poland

The objective of this programme is to encourage young, brilliant researchers from around the world to choose Poland as the place to carry out research projects successfully funded by the ERC Starting Grant scheme. The programme is designed for people whose previous scientific record demonstrates that they are highly independent as researchers, and warrants that they will conduct world-class quality research.

Subsidies can be granted directly after winning an ERC grant and during the project. The maximum subsidised period is 3 years.

Applications accepted on a rolling basis

Further information [here](#)

#### 4.2.13.2 POLONEZ postdoctoral fellowships

POLONEZ is a National Science Centre (NCN) funding programme addressed to incoming researchers of any nationality and discipline interested in doing research at Polish research institutions.

Candidates with a PhD degree or at least four years of full-time equivalent research experience may apply.

Fellowships will fund stays of 12 to 24 months in Poland, including researcher salary, mobility allowance and part of the research costs.

**Deadline: 15 December**

Further information [here](#)

### 4.2.14 Sweden

#### 4.2.14.1 STINT Initiation Grants

The Swedish Foundation for International Cooperation in Research and Higher Education (STINT) offers Initiation Grants for the implementation of short-term projects targeting the building of new and strategically interesting international relationships.

Candidates shall be active at a university in Sweden and have defended their doctorates. The principal collaborating party shall be outside the EU/EFTA area. The proposed activities within the project shall be completed
within twelve months from the closing date of the call and the applied for amount shall not exceed SEK 150,000 (EUR 15,750).

Applications accepted on a rolling basis.

Further information here

4.2.1 Switzerland

4.2.1.1 SNSF International Short Visits

This scheme is aimed at researchers in Switzerland who wish to go abroad for a short period or researchers abroad who wish to collaborate with researchers in Switzerland. During the visit, they will pursue a small joint research project.

Short visits may last from one week to three months. There are no geographical and topical restrictions. The grants include travel, room and board expenses.

Both host and guest researchers must contribute to the application documents but submission must be performed by the researcher affiliated with Switzerland.

Applications continuously reviewed

Further information here

4.2.2 Turkey

4.2.2.1 TÜBİTAK Fellowships for Visiting Scientists

The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK) grants fellowships for international scientists/researchers who would like to give workshops/conferences/lectures, or conduct R&D activities in Turkey.

Three types of visits are granted within this programme: Short-term (up to 1 month), Long-term (up to 12 months) and Sabbatical Leave (from 3 months to 12 months). All types of grants cover monthly stipend and travel costs.

Applications accepted on a rolling basis

Further information here

4.2.3 United Kingdom

4.2.3.1 BBSRC Japan Partnering Awards

These awards aim at supporting the set up of partnership links between UK and Japanese laboratories, at promoting the exchange of researchers (particularly in their early career) and at promoting access to facilities.

Typically they amount to GBP 50,000 (EUR 62,500) which may be used over a 4-year period for travel, subsistence and workshops or exchange activities.
Further funding may be obtained either through JST or JSPS for the Japanese counterparts of the partnerships.

**Deadline: 12 November**

Further information [here](#).

### 4.2.3.2 Chevening Scholarships in Japan

The [Chevening Scholarships](#) are the UK government’s global scholarship programme. They provide funding for a one-year master’s degree in any subject and at a UK university.

Applying to a partnership may grant Japanese students the right to pick one of the UK universities participating in the programme. Scholarships and partnerships cover tuition fees, travel expenses and provide a monthly stipend.

Applicants must have a relevant undergraduate degree and should meet the Chevening’s [language requirements](#) for English proficiency.

**Deadline: 3 November**

Further information [here](#).

### 4.2.3.3 Sasakawa Foundation Butterfield Awards call for proposal

The [Sasakawa Foundation Butterfield Awards](#) are intended to encourage and facilitate exploratory exchanges and collaborations between Japan and the UK in any of the scientific, clinical, social and economic aspects of medicine and health.

Preference will be given to proposals involving new collaborations, and applications from early stage researchers are particularly welcomed.

A few awards of a maximum amount of GBP 5,000 (EUR 6,250) are offered annually.

**Deadline: 15 December**

Further information [here](#).

### 4.2.3.4 Gates Cambridge Scholarships

The [Gates Cambridge Scholarships](#) are highly competitive, full-cost scholarships. They are awarded to outstanding applicants from countries outside the UK to pursue a full-time postgraduate degree in any subject available at the University of Cambridge.

Candidates can apply for a one-year post-graduate course, a full 2-year master course or a 3-year PhD course.

55 Scholarships are awarded each year.

**Deadline: 2 December**

Further information [here](#).
4.3 Japan

4.3.1 JSPS Fellowships Programmes for Research in Japan

The Japanese Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS) carries out programmes which provide overseas researchers who have an excellent record of research achievements with an opportunity to conduct postdoctoral studies, collaborative research, and short research stays in Japan.

Researchers from all countries with diplomatic relations with Japan and of any field of study are eligible.

Applications must be submitted by the inviting researchers who wish to host foreign researchers in Japan, either directly through JSPS (see here) or through an overseas nominating authority (France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway and Sweden: see list here). Various fellowship categories are provided:

- Standard postdoctoral fellowships are of a duration of 1 to 2 years.
- Short-term postdoctoral fellowships are of a duration of 1 to 12 months.
- Pathway postdoctoral fellowships are for 1-2 years and should be followed by a sustainable implantation of the researcher in Japan.
- Invitation fellowships are for research stays of a duration of 2-10 months (Long-term), 14-60 days (Short-term), 7-30 days (Short-term S).

Approximately 320 postdoctoral fellowships and 290 invitation fellowships should be awarded for JFY2016 through two to four calls.

Next application rounds:

- Postdoctoral fellowships: 26 April - 6 May 2016 (Standard)
  4-8 January 2016 (Short-term)
- Invitation fellowships: 26 April - 6 May 2016
  (Short-term and Short-term S)

Further information here (pdf)

4.3.2 JSPS Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research “Kakenhi”

“Kakenhi” Grants-in-Aid are awarded to promote creative and pioneering research across a wide spectrum of scientific fields, ranging from the humanities and social sciences to the natural sciences.

Grants are awarded to projects organised by individual researchers, research groups at Japanese universities or research institutes engaged
in basic research, particularly research in critical fields attuned to advanced research trends.

These grants are divided into several categories with different intents which fund projects for periods between 1 and 6 years with yearly allowances between JPY 1 million and JPY 500 million (EUR 7,000 to 3.7 million) depending on the scale, the level of scientific advancement and the international counterpart of each project. More information on the different types of grants can be found here.

Foreign researchers with an employment contract running at a Japanese research institution can apply.

**Deadline: 9 November (PI), 6 October (Institution)**

Further information here (English translation) and here (Japanese original and application documents)

### 4.3.3 JSPS London Call for the Pre/Post-doctoral Fellowship for Foreign Researchers

This Programme provides the opportunity for short-term visits for pre- and post-doctoral UK researchers and researchers from Europe and North America based in the UK to conduct cooperative research with leading research groups at Japanese Universities and Institutions.

The Programme is designed to provide researchers with first-hand experience of the research and living environment in Japan, whilst expanding academic exchange between Japan and the United Kingdom.

Researchers from all fields of sciences including humanities and social sciences are eligible to apply. Awards will cover visits of 1 to 12 months.

**Deadline: 1 December**

Further information [here](#)

### 4.3.1 JSPS Summer Programme 2015: Call for Applications in the UK, France, Germany and Sweden

The JSPS Summer Programme is offered to young pre- and postdoctoral researchers from the US, the UK, France, Germany, Canada and Sweden.

Held over a 2 month period in the summer, it provides the participants with an orientation in the Japanese language, culture, and an opportunity to do cooperative research at a Japanese university or research institute.

Applications are to be submitted through nominating authorities in each country participating in the programme. Applicants should be either nationals from a country participating in the programme or affiliated with a university or a research institution of a country participating to the programme.
The fellowship covers return international airfare, a maintenance allowance, research support allowance (JPY 158,500) and overseas insurance policy. The stays have to take place between 9 June and 19 August.

**Deadlines:**
- 30 November 2015 (France)
- January 2016 (UK, Germany)
- 3 February 2016 (Sweden)

Further information: [here](#) (France), [here](#) (UK), [here](#) (Germany) and [here](#) (Sweden)

### 4.3.2 NICT's invitations to foreign researchers

In order to support research in the area of telecommunications, the National Institute of Information and Communications Technology (NICT) proposes each year a small number of grants covering travel and stay expenses for foreign researchers to come to Japan for short trips, courses or workshops.

Any Japanese institution performing research and/or activities in telecommunications can apply. Subjects of invitation can be researchers of any level (even PhD students), the sole criteria for selection being excellence.

**Deadline: 2 November**

Further information [here](#) (Japanese only)

### 4.3.3 Osaka University IPR: Call for International Collaborative Research

The Institute for Protein Research (IPR), Osaka University, invites applications for international collaborative research projects.

Research projects should be conducted in the form of a collaboration, including at least one of the principal investigators at IPR or should at least state the necessity of the use of particular experimental facilities at IPR.

Up to 10 projects will be selected and awarded up to JPY 400,000 (EUR 2,900) for short stays between April 2016 and March 2017.

**Deadline: 1 December**

Further information [here](#)
5 Jobs

5.1 EURAXESS Jobs

There are currently 6851 jobs and fellowships advertised on the EURAXESS Jobs webpage. They can be viewed by country, level of seniority, field of research or via free text searches. Please note that these jobs also include doctoral fellowships.

All the positions can be viewed at the EURAXESS Jobs page.

You can also advertise for jobs and fellowships at your organisation, free of charge, on the EURAXESS Links Japan website!

Research organisations (public and private) can upload their job vacancies located in Japan.

5.2 Jobs in Europe (selection)

5.2.1 PhD candidate / Postdoctoral position at Åbo Akademi University, Finland

The Åbo Akademi University invites applications for a fixed-term contract as a doctoral student for the period of March 2016 - February 2019 or as postdoctoral researcher for the period of April 2016 - February 2018 in the frame of the research project “Health information behaviour in the context of e-health: the effect of a neglected element in a successful implementation of consumer focused health technologies for older adults”.

Candidates to the PhD position should have a Master’s degree in a relevant field, candidates to the postdoctoral position should have a PhD degree or equivalent experience in research.

Application deadline: 10 November

Further information: EURAXESS Jobs
5.2.2 ERC Postdoctoral position at Centre for Social Studies, University of Coimbra, Portugal

The Centre for Social Studies (CES), University of Coimbra (Portugal), is looking for 1 postdoctoral researcher in the project “MEMOIRS-Children of Empires and European Postmemories”.

Through a comparative analysis of the cultures influenced by the postmemory of the colonial wars and the end of empire, Europe’s postcolonial heritage will be reinterrogated, and a new understanding of the contemporary continent will be developed.

Successful candidates will work full-time at CES for a duration of 1 year starting January 2016.

Candidates should hold a PhD degree in history, relevant research and training experience.

Application deadline: 20 November

Further information: EURAXESS Jobs

5.2.3 MSCA Postdoctoral position, Cyprus University of Technology

The Cyprus University of Technology, Cyprus has an opening for a full time Marie Curie Research Fellow Position within the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering and Informatics in the field of 3D Reconstruction and Computer Vision in Cultural Heritage.

The Marie Curie Fellow will work within the 4D-CH-World Marie Curie IAPP Programme.

Candidates of any nationality, holding a PhD degree in a relevant field and with no more than 4 years of full-time research experience may apply.

The successful candidate will be employed full time on a 3 year contract.

Application deadline: 16 November

Further information: EURAXESS Jobs

5.2.4 Other jobs in Europe

Find a wealth of career links on our EURAXESS Links Japan web portal!

Some links to useful sources of general information and careers information are provided below.
5.3 Jobs in Japan

5.3.1 JREC-IN

The Japanese job portal for researchers JREC-IN is currently advertising 2,394 positions in Japanese, and 277 positions in English.

All positions can be viewed at the JREC-IN portal in English or in Japanese.

5.3.2 Postdoctoral position at WPI I2CNER (Kyushu University)

The WPI I2CNER wishes to appoint a post-doctoral researcher who focuses on (1) seismic data analysis and interpretation or (2) reservoir fluid flow simulation (or porous flow simulation) in the SIP project "Next generation research technology of submarine resources".

This project investigates geological structures using offshore seismic data and applies reservoir simulation in order to reveal subsea floor fluid circulation system.

Candidates, of any nationality, must have a PhD degree in a relevant field.

Application deadline: 11 December

Further information here

5.3.3 Project researchers positions at WPI IMPU (Tokyo University)

The Kavli IPMU invites applications to several project researcher positions in observational cosmological physics with a focus on a spaceborne observation of the B mode polarisation of the Cosmic Microwave Background Radiation.

This project will revolve around the LiteBIRD mission as a strategic large space science mission to be launched in early 2020’s.

Candidates, of any nationality, must have a PhD degree in a relevant field.

Application deadline: 4 December

Further information here

5.3.4 Still open positions (see previous newsletters)

- Postdoctoral positions at WPI ItbM (Nagoya University)
  Further information here

- Postdoctoral positions at WPI iCeMS (Kyoto University)
  Further information here and here
- Postdoctoral position at WPI MANA (NIMS)
  Further information [here](#)

- Faculty and postdoctoral positions at WPI I2CNER (Kyushu University)
  Further information [here](#)

### 5.3.5 Other jobs in Japan

Find a number of career links on our [EURAXESS Links Japan web portal](#)!
6 Events

6.1 Events in Europe

6.1.1 Experience Japan Exhibition 2015

An introduction to study and work opportunities in Japan!

The Experience Japan Exhibition will be bringing information on the various exciting opportunities for study and work in Japan to a UK audience. The event, which is hosted by Keio University, co-hosted by the British Council, and supported by JSPS and other funding bodies, will allow participants to meet representatives of Japanese universities and other organisations and to hear from people with experience of study and work in Japan in a number of seminars held throughout the afternoon.

Date and place: 14 November, London. UK

Further information and registration here

Non-exhaustive list of scientific or research-related events in Europe.

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6.2 Events in Japan

6.2.1 European Union at Science Agora

The European Union has worked with its Member States and Japanese partners to put on a number of truly exciting events at this year's Science Agora organised by the Japan Science and Technology Agency.

The European booth, named Europe Light House, introduces research on light, accompanied by a stage session on the subject.

The European Agora Keynote Session tackles the topic of Cyber Societies of the Future.

A third session will look at how public research may shape future societies.

Date: 13-15 November
Venue: Miraikan and other areas in Odaiba, Tokyo

Further information here

6.2.2 French Research Day 2015 - JFR 2015 | Call for communications

Sciencescope, with the support of institutional partners including the Maison Franco-Japonaise de Tokyo (MFJ), the Embassy of France in Japan, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS), the Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCIFJ), as well as Alumni associations such as ABSCIF and ABC, is organising the French Research Day (JFR) in Japan.

JFR'15 is gathering French-speaking researchers and students in Japan from all disciplines and citizenships in order to encourage discussions amongst this research community.

The main language of the event is French, but English presentations are possible for non-native French speakers.

Attendance is free and open to all, but registration is mandatory for planning purposes. Registration includes the JFR booklet, lunch and evening cocktail at MFJ.

Date: 13 November
Venue: Tokyo, MFJ

Registration (until 12 November) and further information here
### 6.2.3 Other events in Japan

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Please feel free to contact us at [japan@euraxess.net](mailto:japan@euraxess.net) if you want your event to be on the list!
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EURAXESS Links Japan provides information about research in Europe, European research policy, opportunities for research funding, for EU-Japan and international collaboration and for trans-national mobility.

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