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What we do?

- Main **funder** of research activities in Luxembourg.
- Manage **public funds** for research projects with increased emphasis on selected **core strategic areas**
- Promote **scientific culture** and to raise **public awareness** for research and science
- Advise the Luxembourg government on **research policy and strategy**

Vision

- To establish Luxembourg as a **leading knowledge-based society through science, research** and innovation, thereby contributing to the country's economic diversification and future prosperity.

Mission

- To set up a **sustainable world-class research system** in Luxembourg that will generate societal and economic impact in key strategic areas.

Key Values

- **Excellence and quality** in research. The FNR systematically submits funding proposals to an **evaluation by independent scientific experts** and applies the highest standards of **scientific merit, transparency, impartiality, confidentiality and integrity**.

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FNR Funding Schemes

Information on open calls are published on the FNR website

www.fnr.lu/funding-instruments

- Keep yourself updated by registering to FNR info on our website
- Each funding scheme has its own requirements, specificities and deadlines
- Use them strategically

The screenshot shows the website header with the Luxembourg National Research Fund logo and a search bar. A navigation menu includes 'ABOUT US', 'FUNDING', 'INNOVATION & INDUSTRY PARTNERSHIPS', 'INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION', 'SCIENCE IN SOCIETY', and 'NEWS, EVENTS & PUBLICATIONS'. The 'FUNDING' section is highlighted with a teal banner. Below the banner, there is a call to action: 'STAY UP TO DATE WITH NEW FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES' and a 'Subscribe to our mailing list' button. At the bottom, there are filter options for 'Funding type' and 'Career Stage'.

FNR Funding Schemes

Funding by career stage

		PHD	POSTDOC & JUNIOR	ESTABLISHED	LEADING
PROJECT FUNDING	Multi-annual thematic project funding		CORE Junior	CORE	
	Multi-annual project funding			OPEN	
	Funding for international research collaborations			INTER	
PEOPLE FUNDING	Grants to establish research groups in Luxembourg		ATTRACT Starting	ATTRACT Consolidator	
	Grants to establish research groups in Luxembourg				PEARL
	Research stays in Luxembourg & abroad			INTER MOBILITY	
	PhD grants in Luxembourg and abroad	AFR Individual & Bilateral			
PHD GRANTS	Block PhD grants	PRIDE			
	PhD & Postdoc grants for collaborations with industry	INDUSTRIAL FELLOWSHIPS			
INNOVATION & KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER SUPPORT	Block PhD & Postdoc grants for research collaborations with industry	IPBG			
	Public-private research collaborations		BRIDGES		
	Support for commercialisation of research results		JUMP (Pathfinder & Proof of Concept)		
	Support for knowledge & innovation transfer			KITS	
	Support for open access publishing of research results	OPEN ACCESS FUND			
SCIENCE & RESEARCH COMMUNICATION SUPPORT	Support for research communication			RESCOM	
	Support for promoting science to the public	PSP (Classic & Flagship)			

ATTRACT

Funding to **attract outstanding researchers** with high potential in strategic research areas in order to set up a research group in Luxembourg

Researchers are eligible between 2 and 8 years after their PhD, they must have an outstanding track record in their field which has to fit strategically to the research agenda of the Luxembourg host institution.

- **ATTRACT Starting Investigators**
- **ATTRACT Consolidating**
- Project duration: up to 5 years
- 1 call per year:
- Budget in 2020-1: up to 1,5 MEUR for ‘Starting Investigators’ or 2 MEUR for ‘Consolidating Investigators’;

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AFR Individual

Individual candidates to apply for PhD training in high quality research environments

- For PhD candidates in Luxembourg and abroad
- 1 call in 2021: Deadline spring 2021
- Budget in 2020: +/- 25 grants

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Industrial Fellowships

Supports research collaborations between public **research institutions** and **Luxembourg based companies** through **PhD and postdoc training**

- PhD or postdoc candidates jointly submit their application with a public research institution and a company
- The Industrial Fellowship scheme has two strands:
 - Projects carried out in Luxembourg (IN): More than 50% of research time is spent in Luxembourg, under an employment contract.
 - Projects carried out abroad (OUT): More than 50% of research time is spent outside Luxembourg, under an employment contract, but at least 25% of the work has to be spent at the company in Luxembourg.

Industrial Fellowships is open to all scientific domains.

- Co-funding by the company is required
- **2 calls in 2020: Deadlines 17 April 2020 and 16 October 2020**

Dr Richard Nakath

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CORE (domain Material Sciences)

Public-Private Collaborations (BRIDGES, Industrial Fellowships)

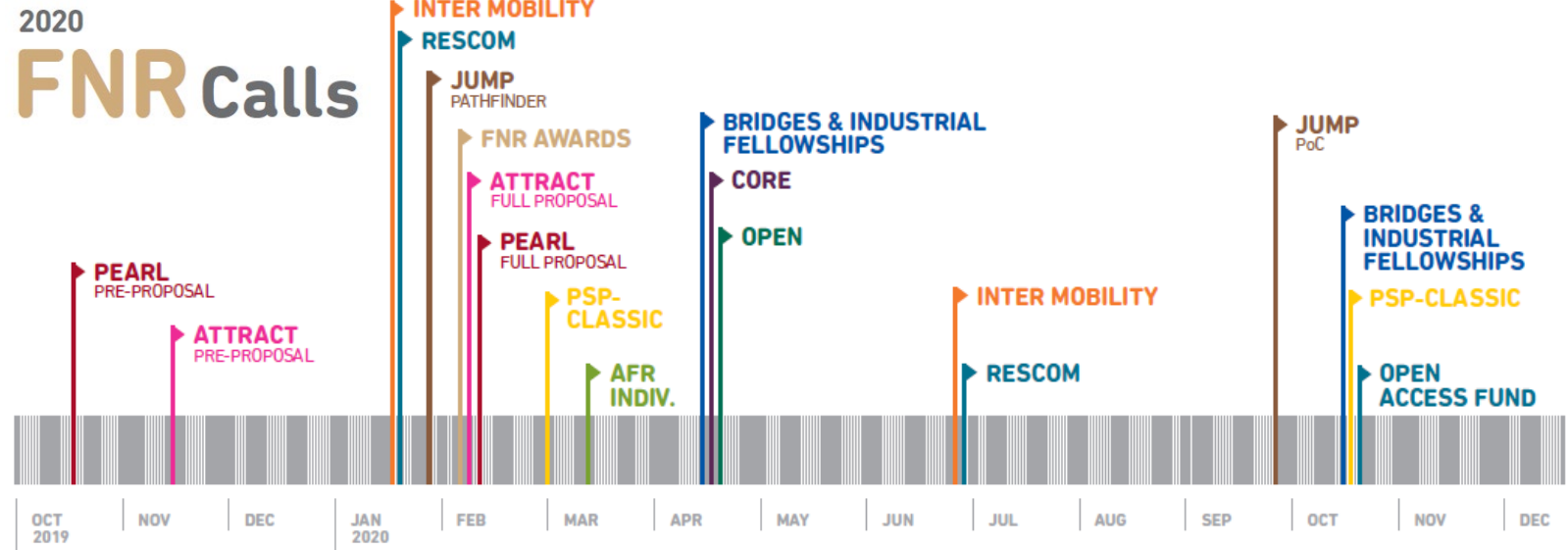
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International collaboration

Co-funding of international research collaborations and networking activities between researchers in Luxembourg and abroad

AIM

- Foster **international collaboration** and **support excellence in research**
- Increase **international visibility** of Luxembourg research
- Possibility to address research questions / challenges at a larger scale

Programmes

- **Project funding** in the framework of **bilateral or multilateral collaborations** built on joint research activities
- **Mobility** scheme for experienced researchers
- **AFR Bilateral**: Specific calls for PhD and Postdoc Grants with selected partners

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Funding possibilities for excellent joint research projects

FNR bilateral

18 bilateral collaboration agreements with **13** countries worldwide

<https://www.fnr.lu/internation-cooperation-opportunities/>

ANR AGENCE NATIONALE DE LA RECHERCHE	BELSP0 BELGIAN FEDERAL SCIENCE POLICY OFFICE CALL OPEN!	BMBF GERMAN MINISTRY FOR EDUCATION AND RESEARCH	CNRS CENTRE NATIONAL DE LA RECHERCHE SCIENTIFIQUE CALL OPEN!
DFG DEUTSCHE FORSCHUNGS GEMEINSCHAFT CALL OPEN!	EMBL (CORE BILATERAL) EUROPEAN MOLECULAR BIOLOGY LABORATORY CALL OPEN!	F.R.S. – FNRS FONDS DE LA RECHERCHE SCIENTIFIQUE	FCT (CORE BILATERAL) PORTUGUESE FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
FULBRIGHT AWARDS PROGRAMME RESEARCH VISITS TO US INSTITUTIONS	FWF DER WISSENSCHAFTSFONDS CALL OPEN!	FWO FONDS WETENSCHAPPELIJK ONDERZOEK CALL OPEN!	NASA-AMES RESEARCH CENTER AFR BILATERAL CALL OPEN!
NCBR (CORE BILATERAL) NARODOWE CENTRUM BADAN I ROZWOJU CALL OPEN!	NRF NATIONAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION SINGAPORE	NSF NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION CALL OPEN!	NWO / ZON MW NETHERLANDS ORGANISATION FOR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH / HEALTH RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CALL OPEN!
RCN (FRIPRO) RESEARCH COUNCIL OF NORWAY	RIKEN AFR BILATERAL	SINGAPORE AFR BILATERAL	SNF SCHWEIZERISCHER NATIONALFONDS CALL OPEN!
UKRI (RCUK) UK RESEARCH AND INNOVATION CALL OPEN!			

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FNR multilateral

partner in **12 international research networks** offering research opportunities in over **35 countries** for researchers based in Luxembourg

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Luxembourg is reinventing itself – again. Once a leading steel producer and later a global financial centre, Luxembourg is now also an international academic hub fostering research and innovation. This nation's research landscape, sustained by robust state funding and public support, makes it an attractive place to excel.

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