

Implementing the Human Resources Strategy for Researchers

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Managing Researchers' Talents, Skills & Career Development

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Was is der Fall?
(What is the case?)

Und was steckt dahinter?
(What is behind it?)

Die Welt is alles, was der Fall
ist?

The world is all that is the case

Tractatus Logico Philosophicus

Ludwig Wittgenstein



Eamon Devalera



Dublin Institute for Advanced
Studies (DIAS).



DIAS

What is Life?

Erwin Schrödinger



**Schrödinger
at 75** _____

THE FUTURE OF BIOLOGY



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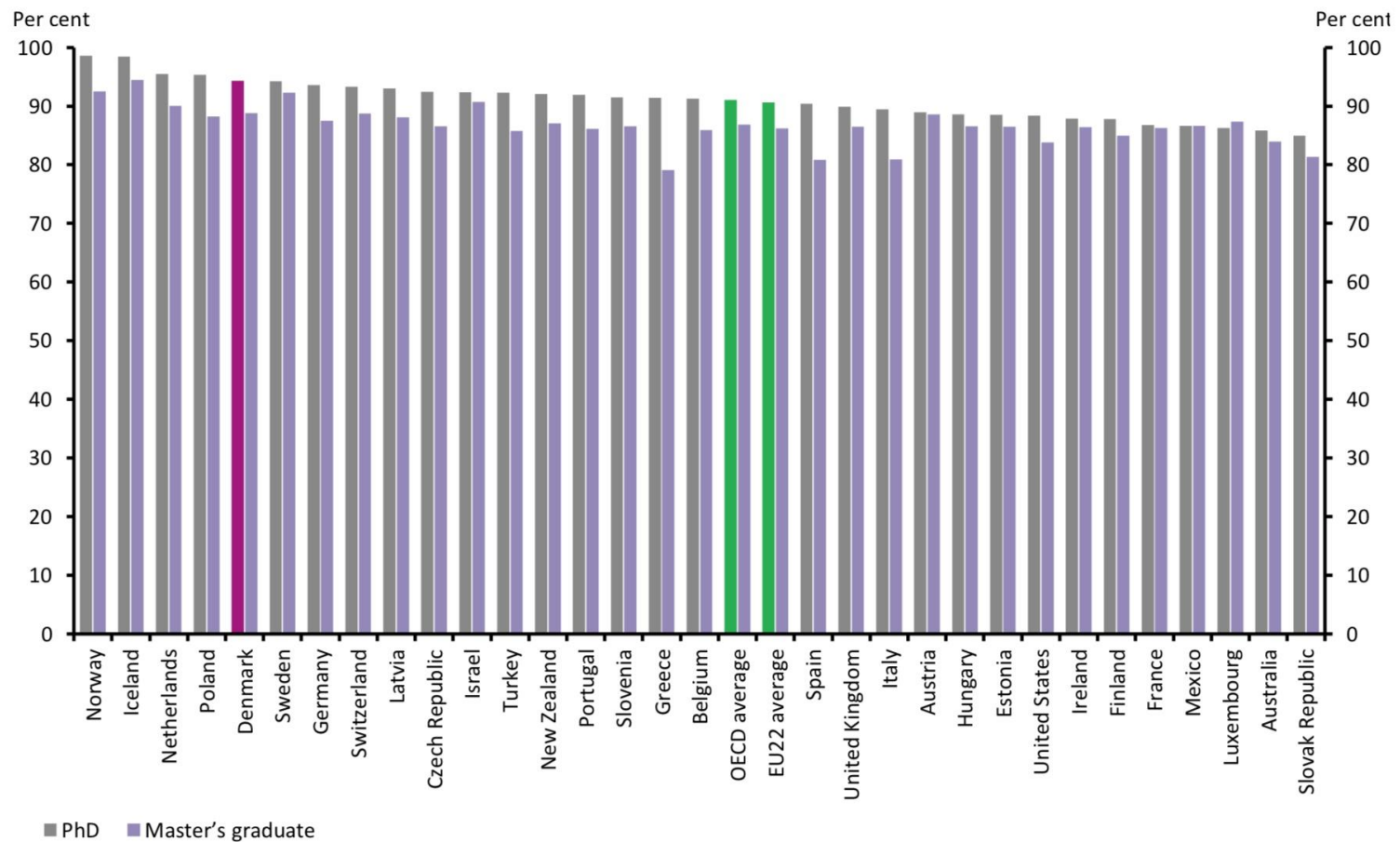
The poster features a black and white portrait of Erwin Schrödinger on the left, partially obscured by white diagonal lines. The background of the poster is a faded image of a large, classical building with many windows.

Excellence vs Mediocrity?

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Researchers Mobility Triple-i

Employment Rates of PhD Graduates



Note: Employment is stated as the proportion of people employed in the age group 25-64 years based on the total population in that age group. The countries have been sorted according to the employment rate for PhD graduates. The graph only includes countries that have stated the employment rate for PhD graduates.

Source: Education at a Glance 2016: OECD Indicators, Indicator A5. Table A5.1.

PhD training in the EU28



- Doctoral school
- Supervisory committee
- Single researcher

Share of researchers receiving training in transferable skills during PhD

33%

81%

Share of researchers finding transferable skills training important

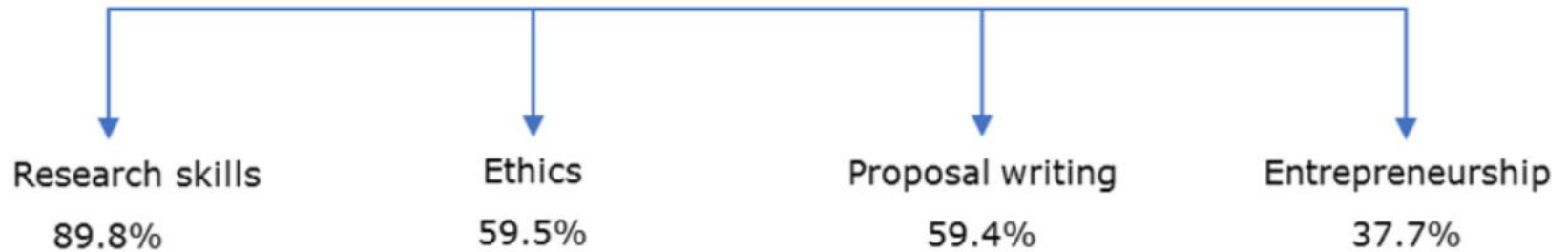
3 supervision structures



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Transferable skills

Share of researchers receiving training in transferable skills during PhD: **32.6%**



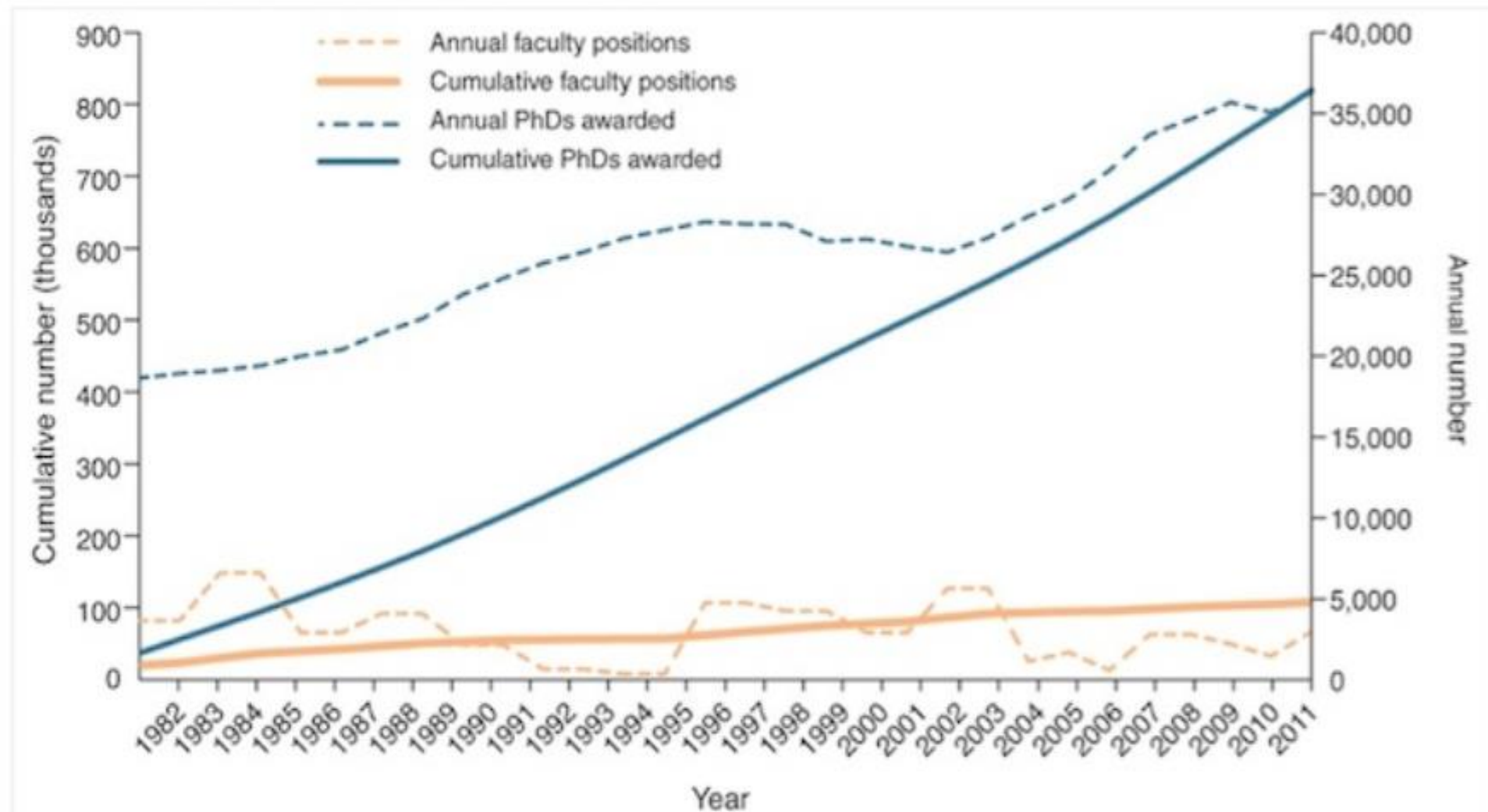
Demographics career stages

| | R1 | R2 | R3 | R4 |
|---|----------------|------|------|------|
| Average duration before moving to next career stage | 4.7 years | 5.0 | 7.4 | |
| Average age of researchers in this career stage | 35.8 years old | 40.7 | 46.7 | 55.6 |

The missing piece to changing the university culture

Maximiliaan Schillebeeckx, Brett Maricque & Cory Lewis

Nature Biotechnology 31, 938–941 (2013) | doi:10.1038/nbt.2706



Since 1982, almost 800,000 PhDs were awarded in science and engineering (S&E) fields, whereas only about 100,000 academic faculty positions were created in those fields within the same time frame. The number of S&E PhDs awarded annually has also increased over this time frame, from ~19,000 in 1982 to ~36,000 in 2011. The number of faculty positions created each year, however, has not changed, with roughly 3,000 new positions created annually^{2, 10}.

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Modernise all marine graduate training programmes;

Develop training content by engaging the wider marine community across academia, government (policy & funding) and industry;

Maximise recruitment of students and professionals to take an interest in marine graduate training and blue careers;

Advance the European Higher Education Area for marine science and technology – structuring the landscape;

Deliver relevant policy support initiatives to address the gap between marine graduate training and Blue Growth;

Establish long-term, flexible funding instruments and national and EU level to support innovative marine training.



Training the 21st Century Marine Professional

A new vision for marine graduate education and training programmes in Europe

Thank

You

