



European Funding Opportunities for Students, Postdocs and Researchers of All Nationalities

You are cordially invited to a EURAXESS Links North America Information Session co-organized by the University of California San Diego (UCSD) – Project supported by the Lifelong Learning Program of the EU through the Jean Monnet Chair and the German American Chamber of Commerce of California

Monday, December 14, 2015

12:00 PM to 1:30 PM

Lunch will be provided

Social Sciences Building (SSB) 107

University of California San Diego (UCSD)

(The building is located at the end of Thurgood Marshall Ln. Best parking is the Pangea structure or the parking structure of Voigt Lane. [Map](#))

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PROGRAM

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| 12:00pm - 12:20pm | EURAXESS – Researchers in Motion initiative (overview of the 4 pillars: Jobs, Services, Rights and Links) |
| 12:20pm - 12:50pm | Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) (opportunities mainly for undergraduate and graduate students & US institutions to host a fellow) |
| 12:50pm - 1:20pm | European Research Council (ERC) Grants (opportunities mainly for postdocs and more experienced researchers) |
| 1:20pm – 1:30pm | Q&A |

The mobility of researchers constitutes a crucial element in the realisation of the European Research Area (ERA). Several models for mobility formats are used in Europe (at national and European levels), covering a large scale and scope, from the early-stage researcher to the recognised/established researcher and beyond. They are open to researchers from all over the world regardless of their nationality.

Two of these programs are particularly interesting:

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions

The Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions provide significant support for international and intersectoral research mobility and career development, both for researchers inside the European Union and externally. The program includes activities such as initial training of researchers, support for lifelong training and career development, transfer of knowledge and networking via actions including individual fellowships, innovative training networks, and research and innovation staff exchange. By the end of 2013, the MSCA awarded approximately **65,000 grants**.

Also, within the MSCA, US research institution can host European post-docs for up to 2 years. If successful, this fellowship will be fully covered by the program.

European Research Council Grants

The ERC is funding investigator-driven research at the frontiers of science and technology, independently of thematic priorities and nationalities. Particular emphasis is being placed on emerging and fast-growing fields at the frontiers of knowledge, and on cross-disciplinary research. By the end of 2014, the ERC awarded approximately **5,000 grants**. The ERC counts **five Nobel laureates** and **three Fields Medalists** among its grant holders.

By fostering transatlantic exchange of researchers (including PhD and postdoc candidates) these formats contribute to training researchers, stimulating and supporting research partnerships and institutional cooperation beyond the world of academia.

The main objectives of the information session are:

- *Raising awareness on mobility and career opportunities in Europe, with a special focus on Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions and the ERC Grants.*
- *Stimulating scientific cooperation between USA and Europe*
- *Helping to connect researchers from both continents with a view to expand the EURAXESS Links North America Community*

EURAXESS Links North America

EURAXESS is a unique ERA initiative providing access to a complete range of information and support services for European and non-European researchers wishing to pursue research careers in Europe. It offers access to the job market; assists researchers in advancing their careers in another European country and supports research organisations in their search for outstanding research talent. EURAXESS is a truly pan-European initiative, supported by 40 participating countries across Europe and the EURAXESS Links countries.

So far, EURAXESS Links has been launched in North America, Japan, China, India, ASEAN and Brazil. The objective of the EURAXESS Links North America is to actively promote Europe as an attractive and open place for researchers and innovators. It networks not only European researchers working in North America but also North American researchers/innovators with the potential of moving to Europe or to a non-European destination where EURAXESS Links operates.

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