

## **YERUN Researcher Mobility Awards 2018-2019 Call**

YERUN Researcher Mobility Awards are competitive awards for PhD students, post-doc and early career researchers, equivalent to Euraxess Research Profiles R1 (up to the point of PhD) and R2 (PhD holders or equivalent who are not yet fully independent) from YERUN Universities. The programme provides support for researchers to undertake a minimum of 1-week stay at one or two other YERUN partner institutions from a different country. The programme provides a platform to:

- work with other YERUN academics on a research project, publication, or new collaborative activity.
- promote multi-disciplinary research across the YERUN network.
- enrich the research and training opportunities for PhD students, early career and postdoctoral scholars within the YERUN network.

A YERUN Researcher Mobility Award provides a flat-rate award to cover your expenses during your research visit (**1,000 Euros**) (*please note that this amount may be subject to tax withholding*). You will not have to provide receipts and it is your responsibility to arrange your travel and accommodation.

### **Eligibility**

- You must be a current “early career” member of staff, researcher or PhD student [Euraxess Research Profiles R1 and R2] at one of the YERUN institutions- <https://www.yerun.eu/about-yerun/>. Researchers from non-YERUN institutions are not eligible.
- Researcher Mobility Awards will only be used to visit other YERUN institutions in a country different than your home institution.
- You must agree to submit a short report on the outcomes shortly after your visit and a follow-up report describing any subsequent research collaborations with YERUN partners no later than one year after the award. This information will be used for YERUN Communication and Evaluation activities.
- All applications must be submitted with a letter of support signed by the department that will host your visit.
- Researchers that have been previously awarded a RMA are not eligible to apply.

### **Assessment Criteria**

The quality of the submitted application will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

- Short-term results expected (joint publications, joint funding proposals), and likelihood of significant long-term outcomes (future joint activities).
- Quality of the proposal description (activities planned during the visit).
- Balance among research priorities and inter-disciplinary proposals Contribution to new lines of collaboration among YERUN institutions.
- Commitment from the YERUN host to support the visit.

The evaluation will be conducted through a two-tier process. A first (selective) stage will evaluate the quality of the proposal, proposed activities and expected results. The top 40 applications will be considered for a second evaluation in which the quality, scientific interest and interdisciplinary balance of the proposals will be taken into account.

### How to apply

If you wish to apply you should contact the host YERUN university you wish to visit, agree the tentative dates of your visit and provide a letter from them agreeing to host your visit. Please inform the YERUN Coordinator at your Institution (Dr. Julia Sievers [julia.sievers@vw.uni-bremen.de](mailto:julia.sievers@vw.uni-bremen.de)) of your intent to apply for these Awards. If you are a PhD candidate, please inform your supervisor. If you find difficulties in getting the right contacts at the host institution, the YERUN Coordinators and the YERUN Office ([secretarygeneral@yerun.eu](mailto:secretarygeneral@yerun.eu)) will be able to help you.

During your research visit, it is anticipated that you will contribute to a number of activities at your host institution. When applying, you should identify events and activities through which you may contribute during your stay. These should include some of the following:

- presentation of your core research to a targeted audience e.g. presenting at a departmental seminar
- attending a research and/or training event targeted at PhD students and early career scholars
- exploration of further collaborative opportunities with groups/individuals for joint authorship or joint research projects
- interdisciplinary activities aimed at an audience beyond your immediate field of specialism
- any other activity that aims to increase the collaboration among the institutions involved

Please apply via the online application form at <https://www.yerun.eu/>. If your application is submitted successfully, you will receive a confirmation e-mail.

### Contact:

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**Call for applications**

The 2018 call for applications **opens on 24 September 2018 and closes on 26 October 2018** (EOB).

Applications will be reviewed by an evaluation team from the YERUN Research Mobility Working Group. After the evaluation period, all applicants will receive an e-mail informing them about the outcome of their application.

The 2017 call granted 26 YERUN Research Mobility Awards. Information about successful applicants can be found on the YERUN website.