Welcome to the February edition of the Institute for Social, Policy and Enterprise Research (iSPER) funding and events bulletin. In addition to the latest funding opportunities the bulletin also includes information on forthcoming events and seminars being organised by iSPER and its Themed Research Groups (TRGs).

The edition includes a special section on European funding through Horizon 2020. While future access to this funding beyond Brexit is uncertain, there is a government funding guarantee on new projects up to this point, and the UK has continued to be one of the most successful countries at obtaining such funding even after the referendum.

If you are interested in pursuing any of the funding opportunities listed then please do get in touch with us via FOBResearch@plymouth.ac.uk.

Further information about iSPER can be found on the institute’s section of the university’s website by clicking here. You can also now follow iSPER on twitter: @isperplym

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<td>8 March</td>
<td>Dr Panagiotis Tziogkidis (Plymouth University)</td>
<td>The Global Innovation Index – Measurement and Implications</td>
<td>16:00 – 17:30, Cookworthy Building 404</td>
<td>iSPER Markets, Innovation and Competition (MIC) group.</td>
<td>Alexander Haupt</td>
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<td>9 March</td>
<td>Dr Andreas Walmsley</td>
<td>A Reappraisal of the Employment Relationship in Hospitality: Reactions to the Introduction of a National Living Wage</td>
<td>Cookworthy Building 404</td>
<td>iSPER People, Organisations and Work (POW) group.</td>
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<td>29 March</td>
<td>Professor Kent Matthews (University of Cardiff)</td>
<td>‘Run for home’ – SME Lending and the Head Quarters</td>
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<td>30 March</td>
<td>Professor Julián Grigera from University of La Plata, Argentina</td>
<td>IT-based Support for Informed, Participative Decision Making in Agricultural Supply Chains</td>
<td>15:00 – 16:30, Venue to be confirmed</td>
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<td>Dr Mike Sheaff</td>
<td>Contract Failure and Secrecy: A Case Study from the NHS</td>
<td>Portland Square Building C1</td>
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<td>27 April</td>
<td>Dr Sébastien CHÂBLE, Development Manager from BDI, France</td>
<td>Management of Vegetable Value Chains and Research Methods for the Agriculture Sector</td>
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<td>Margaret Prior</td>
<td>Which way now? The direction(s) of research in HRM and ER?</td>
<td>Cookworthy Building 410</td>
<td>iSPER People, Organisations and Work (POW) group.</td>
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<td>5 May</td>
<td>Dr Nelson Turgo</td>
<td>Doing Ethnography</td>
<td>15:00 – 17:30, Mast House 103</td>
<td>iSPER Maritime and Logistics, Business and Policy Group.</td>
<td>John Dinwoodie</td>
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**Forthcoming Events:**

**Brexit Criminology: Crime, Justice & Society – 5th April 2017**

This free-to-attend one-day conference, organised by the iSPER Crime, Justice and Society group, will centre around the need for a ‘Brexit Criminology’ which engages wide ranging questions around immigration, employment, vulnerability and harm.

Plenary speakers for the event will include: Professor Jon Garland (University of Surrey); Dr Lisa McKenzie (LSE); and Professor Simon Winlow (Teesside University). [Click here to find out more information and to register to attend.](#)
**Forthcoming iSPER Research Development Workshops**

Please email FOBresearch@plymouth.ac.uk if you would like to book onto any of the following courses.

Thursday 9th March – **Using Impact Tracker for Impact Case Studies** – 14.00 – 15.30 – Cookworthy 411

Thursday 16th March – **Understanding Research Impact** – 14.00 – 15.00, Cookworthy 404

Tuesday 21\(^{st}\) March - **Making ESRC Applications** – with Dr Haya al-Dajani and R&I Special Advisors – 14.00 – 15.30, Cookworthy 502

Thursday 23rd March – **Developing European Collaborations** – with Professor Shaofeng Liu and R&I Special Advisors – 11.00 – 12.30, Cookworthy 505

Thursday 23rd March – **Using Impact Tracker** – 14.00 – 15.30, Cookworthy 505

Monday 3rd April – **Using Impact Tracker for Impact Case Studies** – 14.00 – 15.30, Cookworthy 410

Wednesday 26th April – **Using Impact Tracker** – 14.00 – 15.30, Cookworthy 411

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**Research and Innovation Support**

The university’s Research & Innovation (R&I) Directorate provides a variety of different forms of support to academics engaging in research. General information about the support provided can be found on the R&I Supporting Research page. This includes links to information on such things as: identifying funding sources; navigating the application process; demonstrating research impact; stakeholder engagement; and promotion and dissemination of your research. R&I’s Find Funding page also provides specific details on funding sources and tips on how you can set-up and manage your own funding searches.

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**New Live Opportunities**

**Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC)**

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<th><strong>Addressing the Health Needs of Women and Children in Disadvantaged Populations Globally</strong></th>
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ESRC, working with the Department of Biotechnology (DBT) in India, Department for International Development (DFID), and the Medical Research Council (MRC), invites proposals under a call to fund global health research addressing the health needs of women and children globally.
It is expected that research will provide evidence on interventions for the prevention, diagnosis and management of four types of diseases. Proposals should be multidisciplinary and include social science in order to understand the social, cultural, economic and political factors affecting likely uptake and implementation of these interventions.

Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council

**Manufacturing Fellowships**
For more information [click here](#)

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These fellowships support research with a transformative impact on the manufacturing industry. They aim at people who have the potential to be future research leaders in their field of manufacturing research and should transfer best practice from industry to academia. Proposals from the following areas are encouraged:

- 21st century products;
- digital manufacturing;
- sustainable industries;
- new industrial systems.

**Erasmus**

Erasmus is a €14.7 EU programme that funds projects in the fields of education, training, youth and sport. It supports transnational partnerships among education, training and youth institutions and organisations.

**Strategic Partnerships Call**
For more information [click here](#)

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Strategic partnerships aim to support the development, transfer and/or implementation of innovative practices as well as the implementation of joint initiatives promoting cooperation, peer learning and exchanges of experience at the European level.

**Government Contracts**

**Appraisal of the Modelling Methodology for the Long-term Apprenticeship Model**
For more information [click here](#)

| Funder: | Department for Education |
The aim of the project is to review the design of the model, consider if the model is fit for purpose, and whether other approaches might improve the quality and capability of the model.

**Revolutionise the Human Information Relationship for Defence – Accelerator Competition**

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The Ministry of Defence, via the Defence and Security Accelerator, invites applications for its revolutionise the human information relationship for defence competition. This aims to improve Defence’s ability to operate and fight in the information age, by seeking new technologies, processes and ways of working that improve the way data is analysed and exploited to inform decision-making.

**Horizon 2020**

Horizon 2020 is the European Union’s funding programme for research and innovation. While future access to Horizon 2020 beyond Britain’s departure from the EU is uncertain, the government has guaranteed that where UK organisations bid directly to the European Commission on a competitive basis for EU funded projects, while the UK is still a member of the EU, the Treasury will underwrite the payments of such awards. This will be the case even when specific projects continue beyond the UK’s departure from the EU.

The UK has remained one of the most successful countries at attracting EU research funding even after the referendum and despite some initial concerns UK researchers are still finding opportunities to form or join partnerships with European collaborators.

You can sign up for information and updates on European funding from the UK Research Office portal.

Horizon 2020 consists of three main pillars:

1. Excellent Science – tends to fund projects which are closer to traditional academic research (includes European Research Council, Marie-Curie and other funding streams).
2. Industrial Leadership – principally aimed at businesses but HEIs/academics can be involved as partners.
3. Societal Challenges – where universities tend to do well, but still need to partner with industry.

Topics which are specifically relevant to researchers in social science and humanities are flagged on the Horizon 2020 participant portal. This may include projects where the main expertise will involve researchers from other areas, but where social science or humanities input is likely to be required.

Net 4 Society is a network aimed at researchers and stakeholders, and particularly those in the social sciences and humanities, who are interested in Horizon 2020's Societal Challenge 6.
"Europe in a changing world". They have also produced a guide on Horizon 2020 topics relevant to those in the social sciences and humanities.

A large number of opportunities that are currently open have been flagged as Social Science and Humanities related. Below is a selection of only a few of these with deadlines within the next three months. Information on selected calls which are not yet open can be found in the forthcoming opportunities section of this bulletin. This includes Marie Skłodowska-Curie and other calls under the Excellent Science pillar of Horizon 2020.

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<td>COS-DRONES-2016-03-02: COS-DRONES-2016-03-02</td>
<td>The key objective of the action is to contribute to the development of a privacy and data protection culture in the unmanned aircraft (UA) sector.</td>
<td>4&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt; April (5.00 pm)</td>
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<td>MSCA-RISE-2017</td>
<td>The Marie Skłodowska-Curie Research and Innovation Staff Exchange (RISE) will promote international and inter-sector collaboration through research and innovation staff exchanges, and sharing of knowledge and ideas from research to market (and vice-versa).</td>
<td>5&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt; April (5.00 pm)</td>
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<td>Cybersecurity PPP: Cryptography</td>
<td>Proposals to improve the performance and efficiency of cryptographic solutions across ICT.</td>
<td>25&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt; April (5.00 pm)</td>
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<td>ECSEL-2017-1: IA</td>
<td>An ECSEL Innovation Action (IA) primarily consists of activities aiming at pilot lines, test beds, demonstrators, innovation pilots and zones of full-scale testing.</td>
<td>First stage: 11&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt; May (5.00 pm) Second stage: 21&lt;sup&gt;st&lt;/sup&gt; September (5.00 pm)</td>
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<td>ECSEL-2017-2: RIA</td>
<td>An ECSEL Research and Innovation Action (RIA) primarily consists of activities aiming to establish new knowledge and/or to explore the feasibility of a new or improved technology, product, process, service, method, tool or solution.</td>
<td>First stage: 11&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt; May (5.00 pm) Second stage: 21&lt;sup&gt;st&lt;/sup&gt; September (5.00 pm)</td>
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Other useful links:

- **Cordis** – useful for searching existing projects and finding partners
- **European Enterprise Network** – useful for finding non-academic partners

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**Leverhulme Trust**

**Major Research Fellowships**
For more information [click here](#)
Funds salary costs. Research Fellow may also request research expenses up to a maximum of £6000.

Duration: 2 to 3 Years
Application Deadline: 11th May 2017 (4.00 pm)
Start Date: Beginning of 2018/19 academic year

These fellowships provide replacement teaching costs over two or three years, to allow well-established and distinguished researchers in the humanities and social sciences to focus on a specific piece of original research. Fellowships are particularly aimed at those who are or have been prevented by routine duties from completing a programme of original research.

### National Institute for Health Research

**Programme Grants for Applied Research**

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These grants support projects that aim to provide evidence to improve health outcomes in England through promotion of health, prevention of ill health and optimal disease management, with particular emphasis on conditions causing significant disease burden. This includes health services research, public health research, behavioural research, economic evaluations and modelling.

### Newton Fund

The Newton Fund uses science and innovation partnerships to promote economic development and social welfare in partner countries. It does this through collaboration with partner countries and working with 15 UK Delivery partners/funders. The fund has a total UK investment of £735million to 2021, with partner countries providing matched resources within the fund. Further information about the fund can be found by [clicking here](#).

Newton Fund opportunities can be found by [clicking here](#) and some of the opportunities currently available are listed in the table below:

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<td>Energy Demand Reduction in the Built Environment</td>
<td>India</td>
<td>ESRC and EPSRC</td>
<td>15th March 2017</td>
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<td>Newton Mobility Grants</td>
<td>Malaysia, Mexico, South Africa, Thailand, Turkey</td>
<td>Royal Society</td>
<td>15th March</td>
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<td>Fellowships for UK Researchers</td>
<td>Turkey</td>
<td>British Academy, Royal Academy of</td>
<td>31st March 2017</td>
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<td><strong>Engineering and Royal Society</strong></td>
<td><strong>Urban Innovation in Brazil</strong></td>
<td><strong>Brazil</strong></td>
<td><strong>Innovate UK</strong></td>
<td><strong>3rd May 2017 (register before noon on 26th April)</strong></td>
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**Wellcome Trust**

**Research Bursaries**
For more information [click here](#)

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Research bursaries are available for academics researchers with a doctorate and a research interest in biomedical science or in the humanities or social sciences as they relate to medicine. Awards contribute towards expenses incurred in travelling to, and consulting at, libraries or archives in the UK or Republic of Ireland.

**Other Funders**

**Fecal Sludge Disposal Challenge – Research Partner**
For more information [click here](#)

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Enhancing Learning and Research for Humanitarian Assistance, under its fecal sludge disposal challenge, invites applications for its research partner call. This aims to develop an understanding of why existing guidelines on fecal sludge disposal sites are not more widely applied in rapid-onset emergencies.

**Experiments and Methodological Innovation for Longitudinal Studies**
For more information [click here](#)

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<th>Understanding Society: The UK Household Longitudinal Survey</th>
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Understanding Society’s Innovation Panel Competition has launched today gives researchers the chance to submit proposals for studies to be incorporated on the next wave of the Panel. The Innovation Panel is a sample of 1,500 households used by researchers as a test-bed for innovative ways of collecting data and for developing new areas of research.

**Selected Live Opportunities from the Previous Bulletins (still open)**
Please note: some opportunities featured in the last bulletin with impending deadlines are not featured in here in order to save space and in recognition that there will be insufficient time for new applications to be started from scratch.

Arts and Humanities Research Council (AHRC)

Research Networking Highlight Notice for International Development

For further information [click here](#)

Value: Up to £30,000

Deadline: 25th April 2017

This call is for the development of research networking proposals which explore the contribution that arts and humanities research can make to challenges, policy and/or practice relating to international development. It complements other previous AHRC thematic GCRF calls including the AHRC GCRF Area-Focused Network-Plus call (see above).

Please note: Since this opportunity was included as a forthcoming opportunity in the previous bulletin two of the details have been amended by the AHRC. Firstly, the deadline has been moved from late February to the 25th April. Secondly, a new area of opportunity in relation to ‘China and the Creative Economy’ has been included. For further details [click here](#).

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Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC)

Transformations to Sustainability (T2S)

For further information [click here](#)

Value: Up to €500,000

Deadline: Outline proposal: 5th April 2017 (12.00)

T2S is a new funding programme for international, transdisciplinary projects addressing transformations to sustainability initiated by the Belmont Forum and NORFACE network. The programme is supported by funding agencies from Belgium, Brazil, Chinese Taipei, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Japan, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Slovenia, Sweden, Switzerland, the UK and the USA. More information on the participation of Norway will be available soon.

Proposals from researchers based in any of the partner countries are welcome, and should address one or more of the call themes:

- Governance and institutional dimensions of transformations to sustainability.
- Economy and finance of transformations to sustainability.
- Wellbeing, quality of life, identity, and social and cultural values in relation to transformations to sustainability.

Proposals must address one or more of the three call themes, and must involve at least three national research teams. The total funding requested from the T2S partners must not exceed €1,500,000 across all participating countries.

Secondary Data Analysis Initiative (SDAI) Department for Education (DfE) Highlight Notice

For further information [click here](#)

Value: Up to £200,000 (100% of FEC)

Duration: Up to 18 months

Application Deadline: 10th March 2017 (4.00pm)
This supports projects that produce insight into policy areas of interest to the Department for Education and promote the use of relevant datasets. Proposals must address at least one of the following themes:

- teacher quality or subject specialism and the link to social mobility;
- social mobility;
- the gender pay gap;
- further education.

It is expected that two projects will be funded in 2017.

**Horizon 2020**

**SUSFOOD2 ERA-NET: Joint Call for Proposals in the Field of Sustainable Food Production and Consumption**

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Proposals are invited to support cooperation in research, development and innovation between EU members and associated states in order to maximise the contribution of research to the development of more sustainable food systems from production to consumption. Proposals may address one of the following topics:

- innovation in food processing technologies and products;
- providing added value, increased resource efficiency and reduction of waste in sustainable food systems;
- understanding consumer behaviour and food choices;
- harmonisation of the methods and metrics for integrated assessment of sustainability of food products and food patterns.

**Independent Social Research Foundation (ISRF)**

**Fourth ISRF Early Career Fellowships Competition**

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These fellowships aim to support innovative research which breaks with existing explanatory frameworks so as to address afresh empirical problems with no currently adequate theory or investigative methodology. Innovation may also come from controversial theoretical approaches motivated by a critical challenge to incumbent theories.

Applicants who are within **10 years of their PhD award** are eligible to apply (career breaks may be taken into account). The award will provide full relief from all teaching duties and all associated academic administration for a period of up to one year.
**Leverhulme Trust**

**Research project Grants**
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The aim of these awards is to provide financial support for innovative and original research projects of high quality and potential, the choice of theme and the design of the research lying entirely with the applicant (the Principal Investigator).

Outline applications for Leverhulme research project grants can be submitted at any time, but please see above the 2017 deadlines for detailed applications, which will need to be submitted if an outline application is successful. **Please note:** The assessment of outline applications is normally completed within three months after which the detailed application can be developed and submitted.

**Visiting Professorships**
For more information [click here](#).

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Awarded to UK institutions that wish to invite an eminent researcher from overseas to enhance the knowledge and skills of academic staff or the student body within the host institution. The scheme covers maintenance, travel expenses and research costs.

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**Nuffield Trust**

**Grants for Research and Innovation Projects**
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Applications for the next round of Nuffield Trust grants will be due in March (see above). **Please note:** the deadline details appear to have been revised since they were included in the September
funding bulletin. There are six programme areas in total and an ‘open door’ route for projects falling outside these areas:

- **Children and Families**: funds projects to help ensure that social policy and the institutions governing family life in the UK are best adapted to meet the needs of children and families.
- **Early Years Education and Childcare**: funds projects in the areas of educational attainment and child development outcomes, tackling social disadvantage, parental and family contexts, wider societal impacts, and public policy mechanisms.
- **Economic Advantage and Disadvantage**: funds projects on the distribution of all aspects of individual and household economic well-being, their causes and consequences.
- **Education**: funds projects in the areas of primary education, secondary education transitions, science and mathematics.
- **Finances of Ageing**: funds projects related to all aspects of finance, economics, and transfers related to individual and population ageing.
- **Law in Society**: funds projects designed to promote access to, and improve understanding of, the civil and family justice systems
- **Open Door**: These are proposals of exceptional merit for research projects or practical innovations that lie outside the main programme areas.

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**Humanities and Social Science Doctoral Studentships**

For more information [click here](#)

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These enable researchers to undertake a humanities or social science doctoral degree in any area of health. Applicants should hold or expect to hold a relevant master’s degree and should not already be registered for a research degree, or have received support from another funding body.

**Seed Awards in Humanities and Social Science**

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Research may fall under any field of humanities and social science that enriches the understanding of human and animal health. Eligible activities include pilot and scoping studies, planning sessions and meetings of collaborative networks. For the forthcoming deadline only projects which explore the theme of sexuality and health will be considered.

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**Other Funders**
Sustainable Urban Global Initiative (SUGI) / Food-Water-Energy (FWE) Nexus
The funder website with details of the call can be found by clicking here. However specific information for UK applicants can be found on the ESRC website by clicking here.

Funders: Belmont Forum and the Joint Programming Initiative Urban Europe

Value: Maximum amount for UK component is €300,000 (FEC)

Application Deadline: 15th March 2017 (6.00 pm GMT)

The Sustainable Urban Global Initiative (SUGI) / Food-Water-Energy (FWE) Nexus call aims to develop more resilient and applied urban solutions that bring inter- and transdisciplinary research and innovation together from across the globe, to benefit a much wider range of stakeholders including cities, civil society and business. Projects should address one or more of the following topics:

- Robust knowledge, indicators and assessments;
- Multi-level governance and management;
- Managing strategies and solutions.

Forthcoming Opportunities
The following are a number of funding opportunities which are either scheduled to emerge in the near future, or anticipated to on the basis of what we know from previous funding rounds. Please note that these details, and particularly the timescales, may be subject to change.

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Co-funding of regional, national and international programmes
For general information about this opportunity click here. For information about the forthcoming call click here.

Value: Variable – individuals including doctoral candidates and experienced research fellows receive support for research training and career development.

Duration: 3 to 5 Years

Scheme Opens: 5th April 2017

Application Deadline: 28th September 2017 (5.00pm Brussels time)

The COFUND scheme aims to stimulate regional, national or international programmes to foster excellence in researchers’ training, mobility and career development, spreading the best practices of Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions.

This will be achieved by co-funding new or existing regional, national, and international programmes to open up to, and provide for, international, intersectoral and interdisciplinary research training, as well as transnational and cross-sectoral mobility of researchers at all stages of their career.

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowships
For general information about this opportunity click here. For information about the forthcoming call click here.
Value: Variable – provides an allowance to cover living, travel and family costs.
Duration: European Fellowships last from one to two years, Global Fellowships from two to three years.
Scheme Opens: 11th April 2017
Application Deadline: 14th September 2017 (5.00pm Brussels time)
The goal of the Individual Fellowships is to enhance the creative and innovative potential of experienced researchers, wishing to diversify their individual competence in terms of skill acquisition through advanced training, international and intersectoral mobility.

Individual Fellowships provide opportunities to acquire and transfer new knowledge and to work on research and innovation in a European context (EU Member States and Associated Countries) or outside Europe. The scheme particularly supports the return and reintegration of researchers from outside Europe who have previously worked here. It also develops or helps to restart the careers of individual researchers that show great potential, considering their experience.

Both European (held in EU or associated countries) and Global (held outside Europe) Fellowships are available.

European Research Council – Advanced Grants
For further information click here
Value: Up to €2,500,000
Duration: Up to 5 Years
Scheme Opens: 16th May 2017
Application Deadline: 31st August 2017
Advanced Grants are designed to support excellent Principal Investigators at the career stage at which they are already established research leaders with a recognised track record of research achievements. Applicant Principal Investigators must demonstrate the ground-breaking nature, ambition and feasibility of their scientific proposal.

Research Awards and Prizes
Philip Leverhulme Awards
For more information click here
Funders: Leverhulme Trust
Value: £100,000
Nomination Deadline: 17th May 2017 (4.00 pm GMT)
Philip Leverhulme Prizes recognise the achievement of outstanding researchers whose work has already attracted international recognition and whose future career is exceptionally promising. For the 2017 competition the selected subject areas are:

- Biological Sciences
- History
- Law
- Mathematics and Statistics
- Philosophy and Theology
- Sociology and Social Policy
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<td><strong>Value:</strong></td>
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The Taylor & Francis Commonwealth Scholar Best Journal Article Prize is awarded for the most outstanding article published in a recognised peer-review journal of high standing by a current or recent doctoral Commonwealth Scholar. Applicants should be currently studying a PhD or within five years of having completed their PhD.