

14 Marie Curie PhD Fellowships

in the Project “Marie-Curie-Initial Training Network ENGLOBE Enlightenment and Global History”. All fellowships may commence on February 1st 2010 and include funding for 3 years. Living and mobility allowances are between 30,000 € and 47,000 € per year. ENGLOBE is funded through the 7th Framework Programme of the European Union.

The vacancies are based at the following universities:

- Universität Potsdam, Germany,
- Universidade de Coimbra, Portugal,
- Université de Versailles Saint-Quentin-en-Yvelines, France,
- Uniwersytet Zielonogórski, Poland,
- Technische Universität Berlin, Germany,
- National University of Ireland Galway, Ireland,
- Middle East Technical University Ankara, Turkey,
- Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas Madrid, Spain,
- Queen’s University Belfast, United Kingdom.

Selected graduates will have the opportunity to do their PhD. in the field of Enlightenment Research. Their dissertation topics should be situated in one of the following four thematic areas:

- Comparative history and transfers of knowledge and sciences (e.g. European and extra-European knowledge transfer processes; transformations of knowledge societies in history; definition of truth criteria in different societies since the 18th Century; media and forms of knowledge; intercultural modes of thought).
- Comparative patterns of perception (e.g. comparative forms of perception of “otherness”; construction of cultural and religious spaces and frontiers; colonial discourses within Europe; images and stereotype production; anthropology and race theories since the Enlightenment; Literature as a source in Global History).
- Values in hybrid cultural spaces (e.g. different forms of modernizations; hybrid cultural spaces within Europe; conceptions of Orientalism and Occidentalism; Europe-transcending conceptions in Global History; Gender aspects in the Philosophy of History; art and architecture as sources in Global History).
- Extra-European and European approaches to the key concept “evolution” (e.g. models, levels, and dimensions of evolution; influence of Enlightenment ideas on independence movements in extra-European societies; criticisms of colonial structures within the Enlightenment).

The "training-through-research" encompasses secondments to extra-European network partners, training in complementary skills (e.g. project management, intercultural communication, presentation skills) and joint supervision of dissertations.

Requirements:

- A good primary degree in the humanities (history, philosophy, literature, cultural studies, art history or similar fields);
- Mobility (the willingness to live and work in a foreign country);
- High motivation in performing interdisciplinary research;
- Capacity for teamwork, flexibility, communication skills;
- Fluent English; other languages would be advantageous.

Important: At the time of selection by the host organisation, researchers should not have resided or received education or employment in the country of their host organisation for a period exceeding 12 months in the 3 years immediately prior to their recruitment. For more information about mobility rules of the Marie Curie Programme please consult: http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/people/home_en.html.

Your Application should include:

- A formal letter of Application (including contact details, outline of research interests, declaration of motivation),
- Curriculum Vitae with passport photo,
- Graduation certificates,
- An outline (3 pages) of your proposed PhD project.

Deadline for applications: 15 December 2009.

For more detailed information about the ENGLOBE Programme please visit our homepage: <http://www.englobe-itn.net>.

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