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Abstract

A programme for travel grants to junior scientists was designed and initiated. It kicked off in spring 2016, with the first deadline for applications being June 30th 2016. Two applications were received until today. The programme is described and the names of the two applicants listed.

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Within Subtask 7.1.1 a program of travel grants was designed for young scientists. It was discussed during a meeting in Brussels on September 4th 2015 and submitted to the CONCERT management Board. It was approved and placed on the webpage of CONCERT in spring 2016, so that the deadline for the first round of applications is 30th June 2016.

Until today (26th May 2016) two applications were received from:

Bjorn Baselet, CSK-CEN

Maurizio Marrale, Università Degli Studi di Palermo

All applications, which will be received until the deadline, will be processed as planned.

The call text and the information flyer are pasted below. They are available on the web page of CONCERT: http://www.concert-h2020.eu/en/Calls/Call_travel_grants

Call for Travel Grants

Invitation to submit applications for travel grants and awards

1. General description

In order to further the policy of developing and maintaining expertise in the radiation protection research community, CONCERT is offering a total of 10,000 € per year for travel awards to junior scientists. Support can be given for participation in a conference, a course or for an exchange visit to a laboratory, where this can be shown to be of value for increasing the applicant's involvement and knowledge/skills in current European research in radiation protection. There are four application deadlines per year:

- 31st March,
- 30th June,
- 31st September,
- 31st December.

After each deadline a max sum of 2,500€ will be paid out to the top applicants. The maximal level of support per applicant is 625€. The decision about support will be made within 15 days after the nearest application deadline. Please see the text below for more details. A flyer for distribution to potential candidates can be downloaded here (see end of the document).

2. Rules for applicants

Who is eligible?

- Researchers or PhD students working in the broad field of radiation research including biology, chemistry, physics and medicine. The support is not paid to BSc or MSc students. An eligible person must be affiliated to an institution within the European Union or an associated country as governed by Article 7 of the Horizon 2020 Regulation.

The support is only granted:

- To scientists who are not older than 35 years.
- For travel outside the country of residence.
- To cover travel expenses, lodging and conference fees. A budget must be included in an application.
- Once to a person, meaning that a person cannot apply for support twice.
- For a trip that will take place within 9 months after the application deadline.

An application must contain:

- A motivation letter explaining how the applicant will benefit in terms of the aim of the programme.
- A CV.
- A letter of support from the head of the unit.
- An abstract if the applicant is applying for a conference travel support. Notice that no support will be given for passive conference attendance.
- An invitation letter with motivation if the applicant is applying for travel support to carry out an exchange visit.
- A course programme and letter of acceptance if the applicant is applying for travel support to participate in a course.

3. Submission and evaluation procedure

The complete application should be sent by mail to Andrzej Wojcik at andrzej.wojcik@su.se with a copy to concert.training@unipv.it. The decision about support will be made within 15 days after the nearest application deadline. The time of application in relation to the deadline has no influence on the evaluation outcome. The applications will be evaluated by the Education and Training Committee (ETC) consisting of the five task leaders of CONCERT WP7. A recommendation for funding will be based on simple majority, with at least three evaluators participating in the evaluation.

The following evaluation criteria and ranking will be apply:

Relevance to radiation protection research:	1 (least) – 10 (most).
Scientific quality of the abstract or plan of visit:	1 (least) – 10 (most).
Scientific merits of the applicant:	1 (least) – 10 (most).

The recommendation will be submitted to the CONCERT Executive Board for approval. Successful applicants will be required to submit a report on their visit or a copy of their presentation on completion of the travel.

The flyer for distribution to potential candidates can be seen overleaf:

The flyer:



<http://www.concert-h2020.eu>

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Who is eligible?

Researchers or PhD students working in the broad field of radiation protection research including biology, chemistry, physics and medicine. The support is not paid to BSc or MSc students. An eligible person must be affiliated to an institution within the European Union or an associated country as governed by Article 7 of the Horizon 2020 Regulation.

When should you apply?

Applications may be submitted at any time. However, there are 4 application deadlines per year:

31st March,
30th June,
31st September,
31st December.

After each deadline a maximum sum of 2500€ will be paid out to the top applicants. The maximal level of support per applicant is 625€.

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- For a trip that will take place within 9 months after the application deadline.

An application must contain:

- A motivation letter and a CV.
- A signed letter of support from the head of the unit.
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