

# Coimbra Group Scholarship Programme for Young Researchers from the European Neighbourhood

Universities of the Coimbra Group offer short-term visits to young researchers from higher education institutions from countries in the European Neighbourhood. The main aim of this scholarship programme is to enable scholars to undertake research in which they are engaged in their home institution and to help them to establish academic and research contacts. The scholarships are financially supported by the Coimbra Group member universities participating in this programme, while the Coimbra Group Office is in charge of the administrative management of the applications.

The eligible countries for the 2017 edition are listed below. Please note that some Coimbra Group Universities may restrict the eligibility to some of the countries listed below – to find out if your country is eligible, please refer to the "Remarks" section in the table at the end of this document.

Albania, Algeria, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Egypt, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Georgia, Israel, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kosovo, Kyrgyzstan, Lebanon, Libya, Moldova, Montenegro, Morocco, the Palestinian Authority, Serbia, Syria, Tajikistan, Tunisia, Turkmenistan, Ukraine and Uzbekistan.

The following Coimbra Group Universities are participating in the 2017 edition of the Coimbra Group Scholarship Programme:

Eötvös Loránd University Budapest (Hungary)
University of Granada (Spain)
Karl-Franzens University of Graz (Austria)
University of Heidelberg (Germany)
Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi (Romania)
University of Padova (Italy)
University of Poitiers (France)
University of Salamanca (Spain)

# **Eligibility**

Applicants must fulfil all the following criteria:

- be under the age of 35
- be nationals of and current residents in one of the above-listed countries
- be current academic staff members of a university or an equivalent higher education institution located in one
  of the above-listed countries and be of postdoctoral or equivalent status, although some institutions may offer
  opportunities to doctoral students



## **Application Procedure**

Candidates may apply for <u>one university only</u>. Multiple applications will not be considered valid. Only the universities listed in the table below are taking part in the 2017 edition of the Coimbra Group Scholarship Programme. Applicants will be able to fill in the on-line registration **until 31 March 2017** on the Coimbra Group web site: <u>www.coimbragroup.eu/activities/scholarships</u>.

Applicants are not expected to provide any documents at this stage, although they may be requested to do so by the university they have applied for at a later stage. Candidates must indicate the name and contact details of an academic supervisor at the host university and provide proof of acceptance (a letter or e-mail) by this supervisor where it is clearly stated that he/she is willing to supervise the work of the candidate during the research stay at the Coimbra Group University. This letter should be uploaded on the application form. Applications which do not fulfil this requirement will not be considered.

Information should be submitted in English. Applicants will receive a confirmation message from the Coimbra Group Office within 2 weeks following the submission of their application. If you do not receive this confirmation message, you must notify our office by sending an email to <a href="mailto:Cristina.Tanase@coimbra-group.eu">Cristina.Tanase@coimbra-group.eu</a>, no later than one week following the deadline of 31 March.

### **Selection Procedure**

The administrative check of applications will be undertaken by the Coimbra Group Office in order to select candidates who meet the eligibility criteria. The selection of candidates will be undertaken by the host universities. When selection has been agreed upon, the host university may send a letter of invitation directly to the successful candidate. The Coimbra Group Office will contact all candidates and inform them about the result of their application. Successful candidates currently employed by a University are responsible for ensuring that their home institution will grant them leave of absence to undertake the proposed visit.

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# **The Coimbra Group**

The Coimbra Group, which was set up in 1987, is an association of 38 traditional European universities. It aims to increase co-operation amongst its members by enhancing special academic and cultural ties, and creating channels of information and exchange. More information about the Coimbra Group can be found on the association's website (<a href="https://www.coimbra-group.eu">www.coimbra-group.eu</a>). Further details about the universities taking part in the Scholarship Programme for Young Researchers from the European Neighbourhood may be found by viewing their own web site at the addresses included in the table below.

Please refer to the table below for the specific conditions set by each Coimbra Group University participating in the Scholarship Programme.



University	Number of scholar- ships	Field	Grant	Duration	Contact	Remarks
Eötvös Loránd University Budapest https://www.elte.hu	1	1. evolutionary biology, phylogenomics, molecular dating, horizontal gene transfer 2. cancer evolution, somatic evolution, physics of cancer 3. theoretical astrophysics, dynamics, gravitational wave physics	€1000 per month + the University provides accommodation	3-6 months	Veronika Kóré veronika.kore@rk.elt e.hu	*The university does not provide any insurance for the visitor. We strongly recommend that (s)he signs full time health, liability and accident insurance.
University of Granada  www.ugr.es  www.ugr.university/	2	All (especially Sciences, Arts, Translation, Economics and Business, Civil Engineering and Pharmacy)	€900 per month + health insurance + reimbursement of travel expenses up to €800	maximum 3 months	Beatriz Caruana & Virginia Salazar intlmobility@ugr.es	*The University of Granada (UGR) does not provide accommodation to the grant holder.  *A pre-admission letter signed by the research tutor at UGR is mandatory in order to be eligible for the grant at this University, which means that the candidate should have prior contact with the UGR professors/officers before applying for the grant.
University of Graz  http://www.uni- graz.at/en/	2	All (except Molecular Biosciences) http://www.uni- graz.at/en/univer sity/information/f aculties/	€1000 per month + reimbursement of travel expenses up to €300	1 to 2 months	coimbragroup@uni- graz.at	*Available facilities: Access to computer and library. *The university will provide assistance in finding accommodation. *Insurance: Uni Graz does not provide insurance for visitors. * Applicants should establish contact with a supervising professor at the University of Graz before applying and submit a letter of invitation or email correspondence together with the application.
Heidelberg University www.uni- heidelberg.de/	1	All	€1000 per month	maximum 2 months	Nicole Dorn dorn@zuv.uni- heidelberg.de	*Assistance with finding accommodation, introduction and orientation, academic adviser (depending on subject of research). *No travel grant available. *The University does not provide insurance for visitors.
Alexandru loan Cuza University of lasi www.uaic.ro/en/	2 (for doctoral or post- doctoral teaching staff/ researchers)	All areas of study subject to approval from the relevant department	reimbursement of travel expenses up to €350 + the University will cover accommodation and meals	minimum 1 month, maximum 3 months	Gina Marinescu gina.marinescu@uai c.ro	*Eligible countries: Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Israel, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Montenegro, Serbia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan. *Remarks: Applicants (either doctoral or post-doctoral) need to be current academic staff members of a university.



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University of Padova www.unipd.it	2 for PhD students or young academics	All	€800 per month to cover all costs (accommodation, food, and other expenses) + reimbursement of travel expenses up to €500	1-3 months (in the interval September 2017-June 2018)	Fiorella de Gobbi fiorella.degobbi@uni pd.it	*Available facilities: Assistance in finding accommodation, access to university facilities (computers, libraries, canteens). *Insurance: The University insurance only covers the academic activities. Visitors should have their own insurance to cover travel, stay health and personal property. *Applicants should have received approval from their tutor in Padova before applying (please include a letter/email from your potential tutor/supervisor at the University of Padova as proof).
University of Poitiers  www.univ-poitiers.fr	1	All fields available in the research laboratories of the University	Please contact the University of Poitiers for further information.	3 months	erasmusinternational @univ-poitiers.fr	*Grant open ONLY to PhD candidates from 3 Serbian Universities (University of Nis, University of Novi Sad and University of Belgrade) *Check information and procedures at: https://goo.gl/KQUHfr
University of Salamanca  www.usal.es/webus	1 (for PhD students or academic teachers)	All	the University will provide accommodation and food	1 month	Servicio de Relaciones Internacionales rrii@usal.es	