

Essential UiB-info

Preparing your application:

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- mandatory for UiB EU applicants

EU Project establishment support -open deadline with cut-off-dates (PES)

- [application form](#)

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Funding Found!

ERC Advanced Grant: Professor Fedor Fomin, Department of Informatics



What: ERC Advanced Investigators grants allow exceptional established research leaders to pursue frontier research of their choice at institutions in Europe.

Who: Fedor Fomin and his team at UiB

When: Duration 5 years from 1.4.2011

What will you do in your project? The goal of the project is the rigorous mathematical theory explaining the power and failure of preprocessing algorithms. Preprocessing means reducing the input to something simpler by solving an easy part of the input and this is the type of algorithms used in almost every application. Despite of a wide usability of such algorithms, we do not know much (yet) why sometimes they work and sometimes not

How long did you think about the project idea before you applied? While the topic was more or less clear for a long time, it took some time to realize what story (breakthrough but still feasible) to tell. I started to discuss possible ideas for the project with some friends in December, and was typing (combining with teaching and Norwegian classes) in January and February. What was extremely useful, and strongly recommended 1) attend a tutorial of 2 Dutch ladies from Yellow Research about ERC proposals, they come to Norway from time to time to lecture. They are cool! 2) talk and send drafts to people from UiB Dept of Research Management, Jan Petter Myklebust and Anja Hegen. Most likely they do not know much about your research area but they can say which parts of your proposal are pathetic

Would you recommend this type of grant/application to other scientists? Well, I still do not see myself as senior. But seriously, worth to try. This is something which is not unrealistic and even passing the first round of evaluation but failure in the second still can bring (good) money.

Thank you!

The next deadlines for ERC Advanced Investigators Grants are 9.2.2011 (Physics and Engineering), 9.3.2011 (Life sciences) and 6.4.2011 (Social Sciences and the Humanities), more info – see below

Invite an American specialist to your department

The **Fulbright Specialists Program** provides short-term (2-6 weeks) academic opportunities for US faculty and professionals. The expert can come to perform short-term lecturing, conduct seminars, special conferences / workshops or collaborates on curriculum planning and institutional and/or faculty development. If you have an American colleague whom you would like to invite, please ask her/him to register in the Fulbright database or find your expert there. Please consult the [CIES website](#) for more



information on practicalities and timeframes. The Fulbright foundation also offers several other grants. For more information check their [website](#).

ERC Advanced Grants 2011 – help for UiB applicants

Are you considering an application to the ERC Advanced Grants 2011? Our team can help you with the application, please contact us as soon as possible to hear about our services. Our contact details are on the first side of this newsletter. Click [here](#) to access the FP7 Cordis website with more information.

New proposal writing course with Sean McCarthy 6. May 2011- mark the date

We are happy to have Sean back in Bergen for one of his popular courses "How to write a competitive proposal for Framework 7" Friday, May 6th 2011 at VilVite. If you have been to one of his courses you know that this is a day to look forward to, so mark your calendar, we will come back with more info about registration in due time. Learn more about the course and Sean McCarthy [here](#).

24.5.2011: Gain early exclusive insider knowledge about the 2012 EU calls

The EU office of the Research Council of Norway will offer a special service: Researchers at UiB can learn about the EU FP7 2012 calls on May 24th-that is 2 months before the official publication dates in July 2011!! Mark the date, we will come back with more information about the venues and times.

Yggdrasil program for excellent PhDs and young post docs

RCNs Yggdrasil mobility programme offers grants of 1 to 10 months to international Ph.D. students and younger researchers for research stays in Norway. The programme is open for all scientific areas. Eligible countries in Europe: All countries, including all Council of Europe member states, except Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden. Non-European countries: Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Egypt, India, Israel, Japan, Mexico and South Africa. Deadline 16.2.2011, please note there are 2 mill NOK extra to encourage the application of fellows from Russia and Brasil in the fields of mathematics, natural sciences and engineering. More information and proposal registration can be found [here](#).

Marie Curie Initial Training Network (ITN) workshop in Oslo

RCNs Marie Curie experts offer a proposal workshop/clinic for 15 ITN applicants in Oslo on January 5th 2011. You are expected to bring the ITN proposal draft you currently work on. Course language will be English, please register [here](#) until December 22nd.

UiB new member of the University of the Arctic

The University of the Arctic is a cooperative network consisting of Universities, Universty Colleges and other organisations involved in higher education in the North of Europe, Northern America and Russia. You can find the internet site [here](#) and if you would like to know more about opportunities in this network, you can contact research adviser [Øyvind Paasche](#) at the Department of Research Management.

Overview EU calls with deadlines in 2011 published on 20. July 2010:

Please contact the FunderFinder team if you have questions, our contact details can be found on the first page. Remember that project establishment funding ([PES](#)) is available at the Department of Research Management for UiB researchers participating in EU proposals.

Cooperation programme: All calls [here](#)

Click on the theme(s) of interest below,

- Food, Agriculture and Fisheries, and Biotechnology (**KBBE**) - [Work Programme](#)
- Information and Communication Technologies (**ICT**) - [Work Programme](#)
- Socio-economic sciences and Humanities (**SSH**) - [Work Programme](#)
- Oceans of Tomorrow - [Link to call](#) - [call text](#)

People ("Marie Curie") programme including Initial Training Networks, Individual Fellowships and International Staff Exchange (IRSES)/ [Work Programme](#) / [Information](#)

See also full updated list of call deadlines including RCN (NFR) and other funding sources– [link to list](#).

Guidance for researchers

See also our updated list on other courses and information meetings below.

A First aid-document for UoB-researchers interested in FP7 can be found [here](#) plus

FP7 Guides for applicants - recommended reading- for:

- [Collaborative projects](#)
- Cooperation and support actions ([supporting](#))
- Cooperation and support actions ([coordinating](#))

Call specific guides for applicants will be made available under each call on the [Cordis](#) website. Please contact the FunderFinder Team if you need help finding the documents you need, we will gladly assist you.

Upcoming information meetings and courses

23. - 25. 2. 2011 Bioprospecting conference "Biopros" in Tromsø. More information can be found [here](#)

6. 5. 2011 Sean McCarthy: How to write a competitive proposal for Framework 7, UiB, Vilvite

24. 5. 2011 EU FP 7 exclusive information on 2012 EU calls, Vilvite and other auditoriums at UiB in collaboration with the EU experts at the Research Council of Norway

16. 6. 2011 Infoseminar and workshop about the Marie Curie Individual fellowships with expert Judith Lietjens, UK Research office (UKRO)

Other ongoing and upcoming calls

See also our complete list – [link to list](#)

Marie Curie Career Integration Grants CIG

This new grant can be used for researchers with 4 or more years of full-time research experience who return to a European country after a stay abroad and have been offered a **permanent position in Europe**. Researchers can get max 25.000 € per year for 2-4 years to cover costs for higher salary, research projects, travels, publication, etc. More information [here](#). Deadlines 2011: 8.3.2011 and 6.9.2011.



The FunderFinder team wishes you a lovely Holiday and a Happy New Year 2011!



Don't miss out on our special edition about the Marie Curie Program January/February 2011