

## Essential UiB-info

Preparing your application:

[Letter of intent](#)

- mandatory for UiB EU applicants

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

- [application form](#)

## Other helpful links

[Research Participant portal](#) (EU, replaces CORDIS)

[RCN \(NFR\) homepage](#)

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## Funding soon to be found – Horizon 2020 Special Interview



What: National Contact Point and RCNs project leader for Horizon 2020

Who: Till Christopher Lech

When: Till will visit UiB again on May 27<sup>th</sup> for our EU week

How does the Research Council prepare for participation in Horizon 2020?

In short, the Research Council's preparations cover three areas:

a) Our internal organization, in terms of a tighter integration and better coordination of national activities and ERA, as well as setting up the Norwegian NCP network;

b) A close dialogue with the R&D communities and other stakeholders in order to raise awareness and getting the institutions prepared for H2020;

c) The dialogue with Brussels, in order to get important information about H2020 as early as possible and use the channels available to make the Norwegian interests heard.

2) What can researchers in Norway do to be informed about developments in the new framework program?

Right now, researchers should follow closely with the developments in H2020. These days, the Commission is gathering input from advisory groups and other stakeholder platforms for the first calls in H2020. My best advice would be to contact the Research Council's National Contact Points (NCPs) for FP7 for more information on these processes. [information from the UiB advisers: you can either contact us or the National Contact points (NCPs), their names and areas of expertise can be found [here](#), please cc us on conversations so that we can help you to follow up]

3) Why should researchers participate in Horizon 2020?

Horizon 2020 offers a very broad range of opportunities, from funding for ground-breaking basic research to collaborative projects addressing societal challenges and innovation. Maybe even more important, H2020 provides access to new networks of collaboration partners and knowledge, recruitment opportunities and getting involved in a process that may change Europe's future.

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## Work abroad or hire a postdoc from anywhere in the world: Marie Curie individual fellowships - last call in FP7 – deadline August 14<sup>th</sup>

The Marie Curie individual fellowships are a good way to explore Europe and the world or to recruit junior researchers from all over the world to your research group. No matter if you are a principal investigator who knows a potential fellow or if you would



like to use the stipend to work abroad, the advisers will be happy to help you. The deadline is August 14<sup>th</sup> 2013. From this year RCN will top up your salary also if you currently work in Norway and receive a Marie Curie stipend to work in another country. You can apply in one of the three schemes:

**Intra European Fellowship IEF**- spend up to 24 months in another European or associated country. [More information](#).

**International Outgoing Fellowship IOF**- spend up to 24 months in a country outside of Europe (for example the US, Canada or Japan) and have a 12 month return phase to Europe. [More information](#)

**International Incoming Fellowship IIF**- hire a fellow from outside of Europe to bring new knowledge to your research group. [More information](#)

We will have an information meeting about Marie Curie stipends on April 25<sup>th</sup> 13:30-15:00 in Vilvite conference rooms C/D.

## Young researchers get their own program in RCNs FRIPRO research program

From this year on young researchers get their own line of funding in RCNs FRIPRO call for research projects. To qualify, the applicants should be 39 years or younger and 2-8 years after PhD. They should demonstrate the ability to perform independent research. It is not yet clear how much of FRIPROs total budget of 738 mill. kr will be used for this action, but there will be a "fellesløft" this year, where the universities will use own money to finance proposals with high score which could not be funded by RCN due to budgetary reasons. Deadline 29.5.2013, the call will be published in mid-April. You can find updates on [RCNs FRIPRO](#) pages.

## Update yourself on Horizon 2020 and mark the date for UiBs EU week

Mark the week of May 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> in your calendar, as our adviser team together with selected external presenters intends to give you a lot of insight into the new EU framework program, which is currently being developed in Brussels. On May 27<sup>th</sup> Dr. Sean McCarthy will present his course on "Getting ready for Horizon 2020" at "Egget" and on May 28<sup>th</sup> we will update you on the current developments in the ERC and Marie Curie programs. May 29<sup>th</sup> we will be at the faculties, we will come back with details.

## RCNs newsletter on EU funding

Please be aware the Research Council of Norway will no longer send out paper copies of their publication on EU funding. You will receive an electronic news update every Friday, but this requires that you sign up for the service (click on EU research) on this [page](#). The service is also available in English but from personal experience we see that you will get more information in the Norwegian version.

## Horizon 2020 Advisory Groups are seeking Experts – register now

Experts from all fields of research can participate in shaping the agenda of Horizon 2020. Expressions of interest sent at this time will be taken into account for the renewal of advisory groups at the end of each mandate. Link to the [call and application forms](#) and the [call text](#)

## Marie Curie Career Integration Grant CIG

Researchers of any nationality who have (or will) come to UiB to take up their first permanent post after they worked abroad can apply for a Marie Curie Career Integration Grant (CIG). This scheme will most likely not continue in Horizon 2020. Researchers can apply for a lump sum of 25.000 € to support a project annually over 4 years that can be used as needed, for example to buy equipment, travel, pay publication fees, etc. If this could be of interest for you or a new colleague, please contact the advisers about eligibility rules and help with the proposal. The last deadline in 2013 will be 18.9.2013. More information on the [Participant Portal](#).

## New funding opportunities in the EEA and Norway Grants plus Scholarship Fund



Norwegian researchers who have cooperation partners in Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Greece, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia or Spain will soon be able to apply for research grants from the EEA/Norway grant scheme (total budget €1.79 billion). Please update yourself on [EEA/Norway homepage](#) or contact the advisers.

## Subscribe to FunderFinder via our Mailinglist

To get our newsletter out to the growing group of interested subscribers, the UiB IT department has generated a FunderFinder mailinglist that you can subscribe to. We hope this will make life a bit easier for you and us. To subscribe, please click [here](#) (you can unsubscribe at any time!). Please use a UiB mail address: in order to give UiB employees a custom-tailored information system, we reserve the right to **remove non-UiB mail addresses** at any time.

## Overview of EU FP7 calls published in July 2012:

Please contact the FunderFinder team if you have questions, our contact details can be found on the first page. Remember that [project establishment support \(PES\)](#) is available at the Division of Research Management for UiB researchers participating in EU proposals. Projects for the European Research Council (ERC) and Marie Curie actions are thematically open for all scientific disciplines.

**Marie Curie Actions:** It is currently possible to apply for individual fellowships (IEF, IOF, IIF) and Career Integration Grants. Please contact the advisers if you need more information and help. [Work program People/Marie Curie program](#) [IPR guidance brochure](#) for projects with China

**Thematic programs** – Most of the calls in the thematic programs have closed, please check the list below and our deadlines list, to see which programs still have open deadlines.

Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) call [11](#)- 16.4.2013; [ICT work program](#)

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 revised First Aid-document** for UiB-researchers interested in FP7 can be found [here](#)

**Call specific guides for applicants** will be made available under each call on the [EU participant portal 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

**25.4.2013 Marie Curie information meeting** VilVite, Bergen

**22.-23.5.2013 Workshop for leaders of national infrastructure programs, Værnes.** [Info and registration](#)

**27.-29.5. 2013 EU week, University of Bergen**

**17.-19.6. 2013** Fourth annual Meeting in the Nano-network program in Bergen- [information and registration](#)

**30. - 31.10.2013** RCNs Klimakonferanse 2013, mark the date, more information will soon be posted on [this page](#)



## Other open and upcoming calls

Link to [deadlines list](#)

The **European Science Foundation (ESF)** has launched a new call for exploratory workshops to be held in 2014. Deadline 18.4.2013. More [information](#).

**Horizon 2020 ICT public consultation** open until 15.4.2013 – more [information](#)

**New COST trans-domain scheme:** COST is a networking action which now also can fund proposals covering more than one domain. Deadlines 27.3. and tentatively 27.9.2013 [COST website](#)

**COST needs new experts** - women are especially encouraged to apply. More [information](#).

**Bergen Medisinsk Forskningsstiftelse** - new call for proposals. Research utilizing opportunities in health registries, biobanks and larger complex research infrastructures. [Information and call text](#). Deadline 13.5.2013

**Novo Nordisk exploratory pre-seed grant** for commercialization of biomedical research findings-deadline 30.4.2013. [Information leaflet](#).

The European Commission intends to award up to three **EU Prize for Women Innovators 2014**. Female researchers, who have brought about outstanding innovations to the market are very welcome to apply. Deadline to submit applications: 15 October 2013. [FP7-CDRP-Women-Innovators](#)

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