International mobility funding options for doctoral students
Objective

- The aim of this session is to provide you with information about some programs that offer opportunities to gain international experience during your PhD.

- Focus on opportunities for short-term research stays, internships, and conferences.
Agenda

- Erasmus+ PhD Short Term Mobility
- Erasmus+ Doctoral Mobility for Traineeships
- DAAD Congress Travel Program
- DAAD Research Scholarships for Doctoral Students
- Doctoral Fund (UnKN)
- UnKN Institutional Networks and Alliances
- Planning your stay abroad
- Menti-Survey and Testimonials
International mobility funding options Erasmus+ and DAAD
Erasmus+ Short-Term Mobility for PhD Students

- all enrolled/employed PhD Students
- short-term stays within Europe at Erasmus+ Department/University Partner Institution (IIA)
- activities: principle “beneficial towards your PhD degree”

| research skills | • research training, tutorials, workshops, seminars, methods, mentoring |
|conducting research work | • work on publication, access unique resources (research infrastructures), data analysis/collection |

Not eligible activities: scientific conferences and language courses

Not eligible countries: UK and Switzerland
Erasmus+ Short-Term Mobility for PhD Students

- **benefits:** short-term stay abroad (5-30 days), flexible, some financial support

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3 Weeks = 15 Working Days -> (14 days á 70€ + 1 day á 50€) = 1.030 € + by train or bus + 50€ = 1.080 € + long distance travel (>8-12 hours) + 2 days á 50€ = **total grant 1.180 €**
Erasmus+ Short-Term Mobility for PhD Students

Application Procedure

• involve your supervisor and find a host, develop a working plan

• application form  - 6 week before your planned mobility

• some paperwork with the partner university upon approval

• 70 % grant allocation before your trip (30% upon return)
Erasmus+ Short-Term Internship for PhDs

- all enrolled PhD Students

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* long-term internship 2 - 4,5 months with different funding conditions and more eligible countries

Not eligible: EU institutions /organisation managing EU programmes, UK and Switzerland
Erasmus+ Short-Term Internship for PhDs

benefits

- short-term (5-30 days)
- alongside your doctoral studies or afterwards (1Y)
- financial support: same as for Erasmus+ Short-Term Mobility
- opportunity for intersectorial mobility
- can be combined/extended with a virtual component
DAAD The German Academic Exchange Services

- largest funding organisation in the world supporting the international exchange of students and scholars
- a database for scholarships with a wide range of funding programmes for PhD students
DAAD Congress Travel Program

- grants for active participation in congresses and conferences of PhD students who are employed at a German university
- eligible measures: presentation of a poster or talk; leadership of a panel with own talk
- not eligible: lectures outside of conferences and congresses; participation in teaching activities
- grants for travel, accommodation, and material costs
- amount of funding for 2024:
  - in-presence events: travel distance-depended grants
  - online participation: participation or registration fee, membership for max. 1 year, abstract fees
- application deadline: 4 months before the start of the event at the latest
- detailed information and online application on the webpage of the DAAD
DAAD Research scholarships for doctoral students

- PhD students enrolled or employed at a German university, citizenship is not relevant

- grants for research project stays abroad as part of a doctorate (1-12 months) at Universities, non-university research institution; archival stays and field research also possible without connection to an institution

- monthly scholarship rate depending on the host country; travel allowance, DAAD insurance; monthly flat rate for research and conference costs

- optional benefits and support: subsidy for language course or tuition fees, family benefits; trips in the host country related to the project; subsidy for chronic illness

- call and application: 3 x in year → March 15, 2024, selection in May/June; scholarship September 2024

- detailed information and online application on the webpage of the DAAD
International mobility
University of Konstanz
**Doctoral Fund**

- internal funding from the University of Konstanz to support doctoral researchers in establishing research network

- grants up to 5,000 € to finance conference trips, research stays, data collection, organization of workshops

- application is possible for all accepted doctoral researchers from the University of Konstanz

- several doctoral researchers can apply jointly for funding a retreat

- applications can be submitted at any time

- application deadlines:
  - 15 January (earliest funding start: 1 March)
  - 15 April (earliest funding start: 1 June)
  - 15 June (earliest funding start: 1 August)
  - 15 October (earliest funding start: 1 December)

- detailed information on the [webpage](#) of the Konstanz Research School
Institutional Networks and Alliances

23 Universities in 16 European Countries: UK, Ireland, Finland, Norway, Denmark, Belgium, Netherlands, France, Italy, Spain, Portugal, Croatia, Austria, Cyprus, Poland

• **YERUN Research Mobility Awards for Early Career Researchers** – €1000 lump sum for virtual or physical short research mobility, to design or realize a research collaborative project → annual call

• **YERUN Summer Schools for PhD’s** on transferable skills
Institutional Networks and Alliances

10 Universities: Birmingham, Cologne, Florence, Inalco, Linnaeus, Murcia, Nantes, Santiago de Compostela, Semmelweis, Taras Shevchenko Ukraine

Open lectures, PhD Workshops, PhD Scientific Days, Research Training Academy

Brows opportunities ....
International mobility
Planning your stay abroad
Outgoing Centre

- offers non-academic support and individual consultations for doctoral researchers and PostDocs

Services

- safety advice and preventive health measures
- secondments
- visa, work permits
- childcare, enrollment in schools abroad
- finding housing
- withdrawing cash, opening a bank account
- telephone and internet access
- infrastructure and driving licences
- Contact: outgoing.centre@uni-konstanz.de
Planning your Stay Abroad

Decision matrix

What do I want to do?
- conference visit
- research stay
- internship

How long do I want to stay abroad?
- short term (up to 2 months)
- long term (longer than two months)

Where do I want to go?
- Europe
- global

Where can I get funding?
- external programme
- internal programme

Advisory service at the University of Konstanz, e.g. International Office

Be careful of **application deadlines** and long procedures! Consider applying to several programs at once.
Planning your Stay Abroad

**Timeline**

- **Before the Application**
  - Think about what you want to do
  - Research stay, attend a conference, internship, ...?
  - Where?
  - How long?

- **Prepare documents**
  - e.g., application form, research plan, letter of recommendation by home supervisor

- **Discuss**
  - the project and feasibility with home and guest institution

- **Find suitable program(s) for your stay abroad**
  - Further information [here](#)

- **Prepare your stay**
  - e.g., visa, accommodation
  - The Outgoing Centre provides helpful information

- **Acquire any required documents**
  - (see respective program information) e.g., confirmation of stay, transcript of records

- **During Stay**
  - Approval
  - Rejection

- **After Your Stay**
  - Don't worry and consider applying for an alternate program!

Check whether you need to submit documents after your stay
- e.g., report, receipts, confirmation of stay
International mobility
Mentimeter Survey and Testimonials

https://www.menti.com/alub99yyucdv
Thank you for your attention!

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