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Information from TEK Innovation

TEK Innovation at MCI

TEK Innovation will be at MCI every second week. Request a meeting or drop by the TEK Innovation office at MCI, if you have questions regarding external funding. **Time:** May 11 and 25

Workshops and information meetings at SDU

ERC Starting and Consolidator grants master class

The SDU Grants Office and the local research support offices are hosting a one day Master Class on how to write a competitive application for ERC Starting and Consolidator Grants. To guide us through the Master Class we have engaged Yellow Research – a consultancy with vast experience in ERC. The Faculty of Engineering has 5 seats to the Master Class, so prioritizing may be required. **Time and Place:** May 17 from 9:00 AM to 15:30 PM in room 099

Marie Sklodowska-Curie Individual Fellowship master class

The SDU Grants Office is hosting a **Marie Sklodowska-Curie proposal writing master class.** At the master class, participants will receive crucial insights on how to write Marie Sklodowska-Curie "Individual Fellowship"(MSCA-IF) applications. Anyone that has not been in Denmark more than 12 months within the last three years is can apply for a MSCA-IF. This funding opportunity can be used for recruiting excellent foreign researchers to your group.

The first day of the master class will be led by a consultant from Yellow Research with extensive experience in EU funding in general and the Marie Sklodowska-Curie program in particular. The second day will be hosted by local staff from the research support offices at SDU.

Time and Place: 18th of May 2016 at 9:30 AM to 16:00 PM in room 099 19th of May at 10:00 AM to 15:00 PM in room 077

Willum Young Investigator: Information meeting with a former council member

The Faculty of Natural Science is hosting a meeting on Thursday 19 May 2016, where former council member for the Villum Young Investigator Program, professor Peter Roepstorff, BMB, together with Associated Professor and VF-YIP grantee Jonathan Brewer, BMB, and Suport Office Science will discuss with you how to make a competitive application for this program and how your application is evaluated. **Time**: Thursday 19 May 2016 from 10:00 to 12:00.

Place: BMB Seminar Room

Registration: Please sign up for the meeting by mail to Conny Wang Hansen – cwhansen@sdu.dk

Relevant workshops and information meetings

Information meeting on JTI Bio-Based Industries

The public private partnership JTI Bio-Based Industries has announced the BBI Call 2016 with 188.6 MEUR for funding bio-based projects. The event, to be held at DTU will offer guidance on how to take part in the 2016 Call, including tips and tricks on writing and submitting proposals.

The BBI call 2016 cover new bio-based economy research and support actions, demonstrators and flagships bio-refineries. More information available <u>here</u>

Time and Place: **May 17**, 2016 from 01:15 PM to 04:15 PM at Danish Technical University (DTU). **Registration**: Sign up by **May 12th** 2016 by e-mail to Pia Nord-Larsen, DTU: <u>pinl@kt.dtu.dk</u>. Write BBI info meeting as subject line.

The Danish Council for Research and Innovation Policy (DfiR) conference 2016: Knowledge of international format

DfiR is hosting a conference focusing on the reasons for the high international format that Danish research have. DFiR will present a series of recommendations on how the high level is maintained and enhanced.

Time and place: **June 9**, 2016 from 13:00 to 17:00 at Axelborgsalen, Vesterbrogade 4A, 1620 København V **Registration**: Sign up <u>here</u>. Please note that the number of seats is limited.

Danish public funding:

DFF – Danish Council for Independent Research

DFF has decided to suspend the Sapere Aude Research Talent and Advanced grants in addition to individual post doc grants as a result of the reduction on the Councils budget in 2017. Instead DFF launches a new instrument, the international post doc grant, for talented young researchers. The grants will be awarded to researchers at postdoc level who spend at least one and a half out of two years at one or more universities abroad. More information about this new instrument will be available when DFF publish their call during the summer of 2016.

EUopSTART

EUopSTART offers grants for preparing proposals for Horizon2020 and other European research and innovation programs. The aim of EUopSTART is to intensify Danish research institutions and enterprises' participation in European research and innovation.

The grant can be used for salaries, travel expenses and consultancy. It is only possible to apply for EUopSTART for phase one in two-phased applications except for the SME instrument. The E-grant system is open for applications from now and until the third cut-off date on October 31, 2016. Further details regarding the 2016 call can be found <u>here</u>

Deadlines in 2016: May 13, August 29, and October 31

Innovation Fund Denmark - Industrial PhD projects

IFD calls for proposals for <u>Industrial PHD projects</u> An Industrial PhD is an industrially focused 3-year research project and PhD education, conducted jointly by a private sector company (or public institutions), an Industrial PhD candidate and a university. The Industrial PhD candidate is employed by the company and at the same time enrolled at the university. The candidate spends all her/his working time on the research project and PhD education, and divides the working time between the company and university. The company is the formal applicant. Please note that the Innovation Fund has opened this funding opportunity for public institutions for the round of applications with deadline on September 19, 2016. The aim of Industrial PhD Program is:

- To educate researchers at a PhD level with knowledge about industrially focused research and innovation
- To create growth in the Danish business community by increased cooperation on research and innovation between universities and privately held companies
- To facilitate knowledge transfer and networking between Danish companies and researchers at universities in DK and abroad.

Deadline: 19 September at 12:00

Innovation Fund Denmark (IFD) – Industrial Postdoc

The Innovation Fund offers funding opportunities for <u>Industrial post doc grants</u>. The grants are offered to support the development of research capacities in promising individuals through their performance of specific R&D projects run jointly by enterprises and research institutions. **Deadline: 19 September** at 12:00

Research stays at Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)

The Ministry of higher education and science has signed a partnership agreement with MIT. The agreement provides up to 10 PhD students and post docs at Danish institutions with the possibility to get a fellowship as guest researcher at MIT. The guest researcher is responsible for salary, insurance as well as cost for accommodation and other living expenses. The grant covers the tuition at MIT for up to 6 months for PhD students and 12 month for post docs. There may also be given a pre-paid scholarship of DKK 15,000 to cover the costs of travel and accommodation. Only PhD students and post docs within the following research fields are eligible for a research fellowship: Biology, biotechnology, chemistry as well as the pharmaceutical field. **Deadlines: May 24 at 1**2:00

The Danish Ministry of the Environment – MUDP

Call open for applications under the MUDP program for development-, testing-, and/or demonstration projects within all subjects supported by MUDP. More information available <u>at their webpage</u> The overall aim with this program is to promote the development and application of new effective environmental solutions to prioritized environmental challenges, and to support growth and employment. The financial support from MUDP is from DKK 0.5 million up to DKK 5 million. **Deadline: May 23, 2016** at 12:00

The Danish National Research Foundation (Grundforskningsfonden) - Centers of Excellence

The Danish National Research Foundation (DNRF) invites researchers to submit outline proposals for <u>Centers</u> of <u>Excellence</u>. The foundation welcomes outstanding research of a high international caliber that may be described as ambitious, highly creative, original, scientifically daring, and potentially groundbreaking. Centers can be established within and/or across all scientific areas: Humanities, Life Sciences, Natural Sciences, Social Sciences and Technical Sciences. Excellence in conducting outstanding research is the main criterion when assessing applications for new centers.

Deadline for outline proposals: 6 June at 12:00

Danish private funding:

The Velux Foundations – VILLUM Young Investigator

The aim of the <u>VILLUM Young Investigator program</u> is to fund particularly talented younger researchers (age below 40) in technical and natural sciences. Applicants must be able to show independent and original accomplishments, creativity, and potential to become leaders within her/his field of research. Applicants must have a clearly defined research goal for the next 5 years and of such scope that it requires the formation of a research group. The call is targeted experienced postdoctoral researchers, assistant professors and associate professors who have no more than 2 year's standing.

The grant amount is 7-10 mio DKK and can be used to fund Postdoc researchers, PhD students, equipment, technicians and administrative assistance and other customary project expenses.

For applicants already holding a tenured position the costs for own salary are not eligible.

Salary for non-tenured applicants can be partly or fully covered by the grant if required.

Deadline: June 20, 2016

The Velux Foundations – VILLUM Investigator

The aim of <u>the Villum Investigator Program</u> is to support researchers who have the potential to make significant contributions to technical and natural sciences.

It is expected that the VILLUM Investigators identify and pursue significant research questions and that they push their chosen research fields and/or methods into new areas of investigations.

Applicants to the VILLUM Investigator Programme are expected to be active researchers who have a track record of significant and excellent research achievements in the last 10 years.

The grant is for six years, after which period, grantees are permitted to reapply in competition with other applicants. The grant total is DKK 20-40 million, including start-up costs, and a proportion of the grant must be used for hiring a secretary, assistant or the like to relieve the researcher of administrative burdens. The research must be conducted at a Danish research institution.

Deadline: September 28 at 14:00

Den Danske Maritime Fond

Call open for applications to <u>Den Danske Maritime Fond</u>. The aim of the Fund is to provide financial support for initiatives and measures that can serve to develop and promote Danish shipping and / or Danish shipyard industry. There is no detailed criteria for the types of activities the Foundation wants to promote, but the Board like applications for activities that are innovative and business oriented and thus able to be commercialized.

Deadline: 12 August and 25 October 2016

The Novo Nordisk Foundation

Call for nominations for the 2017 Novozymes prize. The purpose of the Prize is to raise awareness of basic and applied biotechnology research.

Awardees must have a current position at a public or non-profit research institution in a European country, but awardees can have any nationality.

The Prize will be awarded by a committee established by the Novo Nordisk Foundation, and the prize winner will be selected by the committee based on the nominations received.

The Prize is of DKK 3 million, and it is awarded for a predominantly European contribution.

Deadline for nominating a candidate is June 1, 2016

International funding:

Nordic Committee for food research call for support to workshops/seminars/conferences

The aim of this call is to promote Nordic research and innovation efforts in the agricultural and food sectors by supporting the following activities: workshops, seminars or conferences with high scientific quality assured by a scientific advisory group or equivalent.

Researchers at research institutions in the Nordic countries including the autonomous areas (Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden and the autonomous areas Faroe Islands, Greenland, and Åland Islands) are eligible to apply. Stakeholders may be involved, but cannot be main applicants. Participants from research institutions in countries outside the Nordic region may participate in the project group, but cannot be main applicants. Applicants are encouraged to include PhD students and younger researchers in the activity. Total budget of the call is SEK 1 000 000. The maximum amount to apply for is 200 000 SEK (e.g. larger conferences with more than 100 participants) and the funds applied for shall cover a maximum of 50% of the total budget for the activity. Own financing may comprise in-kind financing. More information availbale at their <u>webpage</u> Deadline May 27 2016, 24:00 CET.

OECD's Co-operative Research Programme (CRP) on biological resources in agriculture

Calls for proposals to Research Fellowships and Conference Sponsorship within one of the 3 following research themes:

- Managing capital for the future
- Managing risks in a connected world
- Transformation technologies and innovation

More information available here: http://www.oecd.org/agriculture/crp/

Research Fellowship

Sponsorship of scientists to conduct research projects in a different OECD member country with a view to strengthening the international exchange of ideas and increasing international mobility and co-operation. CPR supports transportation and subsistence costs to research scientists who should have 4 years of postdoctoral training, have a long-term renewable position, and are from member countries to conduct research in a laboratory in another Member country. Fellowships may be from 6 to 26 weeks. **Deadline**: Fellowships to take place in 2017 must be applied for before **September 10, 2016**.

Conference Sponsorship

Sponsorship or co-sponsorship of international conferences, workshops, symposia, congresses, with a view to informing policy makers, industry and the academic world of current and future research, scientific developments and opportunities on issues relevant to the CRP and the OECD's policy priorities. Eligible costs are expenses for invited speakers (travel and subsistence costs) for conferences to take place in 2017.

Deadline: 10. September, 2016

European Research Council grants (ERC)

Three ERC frontier research grants: Starting; Consolidator; and Advanced Grants will be available under The <u>ERC Work Programme 2016</u>

Advanced Grant: Call Opens 24 May 2016, Deadline 1 September 2016

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowships

The goal of MSCA-Individual Fellowships is to enhance the creative and innovative potential of experienced researchers, wishing to diversify their individual competence in terms of skill acquisition through advanced training, international and intersectoral mobility.

Individual Fellowships provide opportunities to acquire and transfer new knowledge and to work on research and innovation in a European context (EU Member States and Associated Countries) or outside Europe. The scheme particularly supports the return and reintegration of researchers from outside Europe who have previously worked here. It also develops or helps to restart the careers of individual researchers that show great potential, considering their experience.

The Fellowship is based on an application made jointly by the researcher and the beneficiary in the academic or non-academic sectors.

Call opens: 12 April 2016, Deadline: 14 September 2016

Other funding opportunities

You may find further information about other funding opportunities at <u>our web site</u> under "<u>Funding</u> <u>opportunities</u>" Here you will also find a new <u>Funding and career tool</u> SDU Go have made in cooperation with the research support units at the other faculties. The tool can extract the funding programs that are relevant for your career stage.

Contact TEK Innovation

TEK Innovation offer advice and support throughout the entire application process. We will be prepared to provide interested researchers with all the support needed in order to prepare their proposals. Please contact us to make arrangements!

For further information or easy access to funding deadlines and funding opportunities, visit our <u>web site</u>.

Best Wishes

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