

TEK Innovation

Current funding opportunities December 2015

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Information from TEK Innovation

TEK Innovation Office at MCI

TEK Innovation will be at MCI at least every second week. Request a meeting or drop by the TEK Innovation office at MCI, if you have questions regarding external funding.

Time: 16th of December

Workshops and information meetings at SDU

DG Information meeting at SDU on applications for Center of Excellence

The Danish National Research Foundation (Grundforskningsfonden) and the University of Southern Denmark invite potential applicants to an [information meeting on Centers of Excellence](#) and the application process, including assessment and selection of applications.

Time: 18 December 2015, Hrs. 13.00-14.30

Place: SDU, Campusvej 55, Auditorium O 100

How to write a competitive grant proposal

A 2 days course for researchers and PhD students. The course targets and will be beneficial for researchers at all career stages.

The **purpose** of this course is to train participants in efficient grant proposal writing, and to provide a deeper understanding of the factors affecting the success of a grant proposal, both in Denmark and internationally. Main focus will be on applying for grants from the Danish Independent Research Council (DFF) and to some extent also other Danish public and private foundations.

The core activity of the course is for each participant to develop a competitive research grant proposal.

The next course (in Danish) takes place on **23 February/15 March 2016**.

The English version of the course will not be available on SDU-Odense campus in spring 2016, but instead held at Aabenraa Sygehus on **13 January/3 February**, and available again on SDU-Odense campus during fall 2016.

The course, [2-Research Grant Proposal](#) (2-Projektansøgning), is module 2 of HR's four-module course series on "Project management for Researchers, but can be taken independently. You are very welcome to **contact** your faculty's [Research Support Unit](#) if you would like to learn more about the course program. Contact [Anette Bjerre Jensen](#) of Competence and Organizational Development with any questions regarding course practicalities.

Course registration and additional info are found [here](#)

Relevant workshops and information meetings

How to Write a Competitive Proposal for Horizon 2020

Half-day course about [how to write a Competitive Proposal for Horizon 2020](#). The aim of this course is to train researchers, research managers and research support services in writing professional and competitive proposals for the Horizon 2020. The course describes the relevance of Horizon 2020 to EU policies, the common problems in proposal writing and the success criteria for proposals. The course provides tips on how to collect information, how to select strategic partners and how to avoid duplication in proposal writing. The final section describes a strategy for proposal writing. The course is offered by Dr. Seán McCarthy.

Time: 28 January, Hrs 09.30 – 13.00

Place: Eigtveds Pakhus, Asiatisk Plads 2G, DK-1448 Copenhagen K

Danish public funding:

Syddansk Vækstforum

[Syddansk Vækstforum \(in danish only\)](#) is offering a range of grants for projects within the focus areas : Sustainable Energy systems, Welfare Technology and Tourism & Design. The grants are funded partly by the European Regional Development Fund/ The Social Fund. The projects have to contribute to the following targets:

- Increased number of innovative SME's
- Increased number of growth-oriented companies

- Improve energy and resource efficiency within SME's
- Reducing energy consumption in cities with more than 30.000 citizens

Especially the target on increased number of Innovative SME's is open for cooperation project with focus on product development & Innovation. The project demands participation of at least 3 regional SME's and a university or other knowledge partner.

Deadline: 1 March for outline proposals

Innovation Fund Denmark - Industrial PhD projects

IFD calls for proposals for [Industrial PhD projects](#). 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.

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.

Deadlines: 7 March and 19 September at 12:00

Innovation Fund Denmark (IFD) – Industrial Postdoc

The Innovation Fund offers funding opportunities for [Industrial Postdoc](#) grants. 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.

Deadlines: 7 March and 19 September 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 new [Centers of Excellence \(CoE\)](#) which may start operating by 1 September 2017.

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:

Den Danske Maritime Fond

Call open for applications to "[Den Danske Maritime Fond](#)". 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: 29 January at 15:00

Energi Fyns Udviklingsfond

The [Foundation supports research and development projects](#) in disciplines concerning energy development and electrical engineering. You can apply for funds for these purposes within a geographical area that includes Funen and the surrounding islands.

Applicants can be individuals, educational institutions, associations and industries. The project applied for must be of benefit to Funen, and it must very well be collaboration between various educational institutions and/or in collaboration with the industry.

Deadline: 29 January at 15:00

The Villum Foundation Research Projects - science and technology

[Research Projects](#) may be applied for by individual researchers who are engaged in **basic science** and **technology** research. The Program does **NOT** comprise health science, medical or biomedical research. To a limited extent, and based on a transparent budget, the Foundation will be ready to cover **overhead costs** directly related to the project concerned. Applicants **must have a permanent position** at a university or research institution.

- Only for major research projects with a budget on more than 0.5 million DKK
- Typically between 2-6 million DKK for 3 years
- Grants cover: salaries for PhD students, postdocs, technical assistance (not permanently employed staff), operating expenses and procurement of major equipment for research purposes, especially in the case of pioneering research.

No deadline

EU funding:

European Research Council grants (ERC)

Three ERC frontier research grants: Starting; Consolidator; and Advanced Grants will be available under The [ERC Work Program 2016](#).

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

Proof of Concept: Call Opens **22 October 2015**, Deadline **16 February, 26 May and 4 October 2016**

ERC - Consolidator Grant

[ERC Consolidator Grants](#) are designed to support excellent Principal Investigators at the career stage at which they may still be consolidating their own independent research team or programme. Applicant Principal Investigators must demonstrate the ground-breaking nature, ambition and feasibility of their scientific proposal.

Consolidator Grants may be awarded up to a maximum of **EUR 2 000 000** for a period of **5 years**, and the Principal Investigator shall have been awarded their first **PhD over 7 and up to 12 years prior to 1 January 2016**.

Deadline: 2 February 2016 at 17:00

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions

The Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions aim to support the career development and training of researchers – with a focus on innovation skills – in all scientific disciplines through international and intersector mobility.

[Innovative Training Networks \(ITN\)](#)

Innovative doctoral-level training providing a range of skills in order to maximise employability

The Innovative Training Networks (ITN) aim to train a new generation of creative, entrepreneurial and innovative early-stage researchers, able to face current and future challenges and to convert knowledge and ideas into products and services for economic and social benefit.

ITN supports competitively selected joint research training and/or doctoral programmes, implemented by partnerships of universities, research institutions, research infrastructures, businesses, SMEs, and other socio-economic actors from different countries across Europe and beyond.

Partnerships take the form of collaborative European Training Networks (ETN), European Industrial Doctorates (EID) or European Joint Doctorates (EJD).

Deadline: 12 January 2016 at 17:00

Other funding opportunities

You may find further information about other funding opportunities at [our web site](#) under “[Funding opportunities](#)” Here you will also find a new [Funding and career tool](#) 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 [web site](#).

The very best **season greetings** from all of us **to all of you!**

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