

Call for Applications

for

Individual Research Scholarships

for Hungarian and International students and researchers

at The Institute of Advanced Studies Kőszeg (iASK)

2018



The Institute of Advanced Studies Kőszeg (iASK) invites applications from all scientific disciplines for the period of 1 April – 30 June and 1 September – 31 December 2018 for the maximum of 6 months*.

Preference will be given to applications focusing on interdisciplinary social sciences and humanities OR to applications from the fields of the natural and technical sciences with a clear indication of interdisciplininarity and social relevance. Topics that directly relate to the research centres and programs of iASK are also preferred. Research proposals should connect theoretical knowledge with practical analysis that has the potential to result in concrete policy recommendations.

The topics of interest for the year of 2018 are as follows:

Polányi Centre:

- a. Interdisciplinary Central European studies
- b. Complexity studies from a social scientific perspective
- c. Democracy, globalization and social-economic polarisation (security, war, violence, changing energy paradigms, water scarcity, causes and consequences of migration)
- d. Past and present traumatised societies and effective forms of conflict resolutions
- e. Interdependent aspects of sustainability (social, economic, institutional, political)
- f. Conflict and cooperation in evolutionary systems and societies

KRAFT: Creative cities and sustainable regions in a global and European context – comparative perspectives

Hankiss Centre (open only for young researchers):

- a. Robotics and ethics
- b. "Third reality" in the information age
- c. Digital humanities trends, applications, results

Big Data (open only for young researchers): data mining and applications of open data analysis for social scientific projects of iASK; teamwork and cooperative research proposals are welcome and highly prioritised

For further details please consult the website: http://www.iask.hu/en/kozpontok/1585

*Please note that the grant period may be less than 6 months depending on the quality of the application. Successful applicants may choose which months to access their grants on site within the periods indicated above.



Applications, where not indicated otherwise, may be submitted in three categories:

1. Young researchers:

Applicants are expected to be:

- ✓ at least at the MA level, preferably a PHD student at a Hungarian or foreign university,
- ✓ a student participating in interdisciplinary post-graduate training,
- ✓ at the ABD level (all but dissertation)

Scholarships in this category are available for the maximum of 4 months.

The maximum monthly stipend awarded is HUF 300,000.

2.) Post- doctoral researchers:

Applicants are expected to have:

- ✓ a PhD/DLA degree,
- ✓ at least 3 years of significant experience in working in research institutions or in teaching at universities,
- ✓ at least 5 publications in national or international refereed journals.

Scholarships are available for a maximum of 4 months.

The maximum monthly stipend awarded is HUF 500,000.

3.) Senior researchers:

Applicants are expected to be:

- ✓ scientific advisors or senior research fellows in academic research institutes, or leading teachers of institutes of tertiary education (habilitated associate professors or professors, i.e. "egyetemi tanár" in the case of Hungarian applicants); or
- ✓ full professors (in the case of international applicants); or
- ✓ having at least 10 years teaching experience in higher education home AND abroad; or
- ✓ at least 10 years of experience leading international projects or institutes, or experience in network organisation, scientific life or in the area of non-governmental organisations realising social goals.
- ✓ In exceptional cases, expert applicants without a doctorate, but with demonstrated outstanding academic and professional records, managerial, artistic achievements or research experience may also apply. These applicants are expected to utilize their



practical experiences and international expertise in higher education or academic research and translate it into academic research and post-graduate training. In these cases, the applicants are expected to be:

- ❖ a senior officer of an international organisation (e.g., UN specialised agencies and autonomous bodies, EU or OECD institutions);
- a senior analyst or consultant for an international think tank;
- an expert with at least 10 years of international professional experience in a relevant subject;
- someone with outstanding artistic experience;
- an internationally renowned expert of social or technological innovation.

Scholarships are available for a maximum of 4 months. The maximum monthly stipend awarded is HUF 1,000,000.



ALL SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS will sign a legal contract with the Institute of Advanced Studies Kőszeg, and perform their academic activities during the grant period.

The application deadline is: December 20, 2017. Applications must be submitted in English.

The working language at the Institute of Advanced Studies Kőszeg is English. Only application packages prepared in English will be evaluated.

Applications are to be submitted electronically (scanned and signed) and in printed form.

Scanned applications should be sent to: scholarship@iask.hu

Printed applications (postmarked latest December 20, 2017 midnight) to:

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Felsőbbfokú Tanulmányok Intézete (Institute of Advanced Studies) Kőszeg, Pf. (PO Box) 4. 9730 Hungary

APPLICATION PACKAGE

Applications should include a completed application form, a research proposal, a signed declaration form, and an academic Curriculum Vitae. Young researchers are to attach 2 professional recommendation letters as well.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

Scoring is based on the professional evaluation of experts in the relevant scientific fields. Notification to applicants will be sent by **February 20, 2018**.

ABOUT THE GRANT

Fellows will receive a monthly stipend; they are not obliged to submit reports on payments made. In order to receive the stipend applicants must have a **Hungarian bank account**. The grants are **tax-free**.

The scholarship **includes** living costs in Kőszeg (housing, food), health insurance, visa costs (if applicable) and travel related to research and professional activities. iASK does not provide extra funds for these expenses.

Fellows are to spend 75% of their grant period in residence in order to take active part in the intellectual life of the institute. Hungarian fellows, who are employed elsewhere are to



provide an official permit from their primary employer reducing their work responsibilities to 25% for the duration of their grant period.

REPORTS AND FOLLOW-UP

Applicants are required to send a **final report** upon the completion of their grant period.

INELIGIBILITY

Applications will be found ineligible if:

- Counterfeit or false data is supplied in the application.
- If the applicant has failed to fulfil the requirements of grants contracted in the last three calendar years before the submission of this application.
- If the applicant acts as an evaluator or decision-maker in the assessment of the applications for this call.
- If the applicant is a (close) relative (as defined in the Civil Code of Hungary) of those acting as evaluators or as decision-makers in the assessment process.

Should any of the grounds for exclusion arise during the grant period, the fellow must notify the institute in writing or via e-mail within 15 days.

All applicants are required to spend 75% of their grant period at the Institute of Advanced Studies in Kőszeg. Applicants unable to comply with this requirement will not be considered, or their grant will be suspended.