



## Coimbra Group Scholarship Programme for Young Researchers from Eastern Neighbouring Countries

Universities of the Coimbra Group offer short-term visits to young researchers from higher education institutions from Eastern neighbouring countries. The main aim of this scholarship programme is to enable scholars to undertake research in which they are engaged in their home institution and to help them to establish academic and research contacts.

The eligible countries for the 2010 edition are the following:

**Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, FYROM, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kosovo, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Mongolia, Montenegro, Serbia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine and Uzbekistan.**

### Eligibility

The scheme is intended for younger academics (normally those under the age of 35). Applicants should be current or recent staff members of a university located in one of the above-mentioned eligible countries or an equivalent higher education institution. Furthermore, in most cases they should be of postdoctoral or equivalent status, although some institutions may offer opportunities to doctoral students. Candidates not currently working at a university should continue to be involved in academic activity and be intending to return to university employment in the future.

### Application Procedure

Candidates may apply for one university only. Applicants will be able to fill in the on-line registration form from **1 February until 15 March 2010** on the Coimbra Group web site: **[www.coimbra-group.eu/sp/](http://www.coimbra-group.eu/sp/)**

Applicants are not expected to provide any documents at this stage, although they may be requested to do so by the university they have applied for at a later stage. Candidates should always indicate the name and contact details of a tutor at the host university. Please note that some universities request applicants to provide, besides name and contact details of a tutor, also proof of acceptance by this tutor (see brochure). Please read the brochure carefully before applying, as each university has specific eligibility criteria.

Information should be submitted in English. After submitting the on-line application a confirmation message will automatically be sent to the e-mail address provided by the candidate. This will be your acknowledgement of receipt. The Coimbra Group Office will not individually acknowledge each application received.

### Selection Procedure

The administrative check of applications will be undertaken by the Coimbra Group Office in order to select candidates who meet the eligibility criteria. The selection of candidates will be undertaken by the host universities. When selection has been agreed upon, the host university may send a letter of invitation directly to the successful candidate. The Coimbra Group Office will contact all candidates and inform them about the result of their application. Successful candidates currently employed by a University are responsible for ensuring that their home institution will grant them leave of absence to undertake the proposed visit.

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## Åbo Akademi University

**Places available:** Two places for PhD students, academic teachers and postdoctoral researchers

**Duration of visit:** Maximum three months

**Fields of research:** Any subject area

**Available facilities:** Access to computer and library. The university will provide assistance in finding accommodation.

**Financial support:** A grant of 900€ /month will be given to cover accommodation, food and local expenses

**Travel Expenses:** The University is unable to assist with the cost of travel

**Insurance:** Health insurance is needed. The University does not provide insurance for visitors.

**Contact person:** Harriet Klavus [hklavus@abo.fi](mailto:hklavus@abo.fi)

## University of Barcelona

**Places available:** One place for PhD students, young researchers or academic teachers

**Fields of study:** In principle, the award may be held in any subject area offered at the University of Barcelona, subject to the approval of the relevant host department.

**Duration of visit:** Up to three months

**Financial support:** The University will cover the cost of reasonable accommodation and food (2000€ /month).

**Travel Expenses:** The University is unable to assist with the cost of travel.

**Available facilities:** Assistance with finding accommodation, access to computer and library.

**Insurance:** The University does not provide insurance for visitors.

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## University of Geneva

**Places available:** One grant for an academic teacher/researcher

**Duration of visit:** Three months

**Fields of study:** Any

**Value of scholarship:** Stipend of CHF 2000 per month for the duration of the stay

**Travel Expenses:** The University is unable to assist with travel costs.

**Insurance:** Should be taken care of by the visitor. If necessary, the host University will provide access to insurance coverage open to its regular students and faculty members.

**Contact person:** Annik Baumgartner [Annik.Baumgartner@unige.ch](mailto:Annik.Baumgartner@unige.ch)



## University of Granada

**Places available:** Two places for PhD students or academic teachers

**Duration of visit:** Up to four months

**Fields of study:** In principle, the award may be held in any subject area in particular Sciences, Arts, Translation, Economics and Business, Civil Engineering, Pharmacy

**Available facilities:** Accommodation, computer access

**Value of scholarship:** 900€/month

**Travel Expenses:** The University is unable to assist with the cost of travel

**Insurance:** The University provides health insurance for visitors

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## University of Graz

**Places available:** 1 place for a PhD student or academic teacher.

**Fields of study:** In principle awards may be held in any subject area offered at the University of Graz, subject to the approval of the relevant host department.

**Duration of visit:** From one to two months. Visitors are expected to arrive at the beginning of either the fall (September) or spring (February) semester.

**Financial support:** The University will provide 700€/month to cover all costs (accommodation, food, other expenses).

**Travel expenses:** The University does not provide reimbursement for travel expenses.

**Available facilities:** Assistance in finding accommodation, access to computer and library.

**Insurance:** The University does not provide insurance for visitors.

**PLEASE NOTE: Candidates should also provide a copy of their passport and an acceptance letter by a University of Graz Member of Academic Staff that the applicant is accepted to contact research under his/her supervision**

**Contact person:** Hildegard Weidacher-Gruber [hildegard.weidacher-gruber@uni-graz.at](mailto:hildegard.weidacher-gruber@uni-graz.at)

## University of Groningen

**Places available:** Two places for PhD or post-doc level scholars.

**Duration of visit:** Minimum and maximum three months.

**Fields of study:** In principle, the award may be held in any subject area, subject to the approval of the relevant host department.

**Available facilities:** Assistance in finding accommodation, access to university facilities (computer, libraries, canteens, etc.).

**Value of scholarship:** €1.190 per month (including housing)

**Travel expenses:** Up to €500 will be reimbursed.

**Insurance:** Health insurance for the duration of the stay can be provided by the university (about €35 per month).

**PLEASE NOTE: Applicants should have already been in touch with a professor before applying and be able to present a reference letter (uploaded in the application) in which the professor agrees to work with the candidate.**

**Contact person:** Regine van Groningen [R.J.van.Groningen@rug.nl](mailto:R.J.van.Groningen@rug.nl)



## University of Heidelberg

**Places available:** One place for young academic teachers or researchers

**Duration of visit:** Up to two months

**Fields of study:** In principle, the award may be held in any subject area

**Available facilities:** Assistance with finding accommodation, introduction and orientation, academic adviser (depending on subject of research)

**Value of scholarship:** The University will provide 750 Euro per month to cover all costs (accommodation, food, other expenses)

**Travel Expenses:** Not guaranteed although individual applications will be considered

**Insurance:** The University does not provide insurance for visitors

**Contact person:** Nicole Dorn [nicoline.dorn@zuv.uni-heidelberg.de](mailto:nicoline.dorn@zuv.uni-heidelberg.de)

## Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iași

**Places available:** Two places for post-doctoral teaching staff/researchers or PhD students

**Fields of study:** All areas of study subject to approval from the relevant department

**Duration of visit:** One month

**Financial support:** Accommodation and meals

**Travel expenses:** The University will cover travel expenses by train or bus

**Available facilities:** Accommodation, office space, computer and library access, canteen

**Insurance:** The University does not provide insurance for visitors.

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## University of Jena

**Places available:** Two places for PhD students or academic teachers per year

**Duration of visit:** One to two months

**Fields of study:** In principle, awards may be held in any subject area represented at Jena University.

**Available facilities:** Accommodation, office space, computer access, telephone, library

**Value of scholarship:** The University will provide 750€/month to cover all costs (accommodation, food and other expenses)

**Travel Expenses:** Up to 500€ will be available for travel expenses

**Insurance:** The University provides health insurance

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## University of Leuven

**Places available:** Three places for academic teachers from Georgia, Ukraine or Moldova.

**Duration of visit:** Two months

**Fields of study:** In principle, the award may be held in any subject area.

**Available facilities:** Assistance with finding accommodation, office space (shared with others), computer and library access

**Value of scholarship:** the University will provide 1600€/month to cover all costs (accommodation, food, and other expenses).

**Travel Expenses:** The University is unable to meet travel expenses

**Insurance:** Besides the scholarship the grantee also receives a third party liability insurance and medical insurance for two months.

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## University of Padova

**Places available:** Two scholarships for PhD students or younger academics (under the age of 35), available from September to June.

**Fields of study:** Visiting scholars will normally be hosted in any subject area of the 13 Faculties.

**Duration of visit:** From one month to a maximum of three months.

**Financial support:** The University will provide 800€/month to cover all costs (accommodation, food, other expenses)

**Travel expenses:** The University will provide up to 500 Euro to cover travel costs.

**Available facilities:** Assistance in finding accommodation, access to university facilities (computers, libraries, canteens)

**Insurance:** The University insurance only covers the academic activities. Visitors should have their own insurance to cover travel, stay health and personal property.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Applicants must contact a tutor at the University of Padova and receive a letter of acceptance before applying for a grant in this scheme.

**Contact person:** Roberta Rasa [roberta.rasa@unipd.it](mailto:roberta.rasa@unipd.it)

## University of Salamanca

**Places available:** Two places for PhD students or academic teachers

**Duration of visit:** One month

**Fields of study:** In principle, the award may be held in any subject area.

**Value of scholarship:** The University will provide accommodation and food

**Travel Expenses:** The University is unable to meet travel expenses

**Insurance:** The University does not provide insurance for visitors

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## University of Siena

**Places available:** One or place for PhD students or young academic teachers

**Duration of visit:** Maximum one month

**Fields of study:** All

**Available facilities:** Accommodation, access to libraries, computer and telephone.

**Value of scholarship:** 250€ per week (up to maximum 4 weeks)

**Insurance:** The University provides accident insurance and public liability insurance. Visitors will require their own health insurance.

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## University of Tartu

**Places available:** 2-3 places for PhD students.

**Fields of study:** Any field, subject to approval from the Head of Department.

**Duration of visit:** Up to 2 months.

**Financial support:** A fellowship of 500€/month to cover food and other expenses, accommodation costs covered (university modern dormitories available)

**Travel expenses:** The University is unable to cover travel expenses.

**Available facilities:** Accommodation, access to computer and library facilities.

**Insurance:** The University will not provide insurance for visitors.

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## University of Turku

**Places available:** One or two places for PhD students

**Duration of visit:** Up to three months

**Fields of study:** In principle awards may be held in any subject area, subject to the approval of the relevant host department

**Available facilities:** Office/laboratory space, access to libraries and computer

**Value of scholarship:** The University will cover the cost of accommodation and a grant of 600€/month will be given to cover food and other expenses. A grant will be given to the same person only once.

**Travel expenses:** The University is unable to assist with the cost of travel

**Insurance:** Health insurance is needed. The University does not provide insurance for visitors.

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