



Coimbra Group Scholarship Programme for Young Researchers from the European Neighbourhood

Universities of the Coimbra Group offer short-term visits to young researchers from higher education institutions from countries in the European Neighbourhood. 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 scholarships are financially supported by the Coimbra Group member universities participating in this programme, while the Coimbra Group Office is in charge of the administrative management of the applications.

The eligible countries for the 2018 edition are listed below. Please note that some Coimbra Group Universities may restrict the eligibility to some of the countries listed below – to find out if your country is eligible, please refer to the “**Remarks**” section in the table at the end of this document.

Albania, Algeria, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Egypt, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Georgia, Israel, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kosovo, Kyrgyzstan, Lebanon, Libya, Moldova, Montenegro, Morocco, the Palestinian Authority, Serbia, Syria, Tajikistan, Tunisia, Turkmenistan, Ukraine and Uzbekistan.

The following Coimbra Group Universities are participating in the 2018 edition of the Coimbra Group Scholarship Programme:

- **Eötvös Loránd University Budapest (Hungary)**
- **University of Granada (Spain)**
- **Karl-Franzens University of Graz (Austria)**
- **University of Heidelberg (Germany)**
- **Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi (Romania)**
- **KU Leuven (Belgium)**
- **University of Padova (Italy)**
- **University of Poitiers (France)**
- **University of Salamanca (Spain)**

Eligibility

Applicants must fulfil all the following criteria:

- be born on or after 1 January 1983
- be nationals of and current residents in one of the above-listed countries
- be current academic staff members of a university or an equivalent higher education institution located in one of the above-listed countries and be of postdoctoral or equivalent status, although some institutions may offer opportunities to doctoral students



Application Procedure

Candidates may apply for one university only. Multiple applications will not be considered valid. Only the universities listed in the table below are taking part in the 2018 edition of the Coimbra Group Scholarship Programme. Applicants will be able to fill in the on-line registration **until 16 March 2018 midnight (Brussels time)** on the Coimbra Group web site: www.coimbra-group.eu/activities/scholarships.

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 must indicate the name and contact details of an academic supervisor at the host university and provide proof of acceptance (a letter or e-mail) by this supervisor where it is clearly stated that he/she is willing to supervise the work of the candidate during the research stay at the Coimbra Group University. This letter should be uploaded on the application form. Applications which do not fulfil this requirement will not be considered.

When submitting an application for a Coimbra Group scholarship, the candidate agrees to allow the Coimbra Group to use their data (name, surname, academic information) for dissemination purposes in connection with the Coimbra Group scholarships.

Information should be submitted in English. **The Coimbra Group Office will individually acknowledge each application received.** Within two weeks of submitting the online application, you should receive an email from the Coimbra Group Office confirming whether your application has been validated or not. This will be your only acknowledgement of receipt. If you do not receive the confirmation message it means that your application was not submitted correctly or there was a technical problem. In that case, please contact info@coimbra-group.eu, **no later than 23 March 2018**.

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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The Coimbra Group

The Coimbra Group, which was set up in 1987, is an association of 39 traditional European universities. It aims to increase co-operation amongst its members by enhancing special academic and cultural ties, and creating channels of information and exchange. More information about the Coimbra Group can be found on the association's website (www.coimbra-group.eu). Further details about the universities taking part in the Scholarship Programme for Young Researchers from the European Neighbourhood may be found by viewing their own web site at the addresses included in the table below.

Please refer to the table below for the specific conditions set by each Coimbra Group University participating in the Scholarship Programme.

University	Number of scholarships	Field	Amount	Duration	Contact	Remarks
Eötvös Loránd University Budapest https://www.elte.hu	1	All the fields offered at Eötvös Loránd University	€1000 per month	minimum 3 months, maximum 6 months	Katalin Öhler katalin.ohler@rk.elte.hu	
University of Granada www.ugr.es www.ugr.university/	2 (for researchers who have completed their PhD)	All www.ugr.es	€800 per month + health insurance + reimbursement of travel expenses up to €800	maximum 3 months	María Virtudes Martín Fernández admonicode@ugr.es	*The University of Granada (UGR) does not provide accommodation to the grant holder. *A pre-admission letter signed by the research tutor at UGR is mandatory in order to be eligible for the grant at this University, which means that the candidate should have prior contact with the UGR professors/officers before applying for the grant.
University of Graz http://www.uni-graz.at/en/	2	All (except Molecular Biosciences) http://www.uni-graz.at/en/university/information/faculties/	€1000 per month + reimbursement of travel expenses up to €300	1 to 2 months	coimbragroup@uni-graz.at	*Available facilities: Access to computer and library. *The university will provide assistance in finding accommodation. *Insurance: Uni Graz does not provide insurance for visitors. * Applicants should establish contact with a supervising professor at the University of Graz before applying and submit a letter of invitation or email correspondence together with the application.
Heidelberg University www.uni-heidelberg.de/	1	All	€1000 per month	maximum 2 months	Nicole Dorn dorn@zuv.uni-heidelberg.de	*Assistance with finding accommodation, introduction and orientation, academic adviser (depending on subject of research). *No travel grant available. *The University does not provide insurance for visitors.
Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iași www.uaic.ro/en/	2 (for doctoral or post-doctoral teaching staff/researchers)	All areas of study subject to approval from the relevant department	subsistence allowance of 1500 RON per month + reimbursement of travel expenses up to 350 EUR + free accommodation in the university campus	minimum 1 month, maximum 3 months	Ioana Serafinceanu ioana.serafinceanu@uaic.ro	*Eligible countries: Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Israel, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Montenegro, Serbia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan. *Remarks: Applicants (either doctoral or post-doctoral) need to be current academic staff members of a university.

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KU Leuven www.kuleuven.be	2	All	€3200 to cover all costs	2 months	An Huts an.huts@kuleuven.be	*Applicants are postdoctoral or equivalent status. *Applicants need to include a pre-acceptance letter signed by a KU Leuven professor, supporting the application as prospective supervisor. *The University will provide assistance in finding accommodation, office space (shared with others), computer and library access. *The scholarship is incompatible with other scholarships/ grants/ allowances.
University of Padova www.unipd.it	2 for PhD students or young academics	All	€850 per month to cover all costs (accommodation, food, and other expenses) + reimbursement of travel expenses up to €500	1-3 months (in the interval September 2018-June 2019)	Fiorella de Gobbi fiorella.degobbi@unipd.it	*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. *Applicants should also have received approval from their tutor in Padova before applying (please include a letter/email from your potential tutor/supervisor at the University of Padova as proof).
University of Poitiers www.univ-poitiers.fr	1	All	€1000 + reimbursement of travel expenses up to €350	1 month	Jean-Marie Pincemin jean.marie.pincemin@univ-poitiers.fr	
University of Salamanca www.usal.es/webusal	1 (for PhD students or academic teachers)	All	the University will provide accommodation and food	1 month	Servicio de Relaciones Internacionales rrii@usal.es	