Funding researchers at risk to join the host organisation

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Project Facts

Title: Initiative to Support, Promote and Integrate Researchers at Risk in Europe

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Objectives

1. Groundwork for a long-term, cross-sectoral, European support structure
2. Contribute to informed policy-making in Europe
3. Bridge the gaps between national and European support mechanisms, between academic and non-academic sectors
4. Improve career development opportunities for researchers at risk
5. Prepare the work environment
6. Grow the diversity of actors supporting researchers at risk

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Speakers

• Marit Egner, Senior Adviser, Department of Research Administration, University of Oslo, Norway

• Karen-Lise Scheie Knudsen, Director, Management Support Unit, University of Agder, Norway

• Prof. Terence Karran, Professor in Higher Education, University of Lincoln, UK

• Dr Stefan Rummel, Head of the Academic Relations Unit, Freie Universität Berlin, Germany

• Sofia Klingberg, Inclusion & Diversity Manager, AFRY Sweden
Topics

• Introduction
• Starting off – searching for funding to host researchers at risk
• Recruiting through EU/MSCA for an Academic Freedom project
• Pros and cons of seeking external funding
• Private sector recruitment
• Questions & Answers

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**Researcher:** “a person active in research, including at a training level, of at least post-graduate or equivalent level”, and includes “all stages of researchers’ careers- be they doctoral candidates or highly experienced researchers”, early stage and more experienced researchers.” (MSCA definition)

**At Risk:** “researchers who are at risk in their countries of origin (due to discrimination, persecution, suffering and/or violence), or are seeking refuge out of these reasons or have recently found refuge in Europe”. (in line with definition in MSCA work programme)

**Host organisation:** Organisation, institution or business welcoming a researcher at risk to do relevant activities in the organisation through employment, fellowship or internship.
Networks and funding programmes

1. Scholars at Risk (university network and support programme, international with country sections)
2. Scholar Rescue Fund (Funding scheme, international)
3. Philipp Schwartz initiative (Funding scheme, Germany)
4. PAUSE (Funding scheme, France)
5. UAF (Coaching and funding scheme, the Netherlands)
6. CARA (University network and support programme, UK)
7. Bridge I and II (European projects 2017-2020)
8. Various national programmes for refugee integration
9. various fellowships not particularly for researchers at risk incl. MSCA

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We kindly invite you to attend the 2020 Inspireurope Virtual Stakeholder Forum. Inspireurope is an EU-funded initiative to support, promote and integrate researchers at risk in Europe.

It is planned that the Forum will be opened by Frédérique Vidal, French Minister of Higher Education, Research and Innovation, and aims to facilitate exchange between key actors in research and innovation in Europe, including individual researchers, higher education networks, research funding agencies, EU and other policy makers in Europe.

Speakers and participants will together explore today's challenges and opportunities in Europe for researchers at risk, including the implications of the global health pandemic on the lives and work of researchers at risk.

Programme and registration available [here](#).
Comments and suggestions

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