Research Funding and Career Opportunities for Young Researchers

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How We Support You

Project Development Support

Guidance in identifying the right funding programs and providing technical and administrative support during proposal preparation

Call-Researcher Matching

Funding calls are carefully matched with researchers' areas of expertise to facilitate access to the most relevant opportunities.

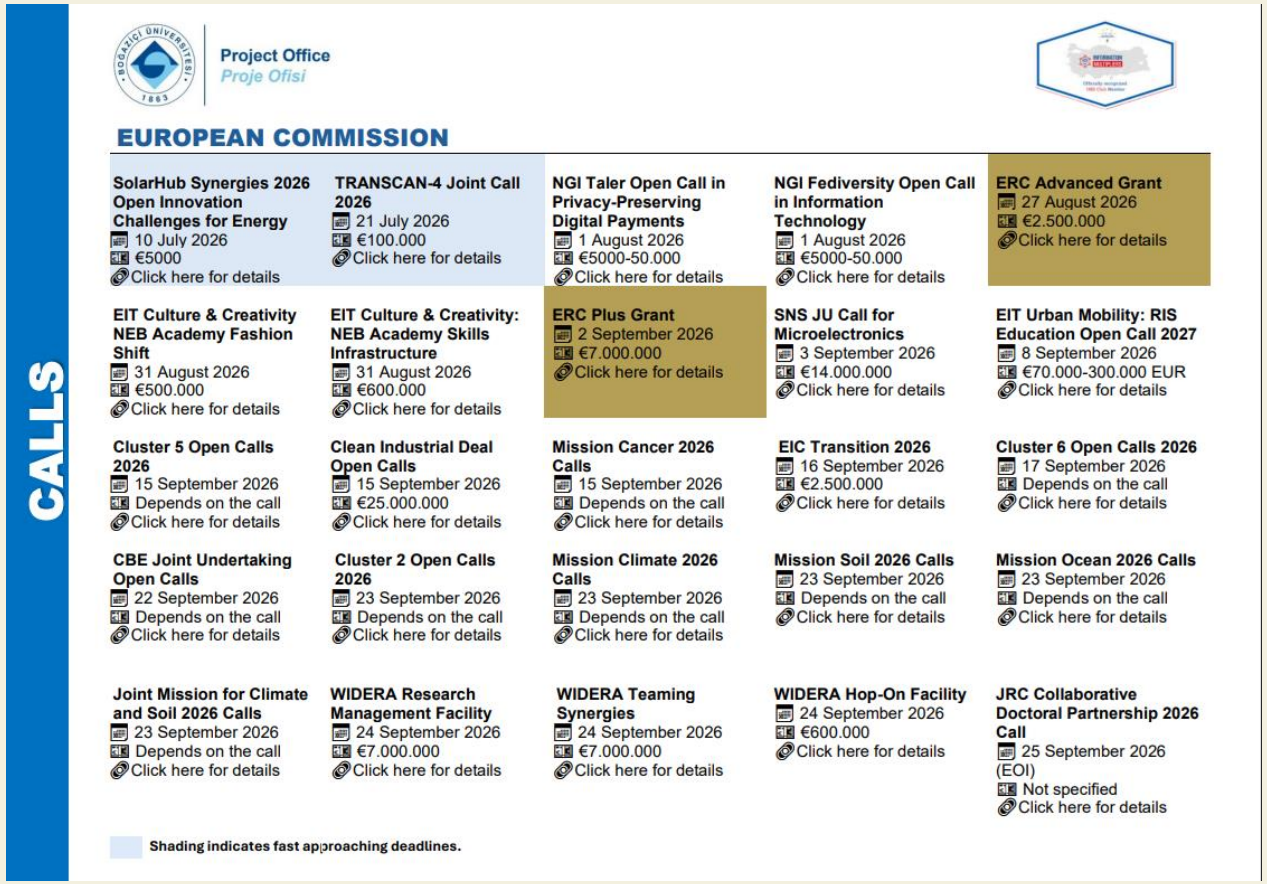
Call Announcements and Monthly Newsletter

National and international funding opportunities are regularly disseminated to our researchers.

Partner Search and Coordination Support

Supporting consortium building by identifying suitable partners and coordinating communication processes with funding agencies

PO Monthly Newsletter



CALLS

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EUROPEAN COMMISSION

SolarHub Synergies 2026 Open Innovation Challenges for Energy
10 July 2026
€5000
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TRANSCAN-4 Joint Call 2026
21 July 2026
€100.000
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NGI Taler Open Call in Privacy-Preserving Digital Payments
1 August 2026
€5000-50.000
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NGI Fediversity Open Call in Information Technology
1 August 2026
€5000-50.000
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ERC Advanced Grant
27 August 2026
€2.500.000
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EIT Culture & Creativity NEB Academy Fashion Shift
31 August 2026
€500.000
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EIT Culture & Creativity: NEB Academy Skills Infrastructure
31 August 2026
€600.000
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ERC Plus Grant
2 September 2026
€7.000.000
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SNS JU Call for Microelectronics
3 September 2026
€14.000.000
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EIT Urban Mobility: RIS Education Open Call 2027
8 September 2026
€70.000-300.000 EUR
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Cluster 5 Open Calls 2026
15 September 2026
Depends on the call
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Clean Industrial Deal Open Calls
15 September 2026
€25.000.000
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Mission Cancer 2026 Calls
15 September 2026
Depends on the call
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EIC Transition 2026
16 September 2026
€2.500.000
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Cluster 6 Open Calls 2026
17 September 2026
Depends on the call
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CBE Joint Undertaking Open Calls
22 September 2026
Depends on the call
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Cluster 2 Open Calls 2026
23 September 2026
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Mission Climate 2026 Calls
23 September 2026
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Mission Soil 2026 Calls
23 September 2026
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Mission Ocean 2026 Calls
23 September 2026
Depends on the call
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Joint Mission for Climate and Soil 2026 Calls
23 September 2026
Depends on the call
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WIDERA Research Management Facility
24 September 2026
€7.000.000
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WIDERA Teaming Synergies
24 September 2026
€7.000.000
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WIDERA Hop-On Facility
24 September 2026
€600.000
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JRC Collaborative Doctoral Partnership 2026 Call
25 September 2026 (EOI)
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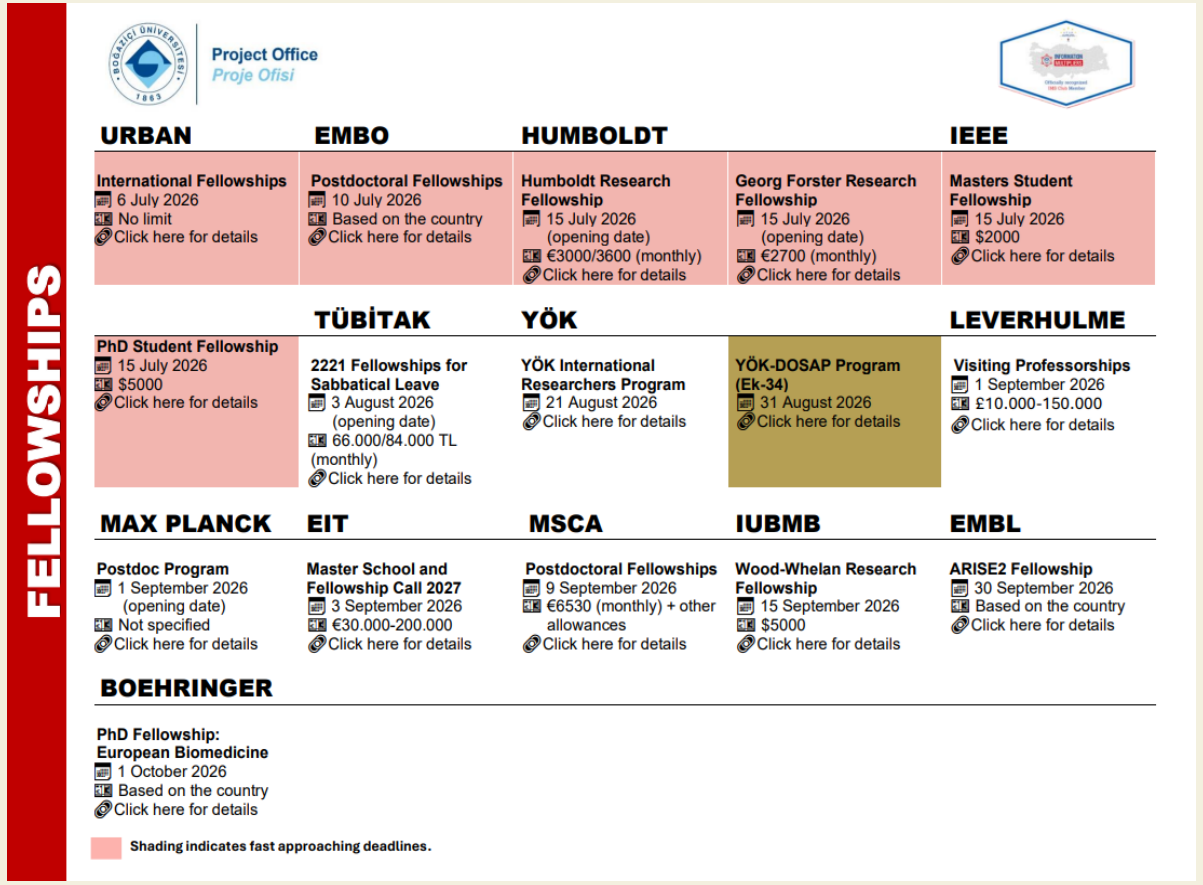

FELLOWSHIPS

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URBAN

International Fellowships
6 July 2026
No limit
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EMBO

Postdoctoral Fellowships
10 July 2026
Based on the country
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HUMBOLDT

Humboldt Research Fellowship
15 July 2026 (opening date)
€3000/3600 (monthly)
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Georg Forster Research Fellowship
15 July 2026 (opening date)
€2700 (monthly)
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IEEE

Masters Student Fellowship
15 July 2026
$2000
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TÜBİTAK

PhD Student Fellowship
15 July 2026
$5000
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2221 Fellowships for Sabbatical Leave
3 August 2026 (opening date)
66.000/84.000 TL (monthly)
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YÖK

YÖK International Researchers Program
21 August 2026
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YÖK-DOSAP Program (Ek-34)
31 August 2026
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LEVERHULME

Visiting Professorships
1 September 2026
£10.000-150.000
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MAX PLANCK

Postdoc Program
1 September 2026 (opening date)
Not specified
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EIT

Master School and Fellowship Call 2027
3 September 2026
€30.000-200.000
Click here for details

MSCA

Postdoctoral Fellowships
9 September 2026
€6530 (monthly) + other allowances
Click here for details

IUBMB

Wood-Whelan Research Fellowship
15 September 2026
$5000
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EMBL

ARISE2 Fellowship
30 September 2026
Based on the country
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BOEHRINGER

PhD Fellowship: European Biomedicine
1 October 2026
Based on the country
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PO Monthly Newsletter

AWARDS

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L'OREAL

International Awards in Physical Sciences, Mathematics and Computer Science
5 July 2026
€100.000
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SCIENCE

Science & SciLifeLab Prize for Young Scientists
15 July 2026
$10.000
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ASU-Science Prize for Transformational Impact
15 August 2026
$30.000
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TÜSEB

TÜSEB Awards
28 July 2026
Depends on the award
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IEEE

Robert Bosch Micro and Nano Electro Mechanical Systems Award
31 July 2026
$10.000
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HFG

Simon Min Sze Education Award for Electron Devices
1 September 2026
$5.000
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Distinguished Scholar in Natural & Social Science
31 July 2026 (LOI)
$15.000-75.000
Click here for details

ABEL PRIZE

International Prize of Mathematics
1 September 2026
7.500.000 NOK
Click here for details

LUNBECK

The Brain Prize
1 September 2026
10.000.000 DKK
Click here for details

NATURE

Wellcome Prize for Mental Health Science
18 September 2026
$250.000/1.000.000
Click here for details

IUPAC

2027 IUPAC-Zhejiang NHU International Award for Advancements in Green Chemistry
30 September 2026
$2000/10.000
Click here for details

2027 Distinguished Women in Chemistry/Chemical Engineering Award
31 October 2026
Not specified
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GAIRDNER

Canada Gairdner International Award in Biomedical Research
1 October 2026
CA$ 250.000
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NAS

National Academy of Science Awards
5 October 2026
Depend on the award
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INFO DAYS

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EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Information Meeting on the Joint Transnational Call for RAMP
2 July 2026
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Webinar: EIT Culture & Creativity - NEB Academy Fashion Shift
8 July 2026
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Webinar: EIT Culture & Creativity - NEB Academy Skills Infrastructure
10 July 2026
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EIT Health Info Day
15 July 2026
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International Virtual Brokerage Event for the MSCA Doctoral Networks 2026 Call
15-16 July 2026
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General Introductory Webinar on the Horizon Europe WIDERA Hop-on Facility Call
20 July 2026
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Opportunities for Undergraduate Students

Undergraduate Funding Pathways



Scholarships

TÜBİTAK 2205 : Top 25,000 in YKS, enrolled in designated basic and social science departments, or those who place in science olympiads and project competitions

TÜBİTAK 2247-C STAR : Provided to students taking part in TÜBİTAK or YÖK ADEP-supported research projects

TÜBİTAK 2224-D : covers short-term scientific training, internships and summer/winter schools.



Grants

TÜBİTAK 2209-A : undergraduate research project support

TÜBİTAK 2209-B: industry-oriented undergraduate research project support

TÜSEB A1: Supports short-term, innovative research projects to develop solutions to human health challenges

ERASMUS+



Internships

ERASMUS+ INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS

İŞKUR YOUTH PROGRAM: Coordinated by İŞKUR, provides public and private sector early career opportunities

BU PART TIME STUDENT PROGRAM

TÜBİTAK 2248 MENTORING SUPPORT: Provided for 2205 Fellowships

Opportunities for Graduate Students

Graduate Funding Pathways

Scholarships

TÜBİTAK 2210 (MSc) and 2211 (Ph.D.) National Scholarships : Offers monthly stipends, allowing total dedication to your dissertation.

TÜBİTAK 2213-A : PhD Fellowship Program for Study Abroad

TÜBİTAK 2250: Graduate Scholarship Performance Program

TÜBİTAK 2214-A: International Research Fellowship Programme for PhD Students

Grants

TÜBİTAK 1002 A/B: Supports short-term, small-budget, and rapid research projects. Applications are open continuously.

TÜSEB A2: Supports short-term, innovative human health research projects led by master's students.

TÜSEB A3: Supports short-term, innovative human health research projects led by PhD, medical specialty or dental specialty students,

Mobility & Careers

ERASMUS+ MOBILITY

CoHE (Council of Higher Education) International Research Programs (YÖK Uluslararası Araştırma Programları): For research assistants; during PhD education: GEP; after graduation: DOSAP.

COST Actions: Funds networking and capacity building rather than the research itself like action meetings, conferences, scientific visits.

Graduate Funding Pathways

COST Actions



Interdisciplinary Networks

- Connects researchers, academia, SMEs, and public sectors.
- You can participate in more than one COST action.
- Increased global academic visibility
- Stepping-stone for Horizon Europe projects



Global Collaboration

- Fosters knowledge sharing and international partnerships.
- May provide first-hand insight into competitive proposal development through collaboration with experienced researchers.

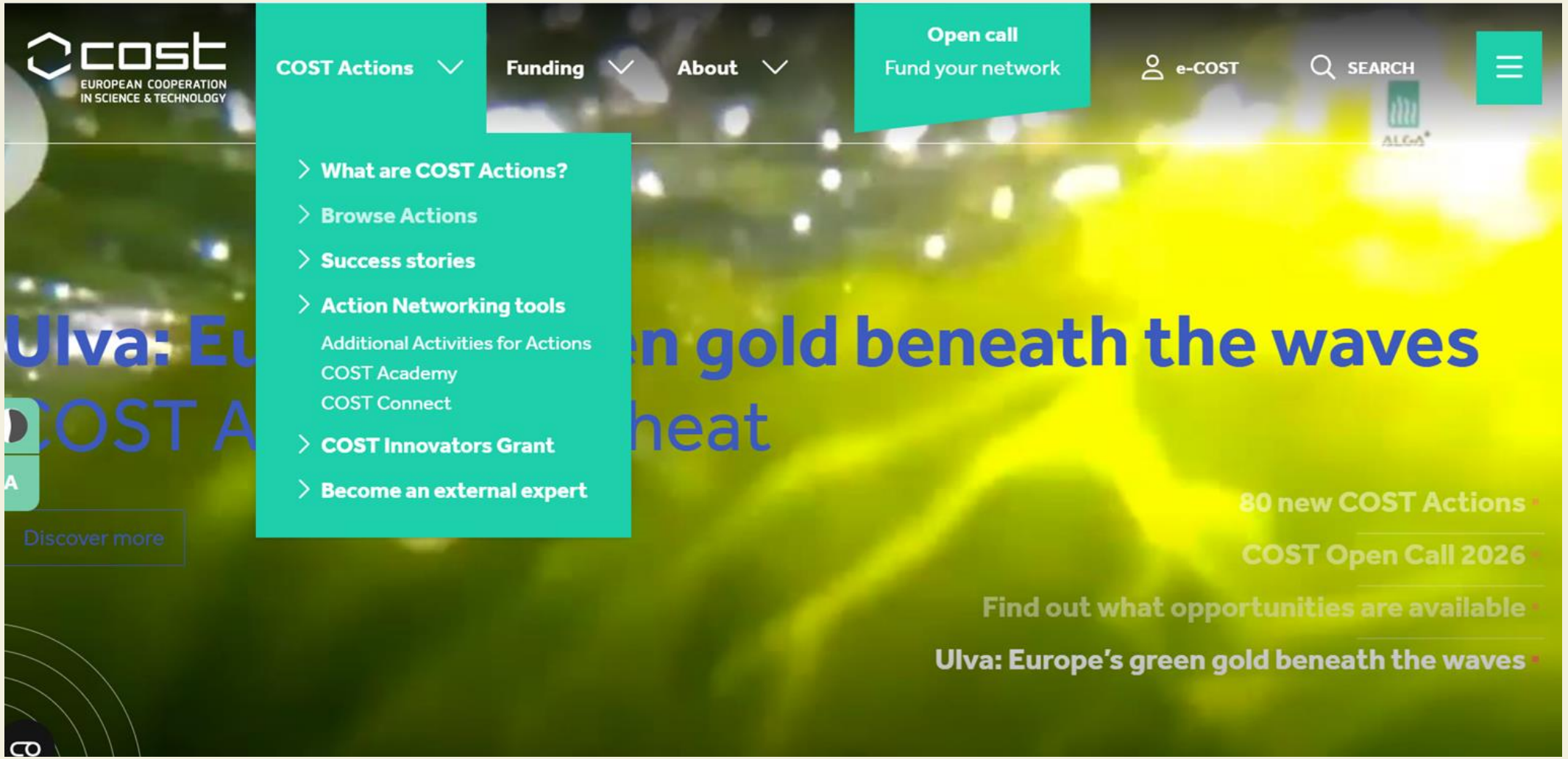


Funded Opportunities

- Travel support (flight & accommodation) for COST Action meetings, conferences, scientific visits, and brokerage events.

Graduate Funding Pathways

COST Actions web-page: cost.eu



Graduate Funding Pathways

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) Doctoral Networks

Target Group

Candidates ready to start a PhD (typically holding a Master's degree).

The Golden Rule

* You must **not** have been **awarded a doctoral degree** at the date of recruitment.
* You must **not have resided or studie**d in the recruiting organisation's country for **more than 12 of the 36 months** before recruitment.

The Mechanism

You are applying for a full-time job. Once hired, you will be formally enrolled in a PhD program at the host university.

For open positions: EURAXESS - Researchers in Motion

Existing PhDs

Can apply if they haven't graduated but must transfer or restart their PhD within the DN program.

Horizon Europe- MSCA DN Portal

EURAXESS - Researchers in Motion

MSCA Doctoral Networks - European Commission

Opportunities for Postdoctoral Researchers

Postdoctoral Funding Pathways

Fellowships

Prestigious funding opportunities designed to support outstanding postdoctoral researchers in national and international scientific landscapes.

TÜBİTAK 2218 National Postdoctoral Fellowship
Supports projects in Türkiye to boost scientific productivity and collaborations. Provides monthly stipend, research grant, and insurance.

TÜBİTAK 2219 International Postdoctoral Fellowship
Funding for Turkish researchers to conduct advanced research at leading institutions abroad, fostering international networking and skill transfer.

YÖK DOSAP (Ek-34)
Enables PhD holders to be employed on a contractual basis in research projects conducted at Boğaziçi University under Article 34 of Law No. 2547.

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions PF (MSCA-PF)
For PhD holders with max 8 years of research experience. Requires compliance with the strict "Mobility" rule regarding host country residence.

Postdoctoral Funding Pathways

Fellowships

EMBO

European Molecular Biology Organization

EMBO offers numerous fellowships and grant programmes for researchers and students in life sciences.

It also supports the organization of courses and workshops, promotes international mobility, and accepts applications from researchers worldwide.

Scientific Exchange Grants

Short-term fellowships (1 week to 3 months) to promote expertise and technology transfer.

Postdoctoral Fellowships

Support for 1–2 years of postdoctoral research abroad, including salary, travel, and childcare expenses.

Scientific Event Supports

Supports for workshops, courses, global lectures and keynote speakers

Postdoctoral Funding Pathways

Other Prestigious Fellowships

Newton International Fellowships (NIF - UK)

Supports early-career international researchers to conduct research at UK institutions for two years.

Branco Weiss Fellowship (Global)

Provides up to 5 years of generous funding for outstanding postdocs to pursue unconventional, interdisciplinary projects anywhere in the world.

Humboldt Research Fellowship (Germany)

Enables highly qualified researchers from all disciplines to conduct long-term research projects at a host institution in Germany.

NAEd/Spencer Fellowships (US/Global)

Dedicated to early-career scholars and postdocs focusing on innovative and critical education research.

Human Frontier Science Program (HFSP)

Funds cutting-edge, interdisciplinary basic research in the life sciences, promoting international collaboration.

Postdoctoral Funding Pathways

Project Grants

2236-A: Co-Funded Brain Circulation Scheme

EU Co-Funded
Jointly supported by TÜBİTAK and the MSCA-COFUND mechanism.

Target Group
Experienced researchers (PhD holders) moving from abroad to Türkiye.

Core Objective
Promotes "brain circulation" by integrating international experts into local research ecosystems.

Comprehensive Support
Offers European-standard competitive salaries, mobility allowances, and a dedicated research budget.

2232-A: International Fellowship for Outstanding Researchers

Objective
Designed to attract top-tier, globally recognized scientists from abroad to Türkiye

Support Scope
It provides exceptional funding to help them establish state-of-the-art laboratories and build large, high-impact research teams at Turkish institutions

2232-B: International Fellowship for Early-Stage Researchers

Objective
Aims to attract highly promising early-career scientists from abroad to Türkiye.

Support Scope
Providing comprehensive support to help them establish their independent research groups and advance their scientific leadership

Postdoctoral Funding Pathways

Research Grants

1001: Scientific and Technological Research Projects

The Flagship Grant: The most established and highly competitive basic and applied research fund in Türkiye.

Target Group: Principal Investigators who hold a PhD degree.

Comprehensive Budget: Covers major research equipment, consumables, travel, and service procurements.

Student Opportunities: The primary source of project-based scholarships for undergraduate, MSc, and PhD students seeking active research experience.

3501: Career Development Program (CAREER)

Target Group: Early-career researchers with a PhD degree within 7 years of graduation

Objective: Encourages young scientists to become Principal Investigators (PIs) and establish independent research careers

Impact
Serves as a crucial stepping-stone toward larger national (TÜBİTAK 1001) or international (ERC Starting Grant) funding

Key Considerations Before Application

Misalignment
Writing a great proposal, but for the wrong call (ignoring the specific goals of the funder).

Overambitious Plans
Promising too much within an unrealistic timeline or an unjustified budget.

Eligibility Errors
Overlooking strict requirements like the MSCA mobility rule or required academic status.

Formatting Pitfalls
Disregarding official templates, altering margins, or exceeding page limits.

Underestimating "Impact"
Focusing purely on the science while ignoring broader societal benefits or career development.

The Last-Minute Trap
Missing the final deadline due to system overloads on the submission day.

Next Steps: Working with Us

Identify Your Goals: Determine your core research topic and discuss funding strategies with your academic advisor.

Explore Opportunities: Visit **projectoffice.bogazici.edu.tr** to explore active calls and programs. Follow our monthly newsletter.

Consult the Office Early: Contact us well before the deadline. We provide administrative, eligibility and procedural guidance; scientific content remains the applicant's responsibility.

Questions?

Thank you for your attention



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