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### EUROPEAN COOPERATION OPPORTUNITIES

Staška Mrak Jamnik, Tjaša Nabergoj, Office for European projects

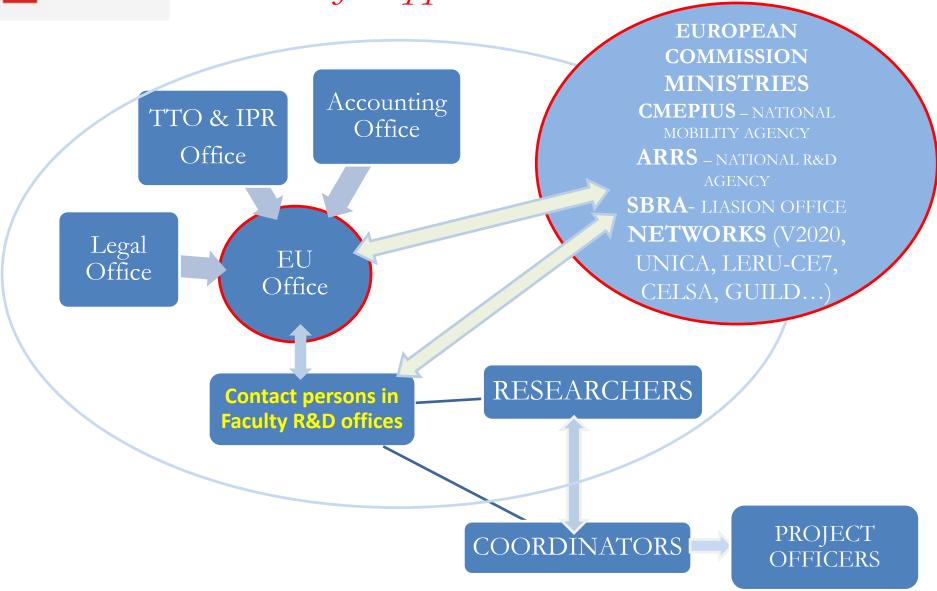


## University Office for European projects (1)

- Established in 2006
- The UL Office for European projects' primary function is to help advance UL's collaboration in science and technology at European level.
- In support of UL strategic goals the EU Office provides a range of professional services to the UL community, particularly in relation to the €79 billion "Horizon 2020" European Framework Programme.



Model of support to R&I





# Univerza v Ljubljani University office for European projects (2)





# Main supporting activities to researchers

#### COORDINATION ACTIVITIES

- LEAR (Legal Entity Appointed Representative)— coordination of the Participant portal for H2020 and ERASMUS+
- Establishment of procedures and rules in relation Faculty University
- Communication with the European Commission and Slovenian Ministries and other international organisations, networks and inititives (VISION2020, UNICA, IRUN, EURAXESS
- coordination of audit certificates, instructions regarding MSCA researchers

#### CONSULTING ACTIVITIES

- Legal field (Consortium Agreement, Grant Agreement, employment contracts, etc.)
- Financial and accounting field (eligible costs, overhead, financial reporting, audits, VAT)
- Project management (applications, submissions, project management, project dissemination)

#### INFORMATION ACTIVITIES

• Collecting data on projects; Mapping funding opportunities; written guidelines; Intranet web page

#### TRAINING AND ORGANISATION ACTIVITIES

Seminars; Infodays; Trainings; Clinics

#### **EVALUATION ACTIVITIES**

• R&I involvment; Reports



# Intranet web page of the Office for EU projects

### http://intranet.uni-lj.si/evropski projekti.aspx

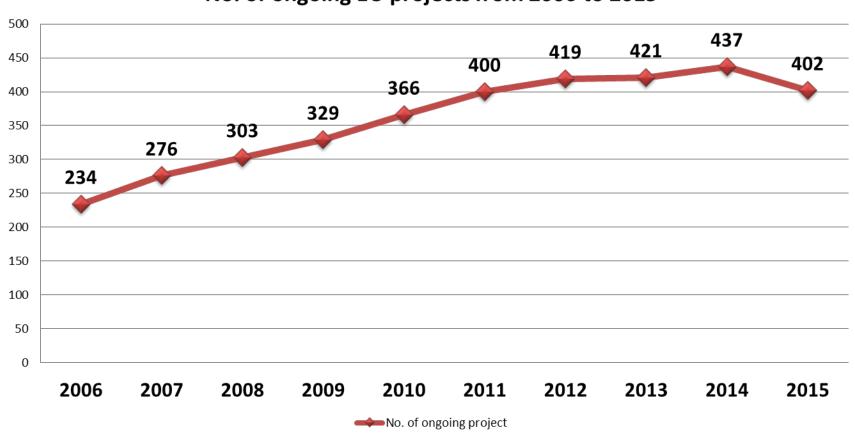


- Information on HORIZON 2020 and ERASMUS+
- Open EU calls
- Internal events and published presentations
- Internal EU project academy of UL
- Internal guidelines for applying and managing EU projects
- Fund for the promotion of cooperation in EU projects (Development Fund)
- Useful links



### EU Projects 2006 – 2015

#### No. of ongoing EU projects from 2006 to 2015





# Cooperation in EU projects 2007-2016

#### Participation of UL in numbers:

- 163 projects within 7th Framework Programme (in the amount of nearly 30 mio € for UL) <sup>©</sup>
- 1ERC Starting Grant, 1 ERC Advanced Grant © 🗇
- 54 H2020 projects
- 67 ERASMUS+ projects
- More than 242 projects financed by other EU programmes:
   COST, EUREKA, LLP, CIP, ERA-NET, LIFE+, Health, Safer Internet Plus, etc. of which
- 161 projects were financed by Structural Funds and European Territorial Co-operation (RDF, ESF, Transnational Cooperation)
- 7 Competence Centres
- 8 Centres of Excellence (2 UL coordinator, 6 as a partner)











# EU Structural Funds and European Territorial Cooperation Programme

Number of ongoing projects from 2011 to 2015.

Year	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Number of					
projects	101	94	76	47	25

- European Social Fund (ESF)
- European Regional Development Fund (ERDF)
- Cross-border Cooperation Programme (Slovenia-Italy, Slovenia-Croatia IPA Programme, Slovenia-Austria)
- Transnational Cooperation Programme (SEE-South East Europe, Alpine Space, Mediterranean programme (MED), Central Europe)
- Interregional Cooperation Programme (INTERREG, URBACT II, ESPON, INTERACT II)



### HORIZON 2020

#### Excellent Science (24.4 B €)

European Research Council (13.1 B€)

Future and Emerging Technologies ( 2.7 B €)

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions ( 6.1 B€)

Research Infrastructures ( 2.5 B €)

#### Industrial Leadership (17 B €)

LEIT = Leadership in enabling and industrial technologies

- ICT
- · Nano, new materials
- Biotechnology
- Space

(13.5 B €)

Access to Risk Finance ( 2.9 B €)

Innovation in SMEs ( 0.6 B €)

#### Societal Challenges (29.7 B €)

Health (7.5 B €)

Food (3.9 B €)

Energy (6 B €)

Transport (6.3 B €)

Climate

(3 B €) Inclusive Societies

> (1.3 B €) Security (1.7 B €)

Spreading Excellence (0.8 B €)

Science for Society (0.5 B €)

EIT (2.7 B€)

JRC (1.9 B €)

Euratom (1.6 B €)

#### GENERAL INTRODUCTION

http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/data/ref/h2020/wp/2016\_2017/main/h2020-wp1617-intro\_en.pdf STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

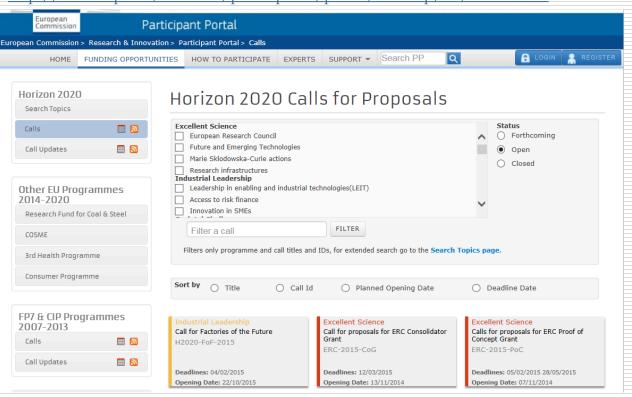
http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020/en/news/horizon-2020-work-programme-2016-2017-published



### HORIZON 2020 CALLS

#### Published at: RESEARCH PARTICIPANT PORTAL:

http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/home.html



- Search based on keywords
- Descriptions of topics
- Electronic submission of project proposals



### Cooperation in HORIZON 2020

With the amount of more than 12,5 mio EUR of EU contribution University of Ljubljana (which contributes almost half of the research results in Slovenia) is among the **leading organisations in Slovenia**.

• 54 approved H2020 projects



# WP: SPREADING EXCELLENCE AND WIDENING PARTICIPATION

- **TEAMING**, new Centers of Excellence
- **ERA Chairs**, excellent European or international researchers as the
- ☐ **TWINING**, exchange of kbnowledge and good practices and research staff exchange
- □ **COST** networking at the European level

Important Smart Specialisation Strategy synergies 2014-2020



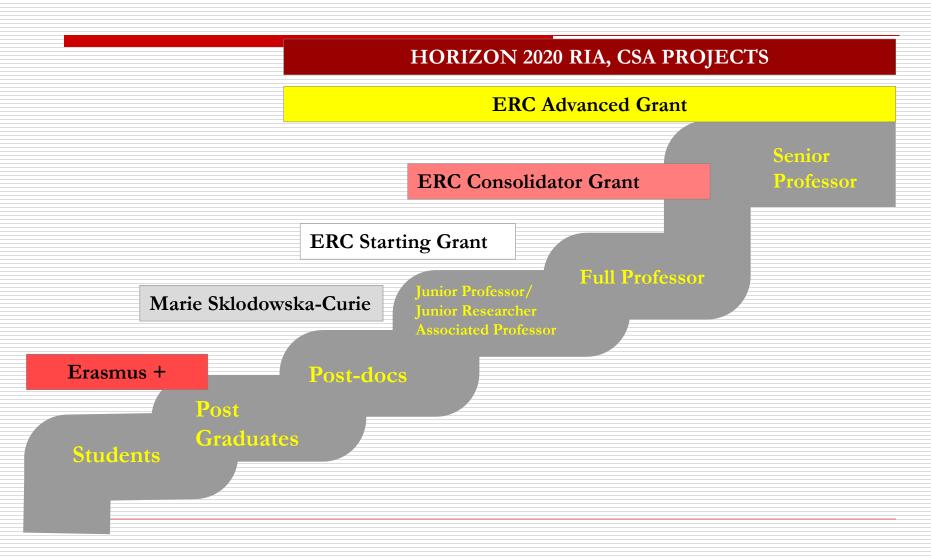
### H2020 — Researchers' career development

The following H2020 actions are especially dedicated to the career development od researchers:

- MSCA Marie Sklodowska-Curie (ITN, IF, RISE, COFUND)
- ☐ **ERC** (StG, CoG, AdvG)
- ☐ **COST** actions



# Career development of researcher and coresponding funding shemes





# Marie Skłodowska-Curie Marie Skłodowska-Curie Calls

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Individual Fellowships (ER)	IF	International and intersectoral mobility of experienced researchers (Call opens: 11.4. 2017 - 14.9.2017)	
Innovative training networks (ESR)	ITN	Research training of early stage researchers (Call: 15.9. 2016 – 10.1.2017)	
Research and innovation staff exchage	RISE	Internationa and intersectoral cooperation and staff exchange (Call: 1.12.2016 – 5.4.2017)	
Cofunding of Fellowship programmes	COFUND	Cofunding of reginal, national and international programes: - Doctoral programes - Research training of experienced researchers (Call: 5.4.2016 – 28.9.2017)	
Support activities to research policy	NIGHT	European Researchers' night (Call: 10.1.2017- 4.5.2017)	



# Who can support you?

- University office for European projects
- H2020 National contact points NCPs
- SBRA Slovenian Business and Research Association
- CMEPIUS
- ARRS
- Technological platforms (38)
- European innovation partnerships (EIP)
- International associations, interest networks (VISION 2020, UNICA, EUA, CELSA, EARMA, ....)
- Tools and webpages for parter searches
- Becoming the evaluation expert



# Networking & Partner Search

#### Networking

- Attendance at (EU) conferences and "brokerage" events
- Cooperation in networks (COST actions, VISION2020)
- Bilateral projects, short-term mobilities
- Meetings with NCPs for Horizon2020

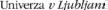
#### Partner search

- CORDIS Partner Service: <a href="https://cordis.europa.eu/partners/web/guest/home">https://cordis.europa.eu/partners/web/guest/home</a>
- Idealist PS (ICT): <a href="http://www.ideal-ist.eu/partner-search/pssearch">http://www.ideal-ist.eu/partner-search/pssearch</a>
- Enterprise Europe Network Cooperation Opportunities Database:
   <a href="http://www.een.si/">http://www.een.si/</a>
- NET4Society platform dedicated to SSH field: <a href="http://net4society.pt-dlr.de/">http://net4society.pt-dlr.de/</a>
- VISION 2020: network and platform for H2020 cooperation with industry and SMEs: http://2020visionnetwork.eu/



# UL memberships & networks

Lobbing and strategic alliances				
	SBRA – Slovenian Business Research Association			
	CELSA – Central European Leuven Strategic Alliance (Inter. open call)			
	The Guild			
	LERU – CE7 UNICA – Network of universities			
	Utrecht Network			
Plat	forms and Networks (OPPORTUNITIES FOR RESEARCHERS)			
	Research Professional Platform (UL Subscription)			
	VISION 2020 – CROWD Helix (Platform for members)			
	COST Actions (Open Actions/Networks)			
	ERC calls (Open call)			





### SBRA -

### Slovenian Business and Research Association

- UL is a member of SBRA
- The Slovenian Business and Research Association (SBRA) is a **Brussels-based liaison office** of the most successful Slovenian organisations from both the public and private sectors.
- Established in 1999 as an international non-profit association connecting business, research and local communities in Slovenia with the EU institutions and other public and private bodies at EU level. SBRA members represent a widespectrum of Slovenian interests, from the fields of business and research.

http://www.sbra.be/en

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### Univerza v Ljubljani CELSA FUND 2017

### CELSA – Central European Leuven Strategic Alliance

**MEMBERS:** KU Leuven, University of Ljubljana, University of Tartu Charles University in Prague, University of Warshaw Czech Technical University in Prague, Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest University of Technology and Economics, Semmelweis University.

**CELSA Fund** for preparatory 2 years-research projects aiming at **H2020 project applications** 

31 january of 2017 – First common calls (Leuven

Deadline for proposals: 2 May 2017



## Research Professional (1)

One of the biggest database for searching of funds

https://www.researchprofessional.com/

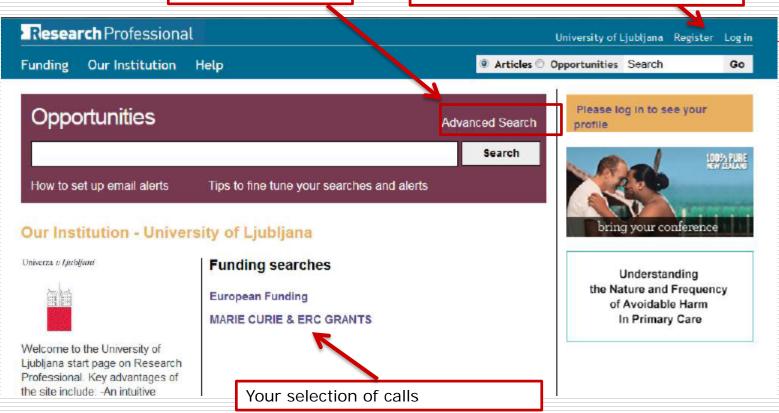
- ☐ More than 12.000 funding sources
- ☐ Up to 350 calls every day
- Research, development, education, research infrastructure, travel refunding, awards, fellowships,...



### Research Professional (2)

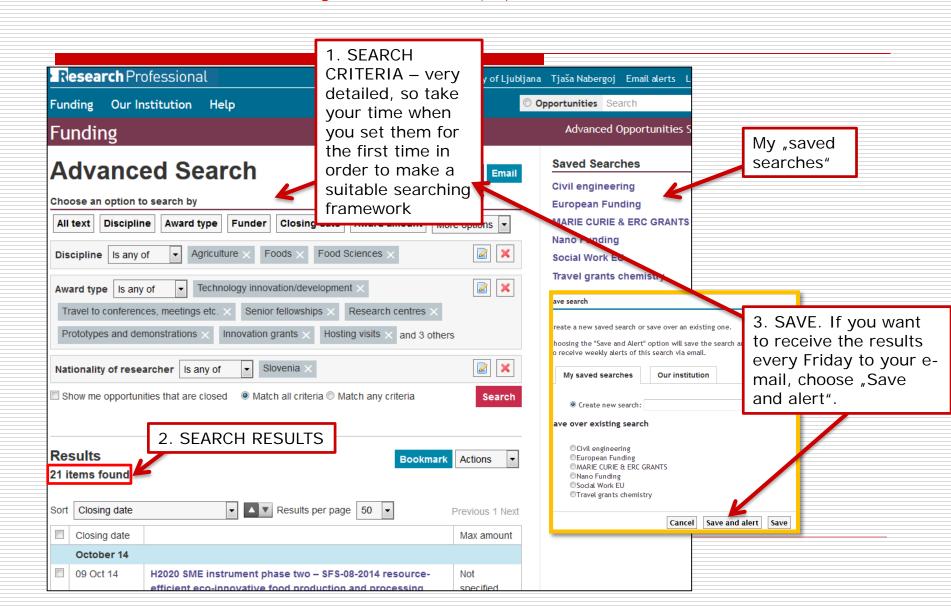
2. Start search here

1. Registration is possible only from the computers within the university computer network. Once you are registered, you just "log in".





# Research Professional (3)







# COLLABORATION AND FUNDING PLATFORM

CROWDHELIX MATCHES COMPANIES AND ACADEMICS FOR COLLABORATIONS ON GRANT PROPOSALS AND SHORT PROJECTS

> † 104 MEMBERS

17
COLLABORATION OPPORTUNITIES

€
5200500
TOTAL BUDGET



### Vision 2020 (2): Cluster Activities

Applying for funding

Mapping Activities

Thematic
meetings to
discuss
forthcoming calls
and form
consortia





### Vision2020 Clusters

<b>**</b>	Health	187	KU LEUVEN
	Digital	149	<b>L</b> auch
<u>3</u>	NMP	124	Technological Center TECNIO member of
Ø <sub>0</sub>	Manufacturing	145	Fraunhofer
9	Energy	145	CARDIFF UNIVERSITY PRIFYSCOL CAFRDYD
<b>O</b>	Security	119	Imperial College London
Ø	Climate	91	Tecnologia Cerámica
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### IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY What are COST Actions?

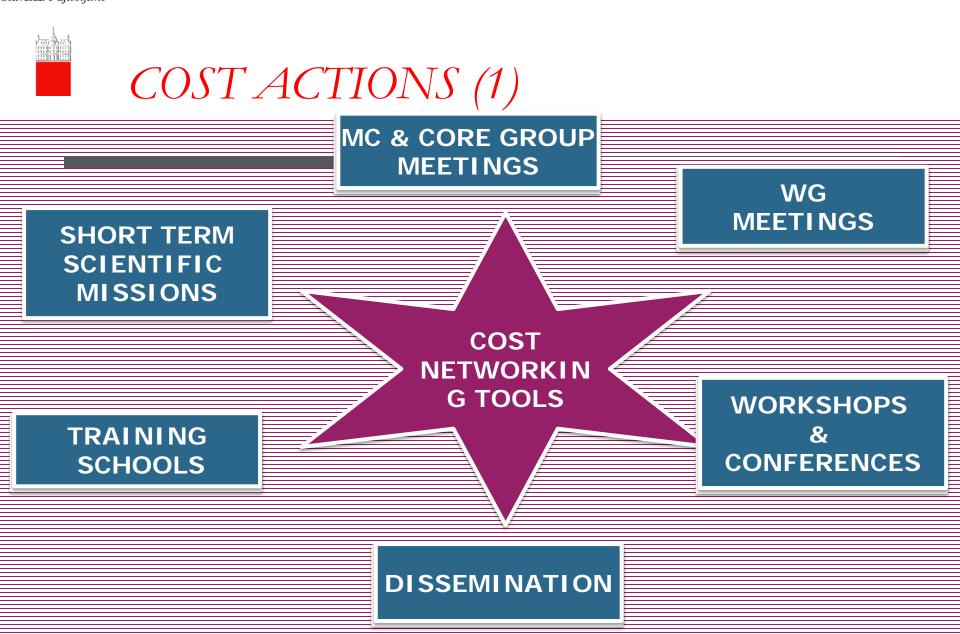
COST Actions are aflexible, fast, effective and efficient networking instrument for researchers, engineers and scholars to cooperate and coordinate nationally funded research activities. COST Actions allow European researchers to jointly develop their own ideas in any science and technology field.

<u>COST Actions</u> are bottom-up science and technology networks, open to researchers and stakeholders with a duration of four years. They are active through a range of <u>networking tools</u>. **COST does not fund research itself.** 

#### COST ACTIONS are:

- Pan-european
- Researchers driven
- Open and inclusive
- Multi and interdiciplinary
- Future-oriented

UL researchers cooperated in 154 COST action in 2016.

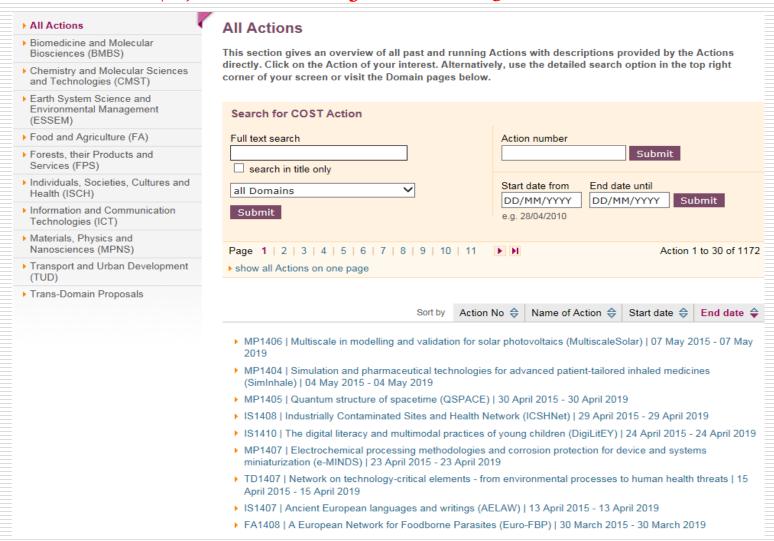


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COST does not fund research itself!



## COST (2): How to find and join an action?



http://www.cost.eu/COST\_Actions/all\_actions



### ERC (European Research Council) calls

#### ERC StG (Starting):

• for young researchers 2-7 years after the finished doctorate, up to 2 mio EURs for the period of up to 5 years

#### ERC CoG (Consolidated):

• for researchers 7-12 years after doctorate, up to 2,75 mio EURs for the period of up to 5 years

#### ERC AdvG (Advanced):

• For excellent experienced researchers with the outstanding research results in the last 10 years, up to 3,5 mio EURs for the period of up to 5 years

NCP: dr. Andreja Umek Venturini, andreja.umek(at)gov.si, 01 478 4668



# Public call for (co)financing potential ERC candidates to visit ERC grantees in 2017

The Slovenian Research Agency published the Call for (co)financing potential ERC candidates to visit ERC grantees in 2017.

Deadline: 1 March 2017

**Duration:** 3-6 months

**Grant:** 1.550 EUR/month + coefficient (including accommodation costs, costs of one roundtrip to and from the city of the ERC research group, the cost of public transport to the place of the host institution, and meal expenses)

Objective: The objective of this public Call is the research visit on one of the ERC teams worldwide. The aim is to develop a research project and gain necessary skills and competences to be able to submit an excellent ERC propsal within the two next ERC calls.

The annual budget: 240.000 €

Link: https://www.arrs.gov.si/en/medn/ERCFellowship/razpisi/16/razpis-ERC-2017.asp



### UL is the local contact point for EURAXESS

**EURAXESS - Researchers in Motion** is a unique pan-European initiative delivering information and support services to professional researchers. Backed by the European Union and its Member States, it supports researcher mobility and career development, while enhancing scientific collaboration between Europe and the world.

- EURAXESS Jobs&Funding
- Partnering
- Information&Assistance
- Euraxess Worldwide

Link: <a href="https://euraxess.ec.europa.eu/">https://euraxess.ec.europa.eu/</a>

BHO in Slovenia: CMEPIUS <a href="http://www.cmepius.si/">http://www.cmepius.si/</a>



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