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Internal funding

ESRC IAA-GCRF NGO secondary data funding (deadline: 20 July 2018)

This call provides small grants from the Global Challenges Research Fund to explore opportunities for researchers to reuse data held by NGOs and international implementation agencies operating in an Official Development Assistance (ODA) context. The deadline for applications is 5pm on Friday 20 July.

> More details

OPEN Policy Fellowships (EOI deadline: 20 July 2018)

The aims of this scheme are to build partnerships to shape the policy agenda, support evidence-based policymaking, develop and sustain strategic relationships with policymakers, and improve and diversify policy engagement at Oxford. The deadline for expressions of interest is 5pm on Friday 20 July.
Social Sciences KE Fellowships – Business and Industry (EOI deadline: 20 July 2018)

This pilot scheme will support partnerships with business and industry, either to enable researchers to spend time in a business or industry setting or to support a two-way mutual exchange. The deadline for expressions of interest is 5pm on Friday 20 July.

Social Sciences KE Fellowships – Public and Community Engagement (EOI deadline: 20 July 2018)

This scheme enables fellows to develop skills and shape best practice in public and community engagement, raise the profile and recognition of public engagement with research, develop partnerships with communities, and create positive impacts. The deadline for expressions of interest is 5pm on Friday 20 July.

Events

Lecture by Sir Mark Walport, CEO of UKRI, 12 July 2018

Sir Mark Walport, CEO of UKRI, will give a presentation about UKRI’s priorities at the Weston Library Lecture Theatre on Thursday 12 July at 1.45pm, followed by a Q&A. Researchers at all career stages from across the University are particularly encouraged to attend, as well as administrators.
Open Access Training, Old Road Campus, 23 July 2018

The monthly Open Access Oxford session goes ‘up the hill’ to the Old Road Campus on Monday 23 July, 12.30–1.30pm.

> More details

New monthly human tissue governance drop-in clinics

Research Services’ human tissue governance team are running monthly drop-in advice clinics. The next session will take place on Thursday 2 August, 9am–11am.

> More details

Policy, processes and resources

MARS: a new tool for managing award projects

MARS, a new application to support research award management at Oxford, is now available. MARS combines information drawn from R12, X5 and CoreHR including spend against budget, investigator commitment on awards and application pipeline, and the names of contract research staff. The system is aimed at staff with responsibility for their department’s research project portfolio.

> More details

Researchfish® compliance rate

Compliance rates for the 2018 submission to Researchfish® for the Research Councils, CRUK, BHF and NIHR are available on the Research Support website. The compliance rate for Oxford PIs was between 99% and 100% for all these funders.
Research Professional survey

We are seeking information from departmental and divisional research support staff about the way they use information from Research Professional. The survey remains open until 11 July.

New on Funding Insight: new funding from the Academy of Medical Sciences, STFC’s second GCRF call, and how to get a postdoc fellowship in the social sciences

Recent Funding Insight articles on Research Professional include:
• Rachel Macdonald, head of programmes at the Academy of Medical Sciences, on how they will use £11.2m of additional funding
• Katharine Hollinshead, 21st century challenges manager at STFC, on their latest GCRF scheme
• Advice for early career researchers in the social sciences on applying for postdoc fellowships

Funder news

EC/Horizon 2020 news, Brexit round-up, consultations, events and deadlines: see Oxford Gateway to Europe

For any EC, FP7 and Horizon 2020-related news/consultations, events and deadlines, including factsheets specifically aimed at Oxford researchers and research support staff, please see the Oxford Gateway to Europe website. The website is also regularly updated with the latest about Brexit.

EPSRC: UKRI-EPSRC Council establishes policy baseline
The UKRI-EPSRC Council has established a **policy baseline** based on EPSRC’s policies and plans.

> More details

**EPSRC: vacancies on strategic advisory bodies**

EPSRC is welcoming applications for membership of its strategic advisory bodies. The deadline for applications is 4pm on Wednesday 1 August.

> More details

**MRC: new grant application status to recognise research staff contributions**

To support the development of researchers across different career stages, the MRC will introduce a new status to recognise the contributions of research staff as researcher co-investigators on grant applications from 23 July 2018.

> More details

**NIH: eRA Commons enhancements**

NIH has made two changes to eRA Commons to improve the Research Performance Progress Report process – to institutional delegations and the ability to include decimals in effort reporting.

> More details

**NIHR: patient experience survey results**

The NIHR Clinical Research Network has published the results of its patient research experience survey. The findings will inform a programme of improvement, including a refresh of the ‘Optimising Patient Research Experience Checklist’ for research staff.

> More details
Royal Society: Brexit and UK science

The Royal Society has published a set of principles that should shape the UK’s future relationship with the European Union and factsheets with more information about why these arrangements are important for scientific research and innovation.

> More details

UKRI: applications open for Future Leaders Fellowships Panel College

UKRI invites applicants from across the UKRI remit to form a UKRI Future Leaders Fellowships Panel College. The deadline for applications is Tuesday 31 July.

> More details

More news from funders on Research Professional

You can find more news from top research funders on Research Professional.

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