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## ❖ SDU Horizon 2020 week

Last week was SDU Horizon 2020 week. More than 200 people participated in Odense and Kolding to hear about the new EU framework program for research and innovation. The week was opened by the Minister for Science, Innovation and Higher Education, Morten Østergaard, and the Vice-Chancellor of University of Southern Denmark,



Jens Oddershede. The conference was co-organised by South Denmark European Office and SDU Grants Office. EU-Consultant, Rasmus Anker Møller, presented the opportunities for cooperation with enterprises in Horizon 2020, and Christian Walther Bruun presented the funding opportunities in Horizon 2020 and pre-fund opportunities.



The SDU Horizon 2020 week was designed so that the researchers and staff at the University of Southern Denmark could learn about the opportunities in Horizon 2020 for their particular research area.

The week was closed in Kolding after three days of more than 25 presentations and talks about Horizon 2020. You can find the ministers speech and all of the presentations for the conference [here](#).



## ❖ EU Calls for independent experts to assist with research and innovation

The European Commission is looking for new independent experts to assist with research and innovation assignments. The experts shall assist in the evaluation and review of research and innovation proposals and projects. In addition the experts shall assist in monitoring the progress, outcome and impact of research and innovation programmes as well as giving advice on the shape of future research and innovation activities. As an evaluator you get your costs covered and a per diem allowance, good application writing 'course', international and EU Commission network, insight in funding opportunities and the opportunity to read interesting research proposals.

To be considered for one of the positions it is necessary to:

- Have a high level expertise in research or innovation in any scientific and technological field, including managerial aspects
- Have at least a university degree
- Be available for occasional, short-term assignments

Read more on the European Commission's [participant portal](#).

## ❖ **Draft work programmes 2014-2015**

The European Commissions expected call text have been published on the European Commissions website. These are the text for the next two years 2014-2015. So if you have not done so yet we encourage you to look at your research area. As usual we are more than happy to assist you if you need it. It is important to mention that the documents are not yet endorsed by the Commission, and that their content does not pre-judge the final decision of the Commission.

Please find the draft work programmes [here](#).

## ❖ **Composition of Horizon 2020 Advisory Groups**

The composition of single Horizon 2020 advisory groups has been published. The advisory groups play an important role in the making of the work programs that implement Horizon 2020. Members of the advisory groups are typically researchers or representatives for the industry.

Since only some Horizon 2020 group has been published by the European Commission it is not yet known how many members will be Danish. However unofficial numbers suggest that there will be 17 Danish members in the 15 advisory groups. This is twice as much as in the current framework programme FP7.

Read more about the advisory group [here](#).

## ❖ **National student fees and support systems**

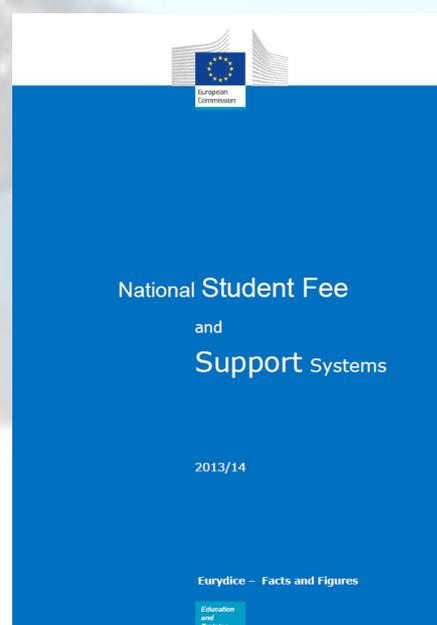
How much does it cost to study? This is the theme of the annual Eurydice report on national student fees and support systems. The report covers 32 European countries and gives an European-wide overview for the forthcoming academic year.

The United Kingdom charges the highest amount of student fees, while the Nordic countries have a “no fee” regime for all students. When it comes to student support Denmark is – not surprisingly – one of the countries that provide students with the highest amounts of need-based grants.

The report also shows that the Nordic countries are keen to consider the student as an individual, and it’s therefore the individual who receives the support.

In many other European countries the student is considered as a member of the family, and some forms of support is therefore channelled to members of the family rather than to the student.

The report can be read [here](#).



## ❖ **Changes to ERC Open Access Guidelines**

The European Research Council (ERC) support excellent research in all fields of science. The main output of the research is new knowledge which the ERC provide *free online access* to. The ERC has now published a revised version of its “Open Access Guidelines for Researchers Funded by the ERC”. The main change in the new guidelines is the extension of the maximum acceptable “embargo” period in the Social Sciences and Humanities from 6 to 12 months.

The paragraph concerning access to research data has also been changed. It now addresses responsible data management and data-sharing more generally. It shall be remembered that the ERC Open Access Guidelines continue to be non-binding,

You can read the revised ERC Guidelines on Open Access [here](#).

### WHERE TO LOOK FOR SUPPORT ON EXTERNAL FUNDING?

For support on all external funding incl. EU Funding please contact the research funding unit at your faculty:

- ✓ [Research support at the Faculty of Engineering](#)
- ✓ [Research support at the Faculty of Humanities](#)
- ✓ [Research support at the Faculty of Business and Social Sciences](#)
- ✓ [Research support at the Faculty of Science](#)
- ✓ [Research support at the Faculty of Health Sciences](#)

If you have any specific EU science and innovation related questions, are planning initiatives towards EU and Horizon 2020 in Brussels or at SDU or questions about this newsletter to please direct them to: Christian Walther Bruun, + 32 4 777 77 587 or [cwb@southdenmark.be](mailto:cwb@southdenmark.be)

### IN BRUSSELS? – STOP BY

Sometimes it's easier to talk face to face. For this reason the South Denmark European Office would like to invite you to a talk about how we can assist you in your EU-endeavors – and maybe a cup of coffee at South Denmark House. So if you are planning to come to Brussels please contact us and we will set up a meeting. We are located just north of most of the EU offices - a 5 min. walk from Shuman and Maelbeek Metro Stops.

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## THE SDU EUROPEAN SCIENCE EVENT CALENDAR

Please let us know (at [cwb@southdenmark.be](mailto:cwb@southdenmark.be)) if you are planning to attend or have questions about the conferences

Event	Date	Place
<a href="#">European-Danish Innovation Roundtable</a>	2 December	Brussels
<a href="#">Confrence on the EIP on Raw Materials</a>	5 December	Brussels
<a href="#">Challenges in coordinating and governing public services in times of crisis and reform: International lessons and policy recommendations</a>	9 December	Brussels
<a href="#">Improving quality and safety of healthcare</a>	10 December 2013	Brussels
<a href="#">Horizon 2020 Space</a>	11-12 December 2013	Brussels
<a href="#">EU Research and Innovation Project Management and Financial Reporting</a>	12 December	Vienna, Austria
<a href="#">EUROCITIES Annual Conference</a>	29 November 2013	Ghent, Belgium
<a href="#">Climate Change Adaption Conference</a>	12-16 May 2014	Fortaleza, Brazil
<a href="#">Euro Science Open Forum</a>	21-26 June 2014	Copenhagen
<a href="#">Embracing Inclusive Approaches</a>	14-17 July 2014	Braga, Portugal
<a href="#">The 7th European Public Health Conference 2014</a>	2014	Glasgow

Background: (www.atomium.be - SABAM 2009 - DJ Sharko)