

## DIANET SEMINARS

AREA SCIENCE PARK, Trieste (Italy)

May 6-7-8, 2013

### EU PROGRAMMES FOR MOBILITY OF HUMAN CAPITAL

**1) Inter-sector and transnational mobility (May 6, 2013)**

**2) EU programmes focusing on the valorization of human capital to promote excellence in science (May 7, 2013)**

**3) EU policies and processes for researchers' career development (May 8, 2013)**

**1) Inter-sector and transnational mobility**

**May 6, 2013**

**The objective** of the seminar is discussing the state of the art of European level researchers' mobility - both trans-national and cross-sector - within ERA, the European Research Area.

**Contents:** the intensification of researchers' mobility and the enhancement of resources and skills within the organizations capable of attracting them increases the attractiveness potential for the centres of excellence within the EU. The Communication from the European Commission to the Council and the European Parliament entitled "A mobility Strategy for the European Research Area" urges support for cross-sector mobility between academia and industry as well as interregional mobility, to help avoid a "brain drain" from the least developed areas. Training and transnational and cross-sector mobility of researchers are essential elements of the European Commission's strategic proposal for the creation of the European Research Area. The basis of the Commission's mobility strategy for the European Research Area is an improved research system, to be implemented through the establishment of a more dynamic environment, favouring transnational and cross-sector mobility in all stages of researchers' careers by improving funding for research and connections with the private sector and removing obstacles to mobility, especially for women, while introducing financial support mechanisms to increase it.

**The speakers:**

- Dragana Avramov, Director and senior scientific fellow of Population and Social Policy Consultants (Brussels)
- Maria Cristina Pedicchio, President of OGS and member of the Strategic Forum for International S&T Cooperation (SFIC)
- Ciro Franco, Head of the Technology Transfer Dept. at Milan Polytechnic and cross-sector mobility expert

## **2) EU programmes focusing on the valorization of human capital for excellence in science**

**May 7, 2013**

**The objective** of the seminar is discussing the issues related to the drafting of successful project proposals in the framework of programmes addressing the valorisation of human capital.

**Contents:** The valorisation of human capital employed in research and innovation is essential to guarantee consistent research activities worldwide and ensure Europe's long-term competitiveness, to be achieved through the development of ad-hoc programmes and networks fostering territorial attractiveness and international and inter-sector mobility.

Mobility patterns, addressed primarily to attract the best talents in Europe, will have to increasingly support students and researchers through all stages of their careers and become a priority for the accreditation of research institutions, universities, enterprises and industry organizations.

Beginning with a selection of the main EU programmes focusing on such objectives (e.g. Erasmus Mundus, Marie Curie Actions, ERC - European Research Council calls), the seminar focuses on the drafting of successful project proposals in the framework of these programmes, to disseminate good practices among involved participants referring to the Conference of Rectors of the Alps-Adriatic Universities and the Danube Rectors' Conference.

### **The speakers:**

- Manuela Schisani, National Contact Point European Research Council (APRE, Rome);
- Katia Insogna, National Contact Point Marie Curie (APRE, Rome);
- Manuela Costone, Staff National Contact Point Erasmus Mundus (RUI Foundation, Rome).

## **3) EU policies and processes for researchers' career development**

**May 8, 2013**

**The objective** of the seminar is to analyze in detail EU policies and tools addressed to guarantee appropriate conditions to international researchers.

**Contents:** The seminar aims to provide participants with an overview of the most significant initiatives of the European Commission to support researchers' careers and promote examples of good practices in the implementation of such policies at a local level. For that purpose, those institutions will be involved, which have demonstrated a specific sensitivity for the issue at stake, and have adopted ad-hoc policies to support researchers' careers. Furthermore, the issue of contracts in the framework of Marie Curie Actions will be dealt with in detail.

### **Among the speakers:**

- Katia Insogna, National Contact Point Marie Curie (APRE, Rome);
- Teresa Caltabiano, Head of the Research Office of the University of Catania.