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1. DANUBIUS YOUNG SCIENTIST AWARD 2014 - DEADLINE FEBRUARY 14TH

We would like to remind you of the current call for the "Danubius Young Scientist Award". The award seeks to encourage young scientists to engage in the scientific examination of issues and questions specifically related to the Danube, and to stimulate the scientific community in the Danube region. Deadline for nomination is February 14th. For more information please click here:
<http://www.drc-danube.org/2013/12/19/danubius-young-scientist-award/>

2. DRC VIDEO CONTEST FOR STUDENTS

As in 2013, we announce also this year a video contest for all students of the DRC member universities. We want to increase the visibility of the DRC and its activities in the Danube Region. On our website you find the poster informing the students of your university about the possibility to participate in the video-contest. Please be so kind and help us to disseminate this information at your university. To get more information, please click here:
<http://www.drc-danube.org/2013/04/18/video-contest-for-drc-students/>

3. NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE UPCOMING DRC PRESIDENCY

The DRC Presidency shall be composed of Rectors of universities that are full members of the DRC. The Presidency is elected by the DRC General Assembly, based on the nominations sent to the DRC secretariat after a call for candidates sent to all members. Therefore, this newsletter is intended as the call to nominate the candidates for DRC Presidency for 2015-2017, according article VII of the DRC statute. The nominations should be sent to our DRC Secretariat: info@drc-danube.org. If the Secretariat does not confirm the delivery of your e-mail within 7 days, please contact Michal Lostak, assistant of the current DRC President: lostak@pef.czu.cz.

4. DRC ANNUAL MEETING 2014 IN BELGRADE

DRC annual meeting and DRC 2014 General Assembly will be held at the University of Belgrade on November 6-7. The preliminary topic of the conference is Digital culture - the synergy between higher education and ICT. The detailed draft of the conference will be circulated during spring 2014.

5. CASEE CONFERENCE 2014 - REGISTRATION UNTIL FEBRUARY 28TH

The CASEE Board and the Faculty of Agriculture University of Novi Sad have the pleasure of inviting you to the 5th CASEE Conference

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"Healthy Food Production and Environmental Preservation - The Role of Agriculture, Forestry and Applied Biology" on May 25 - 27, 2014 at the University of Novi Sad, Faculty of Agriculture, Serbia. Deadline for registration is February 28th. For more information please check: <http://casee.uns.ac.rs/>

6. BEST OF SOUTH-EAST STIPENDS - REMINDER

Steiermärkische Sparkasse Bank in cooperation with Graz University of Technology announces "Best of South-East", aiming at the advancement and further education for talented and dedicated graduates and students in and from Slovenia, Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia, Montenegro and the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (F.Y.R.O.M.). The program's aim is to provide the target groups mentioned above with international work experience as well as training and further education opportunities. Deadline for application is March 14th. Click here to open the call: http://www.drc-danube.org/app/download/8557768094/BoSE_PartnerInformation_EN.pdf?t=1390391842

7. MARIE SKLODOWSKA-CURIE ACTIONS (MSCA) - FUNDING FOR 25000 PHDS

The objective of the MSCA is to support the career development and training of researchers - with a focus on innovation skills - in all scientific disciplines through worldwide and cross-sector mobility. For this, the MSCA provide grants at all stages of researchers' careers, from PhD candidates to highly experienced researchers, and encourage transnational, intersectoral and interdisciplinary mobility. The MSCA will become the main EU programme for doctoral training, funding 25 000 PhDs. Endowing researchers with new skills and a wider range of competences, while offering them attractive working conditions, is a crucial aspect of the MSCA. For more information on the renewed programme: <http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020/en/h2020-section/marie-sk%C5%82odowska-curie-actions>

8. HORIZON 2020 - CURRENT AND UPCOMING CALLS

Horizon 2020 is the new EU funding programme for research and innovation running from 2014 to 2020 with a Euro80 billion budget. It offers a lot of opportunities for Higher Education Institutions in Europe. Detailed information on the programme: http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/docs/h2020-funding-guide/index_en.htm

Following you can find selected actions and funding opportunities:

FET Open: early stage, high risk visionary science and technology collaborative research projects
<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/1153-fetopen-1-2014.html#tab1>

Societal Challenges: Mobility for Growth-Call, Topic "Promoting innovation in the Inland waterways Transport (IWT) sector"
<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/2635-mg-4.4-2014.html#tab1>

Excellent Sciences: Support to innovation, human resources, policy and international cooperation / New professions and skills for e-infrastructures
<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020>

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/topics/72-infrasupp-4-2015.html

Science with and for Society: Call for making science education and careers attractive for young people + Responsible Research and Innovation in Higher Education Curricula

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/2424-seac-2-2014.html>

Innovative ways to make science education and scientific careers attractive to young people

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/2423-seac-1-2014.html>

To check further current and upcoming calls, please click here:

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/index.html>

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