

## **Euro**life Scholarship Programme for Early Career Researchers

### **Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Eurolife partners for the exchange of early career researchers**

Recognising the mutual benefits to be gained through a co-operative programme promoting scholarly activities and international understanding, the members of the Eurolife network

The Provost, Fellows and Scholars of the College of the Holy and Undivided Trinity of Queen Elizabeth near Dublin, having its principal place of business at College Green, Dublin 2, Ireland (hereinafter referred to as Trinity College Dublin (TCD)),

The University of Edinburgh (UoE), Old College, South Bridge, Edinburgh,

Academisch Ziekenhuis Leiden *acting as* Leiden University Medical Center (LUMC), having its principal place of business at Albinusdreef 2, 2333 ZA, Leiden,

Karolinska Institutet (KI); Nobels väg 5, SE-17177 Stockholm, Sweden,

University Medicine Goettingen (UMG-GOE),  
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Universitat de Barcelona, established in Gran Via de les Corts Catalanes 585, Barcelona, 08007, Spain (hereinafter referred to as UB), represented by Prof Dídac Ramirez, Provost or his authorised representative,

collectively hereinafter referred to as "Parties and/or Partners", individually hereinafter referred to as "Party and/or Partner" enter into this Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for Exchange of early career researchers under the name of "Eurolife Scholarship Programme for Early Career Researchers" and agree to the following:

## OBJECTIVES

- 1.1 Activities which are carried out under this MoU will focus on the area of life sciences.
- 1.2 The objective of this MoU is limited to the exchange of early career researchers for a period of 3 to 6 months (not extendable).
- 1.3 The partners will strive for a balanced number of exchanged researchers between the parties over the five years of the MoU.
- 1.4 Each party will identify suitable applicants according to the following criteria. The researcher must
  1. work at one of Eurolife Universities
  2. hold a PhD in Life Science, or
  3. a MD and be experienced as researcher for at least 4 years.

A researcher can only benefit from the scholarship once.

The exchange must offer

1. added value for the researcher and his/her career and
  2. added value for the sending and receiving institution
- 1.5 Candidates need a letter of - provisional - acceptance from the receiving institute upon submission of their proposal.

No candidates will be sent before explicit approval of the partner university is obtained in form of letter of acceptance by the director or head of department of the receiving institution.

- 1.6 Sending institution will cover for the salary and the cost of scholarship (a minimum of 1000€/month) plus travel expenses for a return ticket (400€ max) for (and paid to) the researcher. Meals and daily allowance are covered by the scholarship.
- 1.7 It is the responsibility of the researcher to meet the requirements of rules and regulations of the hosting country and receiving institute, such as entry visas, residence permits, medical insurance schemes, etc. The receiving institute will inform and support the researcher in order to comply with these rules and regulations.
- 1.8 The receiving institution will assist in finding housing for the visiting researcher. The researcher will pay for the accommodation themselves. It is the responsibility of the researcher to meet the requirements of the receiving institute's housing agent.
- 1.9 A Eurolife certificate will be issued by the receiving institution at the end of the exchange.
- 1.10 A separate bilateral exchange agreement will be concluded prior to the start of the exchange. This bilateral exchange agreement will address (if applicable):
  1. the contents of the research,

2. training aspects,
3. financial aspects,
4. liability of the Parties (and the researcher),
5. Intellectual Property aspects, especially ownership, and
6. other specific issues the Parties want to include, like how to deal with illness, accidents, insurances, etc.

1.11 If results of the research done during the exchange are to be published, the Eurolife scholarship and network must be mentioned.

#### **IMPLEMENTATION**

- 2.1 In order to carry out and fulfil the aims of this MoU, each partner shall appoint a co-ordinator who shall manage the development and conduct of the Scholarship programme under this MoU.
- 2.2 Parties may draft their own internal procedures for publication of the Eurolife Scholarship Programme and their selection of candidates. These internal procedures are shared with the members in this programme.
- 2.3 Parties agree that, to maximise the exposure for Eurolife, the publication of calls/selection of candidates will be done simultaneously in the participating institutes.

#### **DURATION AND TERMINATION**

- 3.1 This MoU shall enter into force when signed by all Parties and shall be valid for a period of five years. Prolongation of the MoU will take place automatically, unless one of the contracting parties confirms in writing its intention to end the agreement at least six months before expiration.
- 3.2 Proposals to amend this MoU may be made by either Party at any time. Any amendments to this Agreement shall, in order to be binding, be made in writing and duly executed by all Parties hereto.
- 3.3 This MoU may be terminated by any party, at any time provided that the terminating party gives written notice of its intention to all Parties at least six months prior to its intended termination.
- 3.4 After signature of this MoU, parties will submit its contents to their relevant university and national authorities in as far as this are prescribed under legal or statutory obligation.

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**for Eurolife Partner Leiden University Medical Center (LUMC)**

***Prof. Dr E.C. Klasen,  
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**Ms Mary Tracey  
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On behalf of the  
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**Prof Dídac Ramírez  
Provost**

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