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Postdoctoral Fellowship Award

The International Research Conference (IRC) is an open science research organization dedicated to promoting the advancement of science, engineering, and technology. The IRC’s postdoctoral fellowship award is pleased to announce Fellowships which are available for postdoctoral researchers who are currently based at or affiliated with a research university. The postdoctoral fellowship award coordinates and develops high impact scholarly open science research which seeks to promote multiscience approaches. In addition, the fellowship award presents a unique opportunity for researchers who want to influence the future of open science through collaboration, communication, publication and data sharing within the global science community.

This postdoctoral fellowship award is looking for researchers with a passion for open science, open sources, open publications and data sharing. Applicants should already be working to promote research practices in a more collaborative, iterative and open dimension. Fellows will spend four months starting in June of 2020 as community catalysts at their own institutions creating, disseminating, and mentoring the next generation of open scientists, open data practitioners and researchers. The goal is to build lasting changes in the global open science community. Throughout the fellowship term, Fellows will receive training and support from the open science postdoctoral Fellowship award to develop and hone their skills around open science, open sources, data sharing, open science policy and licensing. Fellows will also craft policies and codes, write curriculum, teach their institutional peers, and be engaged in helping their local open science communities learn about open sources and open data practices.

Expectations: The open science postdoctoral Fellowship award anticipates applicants who:

- Create change within their university or other institution throughout open science, research, data sharing, and article publications.
- Create knowledge, policies and codes, curriculum and educational resources to promote open science.
- Participate in open science research workshops, symposia, conferences, and other activities.
- Participate in and help to lead regular open science research community call for proposals or papers.
- Serve as open science mentors and leaders within their research communities.
- Serve as reviewers for submitted open science abstracts and research papers for scholarly journals and conferences.
- Promote open science by communicating, publishing and sharing their high impact peer-reviewed research on an ongoing basis.

Note: Fellows are encouraged to continue their personal research for up to 20% of their time during the course of their fellowship (i.e., one day a week). Fellowship applicants must have buy-in from their advisors in advance and include their advisors’ contact information on the application. The applicant’s advisors will be interviewed should the applicant move on to the second round, and their support will be a critical consideration for the awarding of Fellowships.
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Fellowship Terms and Conditions

Award Scholarship Description

Application Deadline: April 30, 2020

- Fellowships are awarded to enhance the concept of open science and are open to scholars from all fields of science, engineering, and technology.

- The selected Fellow will receive a monthly stipend of $500.00 for four months during 2020 (June, July, August, and September). Fellows are responsible for remitting all applicable taxes and other government charges as required by their country of residence and by law.

Nationality: Fellowships are available to postdoctoral researchers in any country.

Requirements:

Fellows must:

- At a minimum, hold a Ph.D. or its equivalent by June 1, 2020, and should not have received the degree before 2018.

- Applicants should have working proficiency in the English language and should demonstrate their ability to read, write, and speak English.

- Applicants should be full-time academics or affiliated with a research university or institute.

- Funding will be direct to the Fellow and not distributed through their institution.

- Be able to travel.

- Obtain support from their advisors. Fellows will be based at their home institutions. Please note that a letter of support from the advisor is mandatory for consideration.

- Have experience participating in open science research.

Application Procedure:

Applicants must submit the following to https://waset.org/profile/messages with the email subject line reading “Postdoc_surname_given name,” e.g., Postdoc_Smith_John.

Please include the following attachments to your email application:

1. Cover letter to the Search Committee indicating interest in the position.

2. Curriculum vitae.

4. Research statement. Please include a description of your proposed research that would be accomplished during the fellowship (not more than two pages, single spaced).

5. Two letters of recommendation. The applicant must request the letters (or the dossier service).

6. High-quality copies or scans of transcripts showing degrees (Bachelor, Masters, and Doctoral) and coursework.

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