

Irish Research Council's Indicative Call Schedule for 2015

Funding announcements and calls in 2015

Scheme Name	Description	Anticipated Launch if 2015	Anticipated Outcome
Early stage career researcher supports			
Government of Ireland Postgraduate Scholarship Scheme (2015), including Strategic Partner Themes	Offers the opportunity for suitably qualified excellent individuals, with novel research ideas, to take a first step in research and to attain the skills and competencies of a successful researcher. Applicants can apply for a postgraduate degree in any discipline at an eligible HEI within Ireland. A number of additional Scholarships are also offered in collaboration with our strategic funding partners.	-	Q2 2015
Employment Based Postgraduate Programme (2015)	Offers opportunities for suitably qualified individuals to pursue a Postgraduate Degree in any discipline, at an eligible HEI within Ireland, and in parallel to being <u>employed</u> by an Employment Partner for the duration of their Masters/PhD. This co-educational initiative enables direct exposure and embedding of the individual in the workplace environment.	-	Q2 2015
Enterprise Partnership Postgraduate Scholarship	The Council, in partnership with private enterprises and public bodies, awards co-funded Postgraduate Scholarships. Students benefit from the opportunity to gain valuable experience and insight into the enterprise/commercial arena while completing their Scholarship.	Q1 2015	Q3 2015
NASA International Internships (I ²) Program (the Council in partnership with the NASA I ² Program)	The Council is offering an exciting internship opportunity for undergraduate or postgraduate students to engage in scientific or engineering research and development activities. Interns benefit from unique NASA-related research and experience. Application requires nomination from the applicant's higher education institution.	Q1 2015	Q2 2015
Government of Ireland Postdoctoral Fellowship Scheme (2015)	Offers opportunity for excellent individuals, in all research disciplines, to begin their career as an independent researcher and to develop their novel ideas into excellent research projects. Fellows benefit from acquiring valuable new skills relevant to careers in academia and beyond the traditional academic sector.	-	Q2 2015

Enterprise Partnership Postdoctoral Fellowship	The Council, in partnership with private enterprises and public bodies, awards co-funded Postdoctoral Fellowships. Fellows have the opportunity to closely interact with, and gain valuable transferrable skills and insights from the enterprise/commercial arena while conducting excellent research informed by enterprise.	Q1 2015	Q3 2015
Government of Ireland Postgraduate Scholarship Scheme (2016), including Strategic Partner Themes	Offers the opportunity for suitably qualified excellent individuals, with novel research ideas, to take a first step in research and to attain the skills and competencies of a successful researcher. Applicants can apply for a postgraduate degree in any discipline at an eligible HEI within Ireland. A number of additional Scholarships are also offered in collaboration with our strategic funding partners.	Q4 2015	Q2 2016
Employment Based Postgraduate Programme (2016)	Offers opportunities for suitably qualified individuals to pursue a Postgraduate Degree in any discipline, at an eligible HEI within Ireland, and in parallel to being <u>employed</u> by an Employment Partner for the duration of their Masters/PhD. This co-educational initiative enables direct exposure and embedding of the individual in the workplace environment.	Q4 2015	Q2 2016
Government of Ireland Postdoctoral Fellowship Scheme (2016)	The competitive Government of Ireland Postdoctoral Fellowship Scheme supports excellent individuals, in all research disciplines, to begin their career as an independent researcher and to develop their novel ideas into excellent research projects. Fellows benefit from acquiring valuable new skills relevant to careers in academia and beyond the traditional academic sector.	Q4 2015	Q2 2016
Lindau Nobel Laureate Meeting Award (Patron: The President of Ireland)	The Irish Research Council, as the national strategic partner with the Lindau Nobel Laureate Meetings, conducts the national competition to select nominees (PhD or Postdoc) to the international selection process for attending this annual meeting of Nobel Laureates. A national award is given to those selected to attend.	- Q4 2015	Q2 2015 Q2 2016
Researcher Career Progression			
Basic Research Excellence Award	The Council awards a "Basic Research Excellence Award" to applicants from the Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences domain, who achieve an 'A' rated outcome- but do not receive funding - in the European Research Council (ERC) competitive process. The ERC funds investigator-driven frontier research and the Basic Research Excellence Award is contingent on a bona fide intention to reapply to the ERC in the next available call.	Rolling	

Humanities in the European Research Area (HERA) Call 2015	HERA is a partnership of 21 humanities funding councils across Europe. It funds collaborative research projects from international consortia of Humanities researchers. The Council supports applications from academic research staff in higher education institutions and research performing organisations in Ireland. Each participating researcher must hold a minimum of a PhD and must be based at an eligible institution.	Q1 2015	Q1 2016
New Opportunities for Research Funding Agency Cooperation in Europe (NORFACE) Call 2015	The Irish Research Council is a member of NORFACE a partnership between 14 social sciences research councils across Europe. Common research funding instruments are developed by partners thus creating opportunities for facilitating and building new networks of research collaboration in the social sciences.	Q1 2015	Q2 2016
Enabling STEM-led Interdisciplinary Research (Co-fund of Science Foundation Ireland (SFI) Investigator Programme)	The SFI Investigator Programme will be co-funded by the Council so as to enable STEM researchers to incubate a collaborative project with an AHSS component. Projects will target medium to long term objectives of Horizon 2020 Societal Challenges. The Council will support the AHSS component of STEM-led projects in this programme.	Q1 2015	Q1 2016
Research for Policy Programme	In partnership with government departments and agencies, the Council will make awards for peer reviewed excellent research by experts in their field to support policy development and decisions in areas such as social progress and economic growth.	Q2 2015	Q3 2015
New Horizons Programme	Will provide project funding to support potential future applicants to Horizon 2020 and the European Research Council. i. As part of the programme innovative projects will be supported via a basic research 'Starter Grant Project'. This scheme will be open to researchers, from any AHSS discipline, who wish to develop track record and are considering future applications to the European Research Council. ii. New Horizons will include an 'Interdisciplinary Projects' strand to support AHSS researchers to incubate, in the short term, collaborative and innovative interdisciplinary projects with STEM researchers. Projects will address upcoming topics across all the societal challenges of Horizon 2020.	Q2 2015	Q3 2015

Knowledge Exchange & Travel Grants

New Foundations	<p>The 'New Foundations' scheme supports eligible researchers, from early to advanced career stage, who intend to pursue research, networking and/or dissemination activities within and across the diversity of disciplines. New Foundations includes three funding strands as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. 'Engaging Civic Society' - In partnership with The Wheel, the Council funds innovative collaborative research projects between an academic researcher and a community/voluntary group. ii. 'Marking the National Decade of Centenaries' – offers researchers the opportunity to acquire funding for activities designed specifically to contribute to the Decade of Centenaries Programme iii. 'Enhancing Knowledge Exchange' – In order to support researchers in raising awareness of the valuable impact of their research, both in the academic community and general society, funding is available for researcher activities designed to promote knowledge exchange and dissemination of research outputs. 	<p>-</p> <p>Q4 2015</p> <p>Q1 2016</p>
Ulysses	<p>The Ulysses Programme provides funding for new research collaborations between Irish and French researchers. The programme facilitates the exchange of innovative ideas and approaches between Irish and French researchers and the development of mutual research projects involving young Irish researchers visiting France and reciprocal visits involving young French researchers to Ireland.</p>	<p>TBA</p> <p>TBA</p>

Note: the timelines as outlined above are anticipated timelines and are subject to change where necessary.