Current research funding announcements/deadlines (external)

1. Research Council of Norway (Forskningsrådet NFR):

a) <u>FORNY2020</u> The main objective of FORNY2020 is increased commercialization of promising research results from publicly funded research institutions.

Deadline: 11 October 2017

b) <u>HELSEVEL - Pre-projects for Innovation Projects and international collaborative projects</u> is being announced to develop projects to enhance the role of research in promoting innovation and international research cooperation in health and welfare services

Deadline: 11 October 2017

c) Funding to encourage increased participation in EU health research (HELSE-EU): Support for development of proposals for EU funding for health research

The primary objective of the HELSE-EU scheme is to encourage Norwegian health researchers to participate under Horizon 2020 and to promote the submission of more project proposals. This fund is for collaboration to develop project proposals in areas of strategic importance for health.

Deadline: 11 October 2017

2. Horizon 2020 – several Calls Selected H2020 deadlines 2017:

European Research Council (ERC) Frontier research grants

a) Starting Grants

ERC Starting Grants are designed to support excellent Principal Investigators at the career stage at which they are starting their own independent research team or programme. Applicant Principal Investigators must demonstrate the ground-breaking nature, ambition and feasibility of their scientific proposal.

Deadline: 17 October 2017

b) Synergy Grant ERC Synergy Grants are intended to enable minimum two to maximum four Principal Investigators and their teams to bring together complementary skills, knowledge, and resources in new ways, in order to jointly address ambitious research problems.

Deadline: 14 November 2017

c) Upcoming call Consolidator Grant

The aim of this grant is to give the most prominent junior researchers the opportunity to consolidate their research, and to expand and broaden their research activities.

Deadline: (expected) 24 October 2017

Marie Sklodovska-Curie Actions (MSCA) Excellent and innovative research training plus attractive career and knowledge-exchange opportunities through cross-border and cross-sector mobility, no thematic priorities.

Coming call a) **The Innovative Training Networks (ITN)** aim to train a new generation of creative, entrepreneurial and innovative early-stage researchers, able to face current and future challenges and to convert knowledge and ideas into products and services for economic and social benefit. <u>Information about the previous call</u> More information to come when the call is announced!

Expected deadline: 17. January 2018.

Spreading excellence and widening participation through engaging organisations of those countries which could commit more towards the EU research and innovation effort.

<u>Twinning WIDESPREAD-05-2017</u>: The specific challenge is to address networking gaps and deficiencies between the research institutions of the Widening countries and internationally-leading counterparts at EU level. CSA Coordination and support action.

Deadline: 15 November 2017

Horizon 2020 - Complementary Calls:

a) <u>IMI2 Call 11 and Call 12 launch</u> the Innovative Medicines Initiative (IMI) is launching two new Calls for proposals with topics on Alzheimer's disease, big data, vaccines, autoimmune disease, the blood-brain barrier, drug development, and the exploitation of IMI project results.

<u>IMI2 Call 11</u> Single stage proposals. The topic of this call is *Exploitation of IMI project results*. Information can also be found on the participant portal: Exploitation of IMI project results

Deadline: 24 October 2017

IMI2 Call 12 Two stage proposals. The topics of this call are:

Topic 1 : <u>Development and validation of technology enabled, quantitative and sensitive measures of</u> functional decline in people with early stage Alzheimer's disease (RADAR-AD)

Topic 2: FAIRification of IMI and EFPIA data

Topic 3: <u>Development of sensitive and validated clinical endpoints in primary Sjögren's Syndrome</u> (pSS)

Topic 4: European Health Data Network (EHDN)

Topic 5: <u>Analysing the infectious disease burden and the use of vaccines to improve healthy years in aging populations</u>

Topic 6: <u>Discovery and characterisation of blood-brain barrier targets and transport mechanisms for</u> brain delivery of therapeutics to treat neurodegenerative & metabolic diseases

Topic 7: European Screening Centre: unique library for attractive biology (ESCulab)

Deadline: first stage 24 October 2017, second stage 16 May 2018

- b) <u>COST Action</u>: open Call COST does NOT fund research itself, but supports networking via different tools such as meetings, short term scientific missions, training schools and dissemination activities part of COST Actions. Proposals should reflect the main characteristics of COST Actions, namely providing for knowledge sharing, creation and application, being open and output-oriented while aiming at strengthening the scientific and technological basis of the proposed topic(s). Actions are:
- -Stem cells of marine/aquatic invertebrates: from basic research to innovative applications
- European Network on Understanding Gastrointestinal Absorption-related Processes
- -European Network for Problematic Usage of the Internet
- -Maximising Impact of research in NeuroDevelopmental DisorderS
- -Coordination and Harmonization of European Occupational Cohorts
- -European network of multidisciplinary research to improve the urinary stents
- -Leukemia Gene Discovery by data sharing, mining and collaboration
- -Realising the therapeutic potential of novel cardioprotective therapies

- -Indoor living space improvement: Smart Habitat for the Elderly
- -Investigation and Mathematical Analysis of Avant-garde Disease Control via Mosquito Nano-Tech-Repellents
- -European Network of Vaccine Adjuvants
- -European Cleft and Craniofacial Initiative for Equality in Care

More information can be found here and you can use this application form.

Deadline: 25 April 2018

Read more (information and routines for application at UiB).

3. UiB

a) <u>PES and POS</u> (**Project establishment support**) and **POS** (**posisjoneringsmidler**) for Horizon2020 applicants (Norges Forskningsråd/UiB): open-ended during Horizon2020 Call period. Each H2020 coordinator-submitted, and formally approved/eligible proposal, will receive a PES grant without submitting a PES-application. Each submitted and formally approved/eligible partner proposal will receive a minimum of NOK 20,000 without submitting a PES-application.

You can apply for POS support by filling in POS application form (which is given on the above linked page) and sending it to Kristin.Hansen@uib.no.

On the following page the <u>local contact points</u> are listed where every call has a responsible research advisor. You can contact them or faculty advisors, Ramune Midttveit, Itana Sloper-Krivokapic.

4. <u>Call: YoungCAS Summer 2018</u> YoungCAS offers a unique opportunity for postdocs and other young scholars to do group-based research with colleagues from around the world during a one-week stay in Oslo.

Deadline: 13 November 2017

5. Upcoming call <u>Centre for Advanced Study (CAS)</u> The agreement between UiB and CAS gives researchers with a permanent scientific position an opportunity to apply for their own research group for a one-year stay at the center. They choose their own theme and specialization, and invite researchers from all over the world to participate in the project.

Deadline: January 2018

- **6.** EDCTP is launching 11 calls for proposals in 2017 to support clinical research and capacity building in sub-Saharan Africa. Proposals are invited for the following topics:
- Treatment innovations for poverty-related diseases
- Strategic actions supporting large-scale clinical trials
- Clinical trials to reduce health inequities in pregnant women, newborns and children
- Targeting control and elimination of NIDs through clinical trials
- Targeting control and elimination of NIDs through product-focused implementation research
- EDCTP-AREF Preparatory Fellowships
- Ethics and regulatory capacities
- Career Development Fellowships
- EDCTP-TDR Clinical Research and Development Fellowships
- Senior Fellowships
- Senior Fellowships for co-morbidities between poverty-related diseases (PRDs) and non-communicable diseases (NCDs)

Some of the calls are single stage and some are in two stages. For more information please have a look at the website given above.

Deadlines: from 5 September 2017 to 2 February 2018

- 7. <u>EEA</u> The activities funded under this call should aim at planning of joint research undertakings, joint proposals to be submitted under Horizon 2020 and other international R&D funding programmes. **Deadline:** 31 December 2017
- 8. The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research

Full Proposals Deadline (by invite only): 23 January 2018

Mitochondrial Biomarkers for Parkinson's Disease

Full Proposals Deadline (by invite only): 23 January 2018

9. <u>SIU - Russia program</u> Up to NOK 21 million for three-year project cooperation between higher education institutions in Norway and Russia. Support of up to NOK 2 million per project can be applied.

Deadline: 1 November 2017

10. <u>Barnekreftforeningen</u> wants to support relevant projects in children oncology where the results of the projects are going to benefit children in Norway. More information here.

Deadline: 1 December 2017

Fellowships and Personal Grants

1.EMBO (European Molecular Biology Organization) Fellowships

Research on the molecular mechanisms of life at all levels.

Deadline: throughout the year.

<u>Short-term</u> Short-Term Fellowships fund research exchanges of up to three months between laboratories in eligible countries.

<u>Long-term</u> The EMBO Long-Term Fellowships are awarded for a period of up to two years and support post-doctoral research visits to laboratories throughout Europe and the world.

2. <u>Harkness Fellowship</u> The Commonwealth Fund's Harkness Fellowships in Health Care Policy and Practice provide a unique opportunity for mid-career health services researchers and practitioners to spend up to 12 months in the United States, conducting original research and working with leading U.S. health policy experts.

Deadline: 13 November 2017

3. The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research: The Edmond J. Safra Fellowship in Movement Disorders The goal is to develop a network of highly trained clinician-researchers — the next generation of leaders in Parkinson's patient-relevant drug development and expert clinical care.

Deadline: 6 December 2017

Meetings/workshops/conferences

- 1. <u>SC6-H2020 CONSORTIUM BUILDING WORKSHOP</u> is a one-day Consortium building workshop around selected topics of the upcoming Work Programme (2018-2020) of the Horizon 2020 Societal Challenge 6 (Europe in a changing world Inclusive, innovative and reflexive societies). 26 October 2017, Brussels, Belgium
- **2.** <u>Healthcare Brokerage Event MEDICA 2017</u> The aim is to assist enterprises, universities and research institutions in finding partners in Europe for product development, manufacturing and licensing agreements, joint ventures or other types of partnership, Dusseldorf, Germany, 14 November 2017 <u>Registration</u>
- New link 3. Horizon 2020: Society challenges, ICT and digitization. The Research Council of Norway and Innovation Norway invite you to an information and matchmaking event for research organisations, SMEs, large entreprises, the public sector and academia. 18 October 2017, Research Council, Lysaker, Registration until 13 October!
- **4**. 4th Conference of Joint Programme Initiative Healthy Diet for Healthy Life (JPI HDHL) , Brussels, 1 December,
- **5**. <u>Info Day, Horizon 2020 'Health, demographic change and wellbeing'</u>, 8 December 2017, Brussels, Belgium.

Draft programme and registrations to follow at the end of September.

6. <u>Horizon 2020 - Health Partnering Day 2017</u> Health NCP Net 2.0 is organizing a free of charge Partnering event, meant to assist you in finding the right partners for the upcoming 2018 calls. 7 December 2017, Brussels. Registration until 6 November 2017.