EUROPEAN RESEARCH INFORMATION DAY IN SEATTLE

Destination Europe showcases Europe’s vibrant and exciting research and innovation ecosystem and the opportunities available to researchers from anywhere in the world. A joint initiative of the European Union and its Member States, Destination Europe 2020 will be hosted by the University of Washington in Seattle and is open to all who are interested in exploring what Europe has to offer to them in all fields of research.

Attendees at Destination Europe will find:

• Experts from European research organizations, funding agencies and European Commission services presenting programs, initiatives, and opportunities to develop their research career in Europe

• Researchers who have had the experience of moving to Europe temporarily or permanently sharing their experience

• Information about the practicalities of moving to Europe (scientific visa, mobility centers, etc.)

• An exhibition space with stands providing additional information

Participation is free but prior registration is essential.

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## DESTINATION EUROPE CONFERENCE PROGRAM

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<td><strong>Introduction: Moderator</strong>&lt;br&gt;- Minna Wilkki, Head of the Communication Unit, Directorate General for Research and Innovation, European Commission</td>
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<td><strong>Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions</strong>&lt;br&gt;- Alessandra Luchetti, Head of Department, Research Executive Agency&lt;br&gt;- Jillian Helser, Environmental researcher, current MSCA fellow&lt;br&gt;- Dr. Steven Quistad, Molecular microbiologist, former MSCA fellow</td>
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| 01:30 PM - 02:00 PM | European Research Council  
- **Tony Lockett**, Head of Communication Unit, European Research Council Executive Agency  
- **Dr. Liesbet Geris**, ERC Grantee |                                                                              |
| 02:00 PM - 02:20 PM | Research in Germany: Funding & Career Opportunities  
- **Dietrich Wolf Fenner**, Program Manager, German Center for Research and Innovation (DWIH) New York  
- **Dr. Cathleen S. Fisher**, President, American Friends of the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation  
- **Dr. Rainer Gruhlich**, Director, German Research Foundation (DFG), North America Office  
- **Christian Joergens**, Head of Section Science & Technology, Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany |                                                                              |
| 02:20 PM - 02:40 PM | Opportunities in Sweden  
- **Dr. Henric Johnson**, Science & Innovation Counselor, Embassy of Sweden |                                                                              |
| 02:40 PM - 03:00 PM | Opportunities in the European Union’s Join Research Centre  
- **Marton Hajdu**, Head of Strategic Communication, Interinstitutional, International Relations & Outreach, Joint Research Centre |                                                                              |
| 03:00 PM - 03:20 PM | Opportunities in Switzerland  
- **Anouk De Bast**, Head of the Office of Science, Technology and Higher Education, Embassy of Switzerland |                                                                              |
| 03:20 PM - 03:40 PM | Opportunities in Denmark  
- **Dr. Jeppe Dørup Olesen**, Science Attaché/Consul/Innovation Centre Denmark, Palo Alto |                                                                              |
| 03:40 PM - 04:10 PM | Euraxess  
- **Jackson Howard**, Regional Representative, Euraxess North America |                                                                              |
| 04:10 PM - 04:30 PM | Closing Remarks |                                                                              |
| 04:30 PM - 05:30 PM | Cocktail Reception / visit Stands |                                                                              |
Exhibit space with stands featuring information on opportunities in:

- Austria
- Croatia
- Denmark
- France
- Germany
- Ireland
- Italy
- Poland
- Switzerland
- European Research Council (ERC)
- Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA)
- Euraxess
- Joint Research Centre (JRC)

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