# Research mobility programmes of the French Embassies in the Czech Republic and Slovakia

MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships as a tool for bilateral cooperation

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## French institutions in CZ and SK supporting scientific cooperation

#### Ambassade de France & Institut français

#### The Science and Academic Affairs Office

- Support the development of bilateral and multilateral relations in the field of higher education and research
- Promote French scientific and technological expertise
- Encourage the development of student mobility between France and CZ/SK and promote higher education in France





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#### CEFRES – French Research Center in Humanities and Social Sciences



Joint research unit (CNRS / French Ministry for European and Foreign Affairs)

- Bringing together researchers and research teams in FR, CZ, HU, PL, SK in the humanities and social sciences.
- Seminars, conferences, workshops
- Library
- Training for doctoral students (mobility grants), applications for European funding
- Cooperation with:
  - Charles University and the Czech Academy of Sciences
  - Comenius University and the Slovak Academy of sciences

to support joint CZ-FR-SK projects and encourage applications for European funding

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## Mobility programmes for researchers (1)

#### Bilateral Mobility: PHC Barrande (FR-CZ) and PHC Stefanik (FR-SK)

- Allow two research teams from FR and CZ or SK to deepen their cooperation via a joint scientific project
- Participation of young researchers requested
- 2-year projects
- Eligible expenses: bilateral missions of Czech researchers in France and French researchers in the Czech Republic

**Barrande**: Yearly call (in the Spring); 10 to 15 projects selected every year; ~5 500€/year for 2 years **Stefanik**: every 2 years (next call: Fall 2024); 10 to 15 supported projects per call; ~5 000€/year for 2 years

#### **PHC Danube**

- Regional programme based on a partnership between Austria, the Czech Republic, France, Serbia, Slovakia + Montenegro, Bulgaria<sup>NEW</sup>
  - → Create European networks to facilitate applications to EU funding opportunities
- Support to mobility
- Minimum of 3 partner countries involved
- 2-year projects
- Call every 2 years Next deadline: Jan 2025

## Mobility programmes for researchers (2)

#### Mobility programme of the French Embassy in Slovakia

- Stay of 1 to 3 months in a French institution
- Between 1704€ and 2055€ per month
- ~12 months awarded every year
- All disciplines, with special attention given to art&culture; health; food & agriculture; environmental issues; digital transition
- Yearly call (opens in September, closes in early November).

#### Social sciences and the humanities

- Partnership CEFRES, EHESS, Charles University, Czech Academy of Sciences (CAS)
  - → 1-month stay at EHESS for a French researcher (French Embassy scholarship)
  - → 1-month stay at Charles University or the CAS
  - → Yearly call in the Spring
- Partnership CEFRES-Slovak Academy of Sciences (SAV)
  - → 2-months stay at a French institution (French Embassy scholarship & SAV)
  - → Yearly call in November/December



## Mobility programmes for researchers (3)

### **MOPGA PROGRAMME**

- Started in 2017
- Programme for :
  - Students: Master and PhD
  - Researchers: Post-doc, advanced researchers



- 10 calls since 2017
- New call in 2024: for Post-docs, until January 2025
- Entirely financed by France, 2500€/ month



## Mobility programmes for PhD students – CZ / SK

#### The Barrande Fellowships Programme

- → Mobility programme that supports **PhD** mobility between France and the Czech Republic, in both directions
- Partnership between the MŠMT and the French **Embassy**
- Two types of mobility:
  - Short-term mobility (1 to 3 months)
  - Mobility in the frame of a co-tutelle (5 months per year over 3 years)
- ~1 700 euros per month
- All disciplines, with special attention given to the fields of energy, environmental sciences and IT
- Between 20 and 30 laureates every year
- Yearly call (late January / early February)













## Programme of the French Embassy in Slovakia

- → Mobility programmes that support **PhD** mobility from Slovakia to France
- Partnership between the Minedu and the French Embassy
- Two types of mobility:
  - Short-term mobility (1 to 3 months)
  - Mobility in the frame of a co-tutelle (6 months per year over 3 years)
- ~1 700€ per month
- Yearly calls: September for short stays, December for cotutelle



## **Mobility programmes for PhD students - SSH**

## <u>Doctoral mobility to the French Research Center in Humanities and Social Sciences - CEFRES (in Prague)</u>

- Support to PhD mobility from France, Hungary, Poland, the Czech Republic or Slovakia to CEFRES
  - Grant for a 1-year stay at CEFRES
  - 12 300€ for 12 months
  - Yearly call, currently open (deadline March 17th 2024)
- Support to PhD mobility from the Czech Republic to CEFRES
  - Partnership between CEFRES, the Czech Academy of Sciences and Charles University « Plateforme CEFRES »
  - Grant for a 1-year stay at CEFRES
  - 9 230€ for 12 months (on top of PhD scholarship)
  - Yearly call, currently open (deadline March 17th 2024)
- Support to PhD mobility from Slovakia to CEFRES
  - Partnership between CEFRES, the Slovak Academy of Sciences and the Faculty of Humanities of Comenius University
  - Grant for nine-month stays at CEFRES
  - 500€ per month on top of PhD scholarship
  - Yearly call in February

## Support to conferences and seminars

#### **PARCECO** programme

- Supports the participation of French researchers to seminars or summer schools organized in Central or Eastern Europe
- All disciplines
- Yearly call (deadline usually in January)
- → Applications by French PIs

https://www.enseignementsup-recherche.gouv.fr/fr/appel-d-offre-parceco-2024



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#### **ACCES** programme

- Supports the participation of researchers from Central or Eastern Europe to conferences and seminars organized in France
- All disciplines
- Yearly call (deadline usually in January)
- → Applications by French PIs

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