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RESEARCHERS IN MOTION

"EURAXESS - Researchers in Motion" is a unique initiative of the European Commission, which aims to support mobility and career development of researchers, thus contributing to the development of the European Research Area.The main goal of the EURAXESS network is to facilitate the process of creating a pan-European market for researchers by providing them free of charge information services and high-quality support in terms of their Career Development.

ARMENIA BECAME A PART OF EURAXESS FAMILY

Starting from September 2019, the National Academy of Sciences of RA became a member of the EURAXESS European Network in the framework of the EU Horizon 2020 EURAXESS-Armenia project.

The overall objectives of the EU funded EURAXESS-AM project are:

- to set-up the Armenian EURAXESS Service Network and web-portal where a comprehensive up-to-date information and personalized assistance to mobility researchers coming to and going from Armenia is provided;
- to provide access to a complete range of information and support services for European and non-European researchers wishing to develop their career, thus, contributing to better integration of Armenian research community into European Research Area;
- to ensure an easier re-integration of returning researchers and access to adequate career development measures and opportunities;
- to set-up a system facilitating researchers' better career development and mobility through the network of LoCPs (Local Contact Points);
- to ensure quality assistance in career development and mobility related issues for researchers in dealing with legal and administrative matters like temporary stay, work and residence permits, visa issues, health and social security issues, etc.;
- to support research organizations, universities and companies in recruiting outstanding researchers from abroad by setting-up the EURAXESS Network Services in Armenia.



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EURAXESS NATIONAL PORTAL OF ARMENIA IS LAUNCHED

One of the main tasks of EURAXESS-AM Project was setting up the web-portal where a comprehensive up-to-date information and personalized assistance to mobility researchers coming to and going from Armenia is provided. On 15 June, 2020, after all relevant technical, structural and content related changes and improvements, the EURAXESS-Armenia Portal first release went live and was accessible from the **EURAXESS MAIN PORTAL**.

EURAXESS Armenia portal is designed to provide information and assistance to mobile researchers with the support of our national EURAXESS Centres. Here you will find information on job and funding opportunities and on administrative procedures that affect researchers and their families when moving to Armenia or leaving to a foreign country.

EURAXESS Armenia is part of a European Commission initiative to help mobile researchers. This Network is made of more than 600 European Services Centres in 42 different countries that provide free of charge assistance to researchers and their families in matters such as visas, recognition of diplomas, social security and any other legal and cultural aspects.

National portals of the EURAXESS members form an integral part of the EURAXESS initiative and are designed to provide comprehensive information to facilitate researchers' mobility and on relevant tools and services for Career Development. We are pleased to inform you that the EURAXESS National Portal of Armenia, developed in the framework of the EURAXESS-Armenia project is already available online **EURAXESS ARMENIA**.

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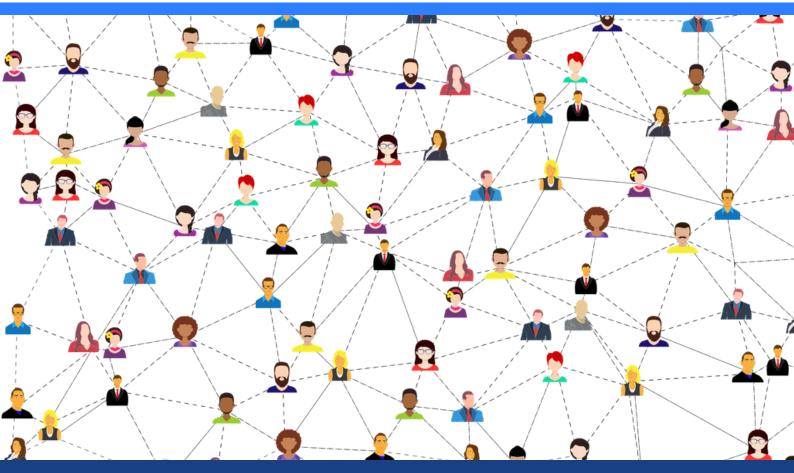
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EURAXESS CONTACT POINTS NETWORK CREATED IN ARMENIA

One of the tasks of the EURAXESS-AM Project was establishment of EURAXESS Contact Points network in Armenia. For implementation of this task, call for expression of interest was announced in March 2020 and widely disseminated to universities, research institutions and private companies. As a result, three expressions of interest were received from 2 major universities of Armenia, namely, Yerevan State University and Yerevan State Medical University, as well as International Scientific and Educational Center of the NAS RA.

All these organizations are very active in international cooperation and are involved in international exchange programmes which was one of the main selection criterion. Thus, these three organizations were selected to be EURAXESS Contact Points in Armenia and relevant Declarations of Commitments were signed with each of them. The Contact Points are supposed to provide support to mobile incoming and outgoing researchers on the issues of accommodation, career development, job and research funding opportunities, medical care and health insurance, and other relevant aspects.

For more information please visit **EURAXESS ARMENIA**.



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TRAINING FOR EURAXESS CONTACT POINTS

The first training within EURAXESS-AM project for EURAXESS-AM contact points was organized on June 30, 2020, in close cooperation and kind contribution of the EC and EURAXESS TOP IV project partners from Belgium and Slovakia. Due to global pandemic the training session was organized online as a webinar. The training was attended by around 30 participants including the BHO, Service Centre and Contact Points' team members, H2020 NCPs, individual researchers and other stakeholders.

The welcome addresses were made by Chairman of Science Committee of the Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sports of the Republic of Armenia, Dr. S. Hayotsyan and Head of Unit, DG Research and Innovation of the EC, Mrs. A. Karamali. The training agenda covered presentations on general overview of EURAXESS initiative and network, EURAXESS-AM project and implementation process, overview of EURAXESS portal, Armenian portal overview and possible synergies with Enterprise Europe Network, sharing experiences and good practices from Liege University and opportunities on capacity building within TOP IV project. The agenda was included Q&A session. Other trainings are also planned within the project, the topics of which will be outlined based on need assessment of contact point's team members and other stakeholders.



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UPCOMING EVENTS AND NEWS

Annual Research Conference 2020

Annual Research Conference 2020 - Europe's quest for new models of sustainable growth and convergence, an online event will be organized by the directorate-general for economic and financial affairs of the European Commission (DG ECFIN) on November 13, 2020. The conference will examine Europe's quest for new models of sustainable growth and convergence in extraordinary and challenging times. Mapping out Europe's post-pandemic socio-economic agenda calls for an integrated approach towards the simultaneous policy challenges of going grey, green and digital at a time when the impact of the pandemic is accelerating change. The list of speakers and discussants include high rank officials from the EC and prominent experts from various European institutions. For more information and registration please visit the <u>CONFERENCE WEBSITE.</u>

EURAXESS BHO Virtual Meeting

EURAXESS BHO Virtual Meeting will be organized on 18-19 November, 2020. EURAXESS National Coordinators and ERAC Standing Working Group on Human Resources and Mobility can join the meeting. The meeting will include workgroup discussion on ERA Talent Platform from policy to implementation, focused on network and services, and portal(s) and tools from the following different aspects:

- · Content, quality and impact of services
- Process, structure, framework of cooperation and coordination
- Promotion, branding, portals and tools, social networking and engagement with researchers and institutions
- · Communication and outreach to citizens and society

For more information and registration please visit the **EVENT WEBSITE**.



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Friday Chat Over Coffee: A Series of Virtual Meetings for EURAXESS Network

A series of virtual meetings for EURAXESS network members will be organized between January and April 2021, every last Friday each month. Supporting researchers' careers is one of the EURAXESS network's tasks and not an easiest one. Different materials and tools available on the portal and Extranet serve the network to make this job more efficient. But what is also needed, is the discussions to exchange experiences, knowledge and ideas between network members. With this in mind, a series of virtual meetings will be organized within TOPIV project, to provide an opportunity for network members meeting up in an informal atmosphere to discuss and share on experiences, ideas and good practice.

The first such online event with focus on the topic "How to engage researchers in career planning" and will be organized on January 29, 2021. For more information and registration please visit the <u>Events Calendar</u> at the Extranet.

