DRC Newsletter January/February 2017

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Dear subscribers to the DRC Newsletter! We are back from the winter break and we hope you find a lot of useful information in our combined newsletter for January and February!

Feedback and comments are welcome!

- 1. Save the date: 14th DRC Summer School in Pécs, Hungary
- 2. Save the date: DRC Annual Meeting Zagreb 8.-10. November 2017
- 3. DRC Annual Meeting Krems 9.-11. November 2016
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1. Save the date: 14th DRC Summer School in Pécs, Hungary

Planning for our next DRC Summer School is under way. This year we will return to the University of Pécs. The 14th DRC Summer School with the title "New Borders Between Old Neighbours – Return of History in The Danube Region?" will take place from 2. - 9. July 2017. A call for application will be published soon <u>here</u>.

our next Annual Meeting Will be held 8.-10. Novem

University of Zagreb

3. DRC Annual Meeting Krems 9.-11. November 2016



The Annual Meeting with the title "Vision, Knowledge, Prosperity. The Universities' Contribution to Implementing the EUSDR – Good Practice and Challenges" was held at the Danube University Krems 9.-11. November 2016. Further information can be found on our website.

A report is available on the website of the Danube University Krems (in German).

The final conclusions adopted by the General Assembly as well as the action plan can be found here.

4. DRC Fund For Incentives 2017

The DRC general assembly decided to continue the DRC Fund for Incentives.

This fund will be funded from the budget of DRC into which each full member of DRC contributes 500 € per year as DRC membership fee.

The purpose of the fund is to support the cooperation of DRC members which contributes to achieving the goals of EU Strategy for the Danube region in the priority areas where the universities have a strong position and their participation is exclusively needed.

DEADLINE FOR THE APPLICATIONS for 2017 is February 28, 2017.

If you don't have access, please send an email to info@drc-danube.org

5. International Conference "Agriculture for Life – Life for Agriculture"

It is our pleasure to invite you to participate in the 6th edition of the *International*Conference "Agriculture for Life – Life for Agriculture" which will be held between
8-10 June, 2017 at the University of Agronomic Sciences and Veterinary Medicine of
Bucharest. Please, find detailed information in the Conference flyer enclosed.

It will be an honor for us to welcome you as guests in our university at the International
Conference in 2017 when we celebrate 165 years of the foundation.



More information can be found here: http://agricultureforlife.usamv.ro/index.php/en/

6. CASEE Newsletter February 2017

CASEE was founded in 2010 upon the initiative of the University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna, and involves Life Science Universities in Albania, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Croatia, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia, Serbia, Ukraine and Austria. It aims to support the development of the EU Strategie for the Danube Region to strenghten research, education and University Development inthis region and to develop joint research, educational and other projects. To open the newsletter, click <a href="https://example.com/here/bearth-left-science-linearity-left-scienc

7. Call for applications for the Henri Rieben Scholarship of the Foundation (academic year 2017-2018)

The Henri Rieben Scholarship of the Foundation is put in contest for the seventh consecutive year.

Amounting to 3'000 CHF net per month in addition to the reimbursement of expenses for the journey (place of residence-Lausanne- place of residence), the scholarship allows advanced doctoral researchers from around the world to stay in the premises of the Foundation for a duration of one to three months (between September 1, 2017 and July 16, 2018).

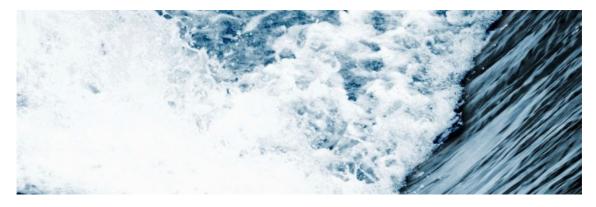
Whatever the discipline of the researchers, their doctoral thesis will have to regard the history or the stakes of the European integration process, or else the relations between Switzerland and Europe.

The grant holders selected will be based at the Farm of Dorigny, headquarters of the Foundation, situated on the Lausanne University Campus.

The applications submission deadline is set to March 5, 2017. The file must be electronically submitted to the secretariat of the Foundation (secr@fjme.unil.ch). Decisions will be notified to the candidates for the end of May, 2017.

Further information can be found here: http://jean-monnet.ch/en/mise-au-concours-de-la-bourse-henri-rieben-de-la-fondation-pour-lannee-academique-2015-2016-2/

8. DRC Facebook Page



We are implementing a new Facebook page for the DRC. Please like us at the link below:



The importance of science-based evidence for policy making is increasingly recognised by the decision makers and finds resonance in academia. To enhance the science-policy interface, the JRC is launching a new Collaborative Doctoral Partnership (CDP) scheme in cooperation with universities from the EU Member States and countries associated to the EU Horizon 2020 research programme. The partnership will offer opportunities to a new generation of doctoral students, with particular focus on research for policy-making.

Through the CDP the JRC seeks to establish strategic collaborations with universities with international reputation in science and technology and participate in providing doctoral studies to a new generation of students. Participation in the scheme will allow acquiring sensitivity to the needs of the science-policy interface, ability to understand the research needs at different stages of the policy cycle, and acquire new skills in science communication.

In practical terms it will mean shared development of research programmes, hosting and supervising doctoral studies between universities and the JRC.

The partnerships should also lead to strengthened collaboration between the JRC and universities by promoting mutual enhancement of related skills and competences, combining knowledge, capacities, and networking in key scientific areas.

In the pilot phase of the project launched on 19 December 2016, six thematic areas will be fostered: energy and transport modelling, soil and land use change, bio-economy and forests, machine learning, genomics and bioinformatics, and nuclear decommissioning and waste management.

Further information on application details is available on the <u>CDP webpage</u>. Deadline for application is **15 March 2017**.

10. EUA Affiliate Status and EUA Newsletter

We are continuously strengthening and expanding our network. Since November 2015, the DRC is affiliate member of the <u>European University Association</u>.

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