EURAXESS ARMENIA QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

"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.
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. 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, the EURAXESS-Armenia Portal first release went live.

In June of 2021 the project received its first review from EC which was overall satisfactory and contained some recommendations. Following these recommendations a number of important updates were introduced to the portal, mainly: A page dedicated to Armenian researchers in Diaspora was developed and added to the Career Development section.

Women’s Right tab was added to the Day care, schooling & family related issues section. The provided information covers legal framework guaranteeing women’s rights, links to the women’s rights protecting organization, hot lines, information on Association of Women Scientist in Armenia.

Working Environment section has been added to the portal with appropriate links to the available resource on the EURAXESS main portal: European Charter for Researchers and the Code of Conduct for the Recruitment of Researchers (C&C), the Human Resources Strategy for Researchers (HRS4R) and SCIENCE4REFUGEES Initiative.
2ND AND 3RD 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.

Two more trainings for the EURAXESS Contact Points were organized by EURAXESS Armenia BHO.

The 2nd Training was organized on February 24, 2021. It covered an overview of the EURAXESS-AM project and network activities, EURAXESS Portal functionalities and opportunities as well as state-of-the-play for EU 8th Framework Programme for Research & Innovation, Horizon Europe.

The 3rd Training was organized on July 27, 2021 and covered general overview of EURAXESS Armenia project and Network activities, key EURAXESS Portal functionalities and opportunities, Euraxess online tools to support Researcher Career Development. The Horizon Europe Programme as well as highlights on Serbian Euraxess Network and Serbian experience was presented by colleagues from EURAXESS Serbia.

Overall 40 participants attended the trainings and left a very positive feedback.
Two electronic versions of Armenian Mobility guides for incoming and outgoing researchers were developed and uploaded to the Armenian EURAXESS Portal with the aim to provide first practical assistance to incoming and outgoing researchers regarding most important information relevant for mobile researchers, including but not limited to a brief overview of the country, with general and special characteristics, general formalities when moving to Armenia, facing new culture, adjustment to the new environment and spouse concerns, overview of research and education system, working conditions, living conditions, information resources with links to websites and portals and much more.
Annual Research Conference 2021

Annual Research Conference (ARC) 2021 will take place on 15th November 2021. It is co-organized by the Directorate-General for Economic and Financial Affairs (DG ECFIN) and the Joint Research Centre (JRC). The ARC is a high-level platform where European institutions exchange knowledge and participate in interaction with academics and think tanks, civil society practitioners, and people.

This year the ARC will focus on the challenges posed to Europe by the post-pandemic economy and society. Speakers will cover a wide range of themes, including the pandemic's unequal effects on individuals, businesses, and governments, the pandemic's implications for value chains, and the pandemic's pronounced impact on school-aged children and women. Academic researchers and EU officials will debate how the Recovery and Resilience Facility might help the EU become stronger and more resilient in the aftermath of the financial crisis.

For more information and registration please visit the [CONFERENCE WEBSITE](#).

The ARC of last year entitled ‘Europe’s quest for new models of sustainable growth and convergence’ was held on 13 November and took place entirely online, due to restrictions related to the COVID-19 pandemic. More information as well as the event's recording can be found [here](#).
Webinar Series 2021 Euraxess Worldwide & European Research Council - Grants for top researchers from anywhere in the world

The Euraxess Worldwide Network and ERC will organize seven webinars between 28th September and 7th October for researchers from different regions around the world.

ERCEA Scientific Officers will present ERC funding opportunities and provide information on applications and evaluations, while ERC grantees will share their experiences applying for grants and give advice to applicants based outside of Europe.

R&I Science Counsellors based in EU delegations in the different regions may take part and give an overview of the global approach to international cooperation in research and innovation.

All webinars will have live Q&A sessions with the audience.

Registrations will be available on 1st of October, 2021.

REGISTRATION
We are happy to announce that the EURAXESS Armenia Portal Inauguration event, which was planned for October of 2020 but has been postponed because of the situation with COVID-19 pandemic and the quarantine regime extension, will be held in November of 2021. To ensure wider dissemination and impact, the EURAXESS Armenia Portal Inauguration event will be organized in line with Armenia’s Horizon Europe (HE) Association & Launching Event Association of Armenia to EU Horizon Europe Programme is in process and the signature of the Association Agreement is planned for the first half of November of 2021. The EURAXESS Armenia Portal Inauguration event will be held following the Association Agreement signature in the second half of November 2021.

Please follow our news and stay tuned for the announcement of the events.

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National Portal Inauguration Event
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