European Commission Programme Training and Mobility of Researchers

Information on this progrmame is now available directly from the EC via Internet on:
http://www.cordis.lu

Recall that the various parts of this programme are the following.

Individual fellowships These are grants for scientists of one member state wishing to work for a period in a department of another member state.

There are various categories.

B20: Doctoral grants

B30: Post-doctoral grants, for those having already obtained their Ph.D. Essentially, the age limit is 35.

B40: Grants for established researchers, particularly from industrialized regions, who wish to join a team in a less favored region to import their research experience.

Return grants: For researchers of less favored regions, who have benefited from a grant and want to go back to their country.

There are regular calls for proposals.

Networks These are networks of at least 5 groups in at least 3 countries, working on a specific theme.

The accent is put on training, so that more than half the money should be used as salaries for young researchers. The rest should help improving collaboration of the groups in the network.

Note that these rules lead to a situation not suitable for mathematical research: large amounts of money have to be concentrated on a small number of small specialized networks.

It is possible that some rules change before the next call for proposals, so that it will be necessary to check regularly Cordis. In particular, the next deadline for applications could change.

In the fellowships and networks categories, the available budget is shared between the various sciences proportionnally to the amounts applied for. The applicants who were not funded (the rates of success are very small) might find some solace in the fact that their application increased the number of successful ones in mathematics.

Accompanying measures These are essentially Euroconferences and Summer Schools, defined as series of meetings on a theme. The Summer Schools should particulerly stress the training of young scientists.

The present call for proposals in this category has deadline April 1.

Information packages Information packages, including application forms, can be obtained by fax at the following numbers (32 2)2962136, 2962133, 2956995 or 2963270.

Cooperation with developing countries A call for proposals will be launched on 15 march 1996. At the time of writing, I don't know what subjects will be covered.

Information will be available on:

http://www.cordis.lu/cgi/build_doclist.pl

(scroll down to INCO and select information package for part C).

Also on http://www.cec.lu (under DG 12 entry)

Cordis The final advise will be to consult Cordis rather regularly, to be able to introduce applications within the deadlines.

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