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# EEA/Norway Grants

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# The EEA and Norway Grants

The EEA Grants and Norway Grants represent the contribution of Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway to reducing economic and social disparities and to strengthening bilateral relations with 15 EU countries in Central and Southern Europe and the Baltics.

## **PRIORITY SECTORS AND PROGRAMME AREAS EEA AND NORWAY GRANTS 2014 – 2021**

- Innovation, **Research**, Education and Competitiveness
- Social Inclusion, Youth Employment and Poverty Reduction
- Environment, Energy, Climate Change and Low Carbon Economy
- Culture, Civil Society, Good Governance and Fundamental Rights and Freedoms
- Justice and Home Affairs

## **Research**

### **OBJECTIVE**

Enhanced research-based knowledge development

### **AREAS OF SUPPORT**

- Research cooperation between donor and beneficiary countries
- Research within the priority sectors and/or programme areas of the EEA and Norway Grants or in other agreed areas
- Application of research results
- Capacity building in research, including supporting the careers of female researchers and early stage researchers
- Participation and cooperation of beneficiary countries in the European Research Area (ERA)

# EEA/Norway Grants- 2009-2014- UiS

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## EEA Projects- Research collaboration (UiS):

- Multifield CO2 Storage for Environment and Energy (MUSE)
- Design, environmental impact and performance of energized fluids for fracturing oil and gas reservoir rocks of Central Europe (ENFLUID)
- Conception of reuse of the waste from onshore and offshore drilling in the aspect of environmental protection (RWPI)
- Work-Life Balance and Gender Equality - Cross-Cultural Comparison of Polish and Norwegian Families (WLB\_GE)
- Animals in changing environments: Cultural mediation and semiotic analysis (EMP151)

## EEA Scholarships/mobility (UiS) etc.

- Most faculties have mobility agreements/projects (31 agreements at UiS)

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How we prepare for the new programme:

## **Researchers**

- Build on the already established cooperation (EEA, EU and RCN)
- Encourage researchers to establish new contacts (young researchers)
- Networks- European Consortium of Innovative Universities, COST etc.

## **Visits (examples)**

- Technical University of Ostrava (Czech Republic) and AGH University of Science and Technology in Krakow, Poland.

AGH in Krakow - Presentations about research activities and discussions on research cooperation (MOU Norway-Poland). Focusing on the energy transition (from coal to renewable energy). Goal-define and apply for two or three EEA/Norway Grants projects.

Technical university of Ostrava (Czech Republic) - Information about science/technology/ engineering relevant for renewable energy in general and a special focus on geothermal energy at both universities; study programs, research, laboratories, relevant research networks in EU, ongoing EU projects, collaboration with industry...

# EEA/Norway Grants- Mobilization

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- Good relations with the Norwegian Research Council
  - EEA/Norway Grants meetings at UiS
  
- Information Meeting at UiS, 3 May 2018
  - Info about calls (Romania)- first call
  - Info about future opportunities/calls- MoU and timeline
  - Share experiences between researchers and projects

Research Council, SIU and Innovation Norway

# EEA/Norway Grants- Horizon/FP9

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- EEA/Norway Grants is important for internationalization and long term strategy towards FP9
  - Networks
  - Sustainable and good partnerships
  - Joint success in H2020/FP9
- Build closer links between Research- Education (and Innovation)
  - International Office and EU Office working together at UiS
    - Norwegian Research Council, SIU and Innovation Norway
- Structural funds? Brexit?
  - The role and opportunities for EEA/Norway Grants