

Research Update Archive – April-June 2009

Thursday 25 June

- **Economic History Society, Initiatives and Conference Fund.** **Deadline: 1 August 2009.**
This fund is designed to encourage otherwise unfunded workshops, special meetings and other initiatives in economic and social history. Grants are worth up to £2,000 or up to £1,000 for a one-day workshop. <http://www.ehs.org.uk/ehs//GrantsAwardsPrizes/ICF.asp>
- **National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) – Research for innovation speculation and creativity.** **Deadline: 4 August 2009.**
This scheme supports research of direct benefit to users of the NHS in England. The programme is for potentially paradigm-changing projects in health services and public health research. The maximum award available per project is £200,000, for a duration of up to 18 months. <http://www.nihr-ccf.org.uk/site/callsproposals/risc/default.cfm>
- **MRC/ESRC/AHRC/EPSRC, Digital Economy Research in the Wild.** **Deadline: expressions of interest 5pm, 14 August; invited full proposals 4pm, 6 October 2009.**
The Digital Economy is an RCUK Cross-Research Council Programme involving EPSRC, ESRC, AHRC and MRC, hence challenges in the Digital Economy will require multi-disciplinary input across a broad spectrum of subjects including researchers from the arts and humanities, economic and social scientists, medical sciences, in addition to engineering and physical sciences. This call aims to allow researchers in the digital economy to expose and test their research ideas with potential beneficiaries – eg, the individual, business or society – in order to get closer to achieving a viable proposition with potential for transformational impact. Projects are limited to up to 18 months in duration. <http://www.epsrc.ac.uk/CallsForProposals/RiTWh.htm>

Thursday 18 June

- **ESRC, the Michael Young Prize 2010.** **Deadline: 31 July 2009.**
The Economic and Social Research Council's Michael Young Prize promotes excellence in the social sciences by rewarding the very best early career researchers. The prize was set up in the honour of the late Lord Michael Young of Darlington by the ESRC and the Young Foundation. The prize includes up to £6,000 financial support for research publicity; expert help with circulating the results of your research communications networking and PR support; and one year's full membership with the British Sociological Association (BSA) and subscription to a BSA journal of your choice. Please see www.esrcsocietytoday.ac.uk/young
- **Joseph Rowntree Foundation, Call for Proposals: the Social Justice Implications of Climate Change in the UK.** **Deadline: 31 July 2009, 2.00 pm.**
This is the first call for proposals to be issued for the Foundation's work programme on Climate Change and Poverty in the UK. It will support research which will build up the evidence base on both the social impacts and social justice implications of climate change in the UK. It will be followed by work in 2010 to support policy and practice responses to climate change on mitigation and adaptation and work in 2010-11 to support social and technical innovation. It is intended that this research will provide an evidence base to help policymakers and practitioners to develop effective strategic responses

to climate change that take account of poverty and disadvantage.

<http://www.jrf.org.uk/funding/calls-for-proposal/social-justice-climate-change>

- **EPSRC, Transforming Energy Demand through Digital Innovation - Call for Attendees. Scoping and Network Meeting on 21 July 2009; Deadline for applications to attend the meeting - Midday, June 30 2009.**

Applicants are invited to attend a one day meeting that will help finalise the scope for a call for proposals concerned with the application of digital technologies to the reduction of energy demand in other sectors. The resulting call will specifically exclude single discipline research directed at a single sector e.g. improving energy efficiency of computers, servers and devices. A further objective of the meeting will be to encourage researchers in the different communities to engage, with a view to collaboration. See <http://www.epsrc.ac.uk/CallsForProposals/digitalinnovationcall.htm>

- **Australian Government -Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations. 2010 Endeavour Research Fellowships. Deadline: 11.59pm AEST, 31 July 2009.**

Financial support is provided for postgraduate students and postdoctoral fellows from participating countries (UK is included) to undertake short-term research, from four to six months, in any field of study in Australia; and for Australian students to undertake short-term research, from four to six months, in any field of study in participating countries. Awards are worth up to \$23,500. Please visit

http://www.endeavour.deewr.gov.au/international_applicants/research_fellowships.htm

Thursday 11 June

- **EPSRC, Interdisciplinary Challenges for Complexity Science. Deadline for expressions of interest: 30 July 2009.**

The Complexity-NET European Research Area Network (ERA-NET), coordinated by the Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC), invites Expressions of Interest for transnational interdisciplinary research projects. Proposed projects should be grounded in the mathematical and physical sciences, designed around meaningful collaboration with other scientific disciplines, and should have a clear emphasis on the development of methodologies, tools and techniques of complexity science for addressing real-world challenges.

The principal themes of the call are:

- Emergence and self-organisation, individual to collective behaviour, micro to macro
- Dynamics and (un)predictability, risk and extreme events
- Resilience, sustainability, management and control of complex systems.

For more information, see

<http://www.epsrc.ac.uk/CallsForProposals/Complexity.htm>

- **Hospital Infection Society, Research Grants. Deadline: 31 July 2009.**

The Society invites applications for project grants to support work on the subject of 'hospital infection control', to be carried out in the UK and Eire. Please visit http://www.his.org.uk/grants_&_bursaries.cfm

- **Marc Fitch Fund, Awards. Deadline: 1 August 2009.**

These support research and publication in the fields of archaeology, historical geography, history of art and architecture, heraldry and genealogy, surnames,

catalogues of and use of archives (especially ecclesiastical), conservation of artefacts, and other antiquarian, archaeological or historical studies. The Fund's focus is on the regional and local history of the British Isles.
<http://www.marcfitchfund.org.uk/>

Thursday 4 June

- **Technology Strategy Board (TSB), Network security programme: information infrastructure protection (under £150,000).** Deadline: 20 July 2009. TSB's this funding scheme supports projects which accelerate UK technology deployment and emphasise developing the supply chain, system integration and usage issues. Grants are worth a maximum of £150,000 for up to 12 months. The indicative budget for this call is £6 million. See <http://www.innovateuk.org/deliveringinnovation/forthcomingcompetitions.ashx>
- **AXA Research Fund (FR), Research Projects.** Deadline: 24 July 2009. This supports projects which focus on issues raised by major transformation in the modern world and related risks. The budget for this call is 1.8 million euros. Projects should fall within one of the following themes:
 - Longevity & Healthy ageing: Understanding the specifics of OECD countries and/or in Asian countries
 - Impact of Climate Change on European Windstorm tracks
 - Hail Climate Risk and its Evolution under a Global Warming
 - Long-term Care coverage for public and private systems
 - Corporate Performance in Current TimesFor more information, see <http://researchfund.axa.com/en/research-funding/calls-projects/>
- **Department of Health including NIHR, Health Services Research Programme.** Deadline: 31 July 2009. The programme supports research aimed at to advancing and improving health policy, health systems, and health care delivery. Researchers are invited to submit expressions of interest for primary research or evidence synthesis that fall within the programme's remit. For more information see <http://www.nihr.ac.uk/proposals/Lists/NIHR%20Calls%20for%20Proposals/DispForm.aspx?ID=50&Source=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.nihr.ac.uk%2Fproposal%2FPages%2Fdefault.aspx>

Thursday 28 May

- **BBSRC, New Investigator Awards and Responsive Grants (up to £2 million).** **Deadline: 8 July and 14 October 2009.**

The Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council invites applications for its New Investigator Scheme. This assists early-career researchers, ie newly employed university lecturers, fellows and researchers in institutes of BBSRC at band 5 or above (and their equivalents in Medical Research Council and Natural Environment Research Council institutes), to secure their first major element of funding for research. Proposals must be costed at the basis of full economic costs.

http://www.bbsrc.ac.uk/funding/grants/new_investigator.html

BBSRC also invites applications for its responsive grants. The committees' respective remits are: animal systems, health and wellbeing; plants, microbes, food and sustainability; technological and methodological development; molecules, cells and industrial biotechnology.

<http://www.bbsrc.ac.uk/funding/apply/deadlines.html>

- **Passold Research Fund, Grants for themed workshops. Deadline: 15 July 2009.**

The fund offers up to £1,500 for workshops focusing on any area of *textile history*. <http://www.pasold.co.uk/grantsThemed.html>

- **Wellcome Trust, Engaging Science: Art Awards (small to medium sized projects) and People Awards. Deadline: 17 July 2009.**

The Art Awards aim to: stimulate interest and debate about biomedical science through the arts; examine the social, cultural and ethical impact of biomedical science; support formal and informal learning; encourage new ways of thinking; encourage interdisciplinary practice and collaborative partnerships in arts, science or education practice. Funding of up to £30,000 is available. Please visit <http://www.wellcome.ac.uk/Funding/Public-engagement/Grants/Arts-Awards/>

People Awards scheme aim to fund projects worth up to £30,000 each and have a maximum duration of three years. Eligible activities include: workshops, talks, discussions and exhibitions in public venues; deliberative or opinion gathering projects. See <http://www.wellcome.ac.uk/Funding/Public-engagement/Grants/People-Awards/>

Thursday 21 May

- **ESRC/MRC, 2012 Birth Cohort Study Leadership Team. Deadline: non-mandatory expressions of interest 22 May; applications 4pm, 30 June 2009.**

The Economic and Social Research Council and the Medical Research Council are pleased to invite tenders for the Leadership team for the 2012 Birth Cohort Study. The new cohort study is intended to support innovative research spanning the interface between the biomedical and social sciences. A total of £28 million (at 100 per cent full economic costs) is available to set up the new cohort study. This will cover the leadership team costs and a minimum of two waves of data collection, and associated costs.

http://www.esrcsocietytoday.ac.uk/ESRCInfoCentre/opportunities/current_funding_opportunities/birthcohort2012.aspx

- **ESRC, Collaborative Analysis of Micro Data Resources: Brazil-India Research Projects. Deadline: 30 June 2009.**

The Economic and Social Research Council invites applications under the Initiative on Collaborative Analysis of Micro Data Resources: Brazil-India Research Projects (termed as Pathfinder Research Projects in the rest of the text). The projects are aimed at building and strengthening research networks joining social scientists in Brazil and India with UK counterparts by fostering research collaboration and knowledge around the secondary analysis of existing microdata resources. The limit for bilateral projects may reach up to £100,000. For trilateral projects, the maximum grant is worth £200,000.

http://www.esrcsocietytoday.ac.uk/ESRCInfoCentre/opportunities/current_funding_opportunities/Pathfinder.aspx?ComponentId=31376&SourcePageId=5964#0

- **International Information Science Foundation (JP), Visiting Researchers Support Programme. Deadline: 30 June 2009.**

Applicants will be considered whose research field falls under the general heading of information or computer science, including computer graphics; computer network; computing system; computing theory; databases; intelligent system; robotics; and software and software science.

<http://www.iisf.or.jp/subsidize-en.html>

- **BUPA Foundation, Care award for excellence in the development of care for older people. Deadline: 1 July 2009.**

BUPA seeks submissions that demonstrate new ideas and approaches that improve the experience of older people and those who care for them. Each award is worth £15,000. Funding of £5,000 is paid direct to the individual or team members and £10,000 will be used to further the award winner's study in the field of medical research. The award is not open to students.

<http://www.bupafoundation.co.uk/asp/awards/eligibility.asp>

Thursday 14 May

- **British Educational Research Association, Sage research into practice award.** **Deadline: 30 June 2009.**

The British Educational Research Association invites nominations for its Sage research into practice award. SAGE will make two awards of £500 each and provide a selection of books for the two best accounts of putting research into practice. One award will be for research-based practice in 16+ settings and one will be for schools, early years and social care or health settings, which employ research-based practice. The awards are open to anyone in the UK who has used research to develop practice within the past three years, and working in any sector of education from nursery to higher education.

<http://www.bera.ac.uk/blog/category/development/awards/>

- **NERC, Partnership Research Grants.** **Deadline: 1 July and 1 December annually.**

The Natural Environment Research Council invites applications for its partnership research grants. The scheme supports collaborative research activities between academic researchers and partners in public or private sector organisations. The research must fall within the NERC science remit. The scheme is open to applicants based at UK higher education institutions, NERC research and collaborative centres or other NERC recognised research organisations. Project partners may be: •private sector companies (non-UK companies must be able to demonstrate a significant manufacturing and research base in the UK); •public sector organisations including local, regional and national authorities, regulators, non-departmental public bodies, non-governmental organisations and charities. Grants amount to a minimum of £25,000 for directly incurred costs and usually last for up to three years. NERC will pay the standard proportion of 80 per cent of full economic costing. The total project partner contribution must be a minimum of 25 per cent of the total full economic cost of the project.

<http://www.nerc.ac.uk/using/schemes/partnershipgrants.asp>

- **Wellcome Trust, Medical history funding programme.** **Deadline: preliminary applications 1 July; invited full applications 1 September 2009.**

The purpose of the scheme is: •to provide funding for high quality projects to catalogue and preserve significant history of medicine collections with the aim of making such collections available to medical historians and researchers; •to support, where applicable, projects based around the production of digital surrogates to improve access and reduce handling of fragile material.

Libraries, archives and repositories in all sectors are eligible to apply. The scheme is open to any type of institution in the UK or RoI, but not to individuals. Collaborative programmes or projects, which may be part-funded by other agencies or sources, will all be considered. Most grants awarded are expected to range between £10,000 and £100,000 to fund projects of one to three years' duration. The annual budget allocated to the scheme is £600,000. Grants may be used to employ fixed-term contract staff in accordance with current legislation and purchase necessary material, equipment and outsourcing. <http://www.wellcome.ac.uk/Funding/Medical->

Thursday 7 May

- **Wellcome Trust, Biomedical Ethics Research Fellowships.** **Deadline: preliminary applications 20 June; invited full applications 1 August 2009.** The Wellcome Trust invites applications for its biomedical ethics research fellowships. These support scholars not yet in tenured or otherwise long-term established academic posts wishing to undertake a period of postdoctoral research. Fellowships may include an opportunity to obtain research training, where appropriate. Applicants must be based in the UK or RoI. Strong preference will be given to candidates with a good prospect of achieving a long-term academic career as a specialist in any area related to biomedical ethics. The application must be sponsored by an established senior member of the department in which the award is to be held. Fellowships last for up to three years and include a salary and essential research expenses, such as travel and fieldwork costs. <http://www.wellcome.ac.uk/Funding/Medical-humanities/Grants/Biomedical-ethics/Fellowships-and-personal-awards/WTD003884.htm>
- **Wellcome Trust, History of medicine public engagement grants.** **Deadline: preliminary applications 20 June; invited full applications 1 August 2009.** The Wellcome Trust invites applications for its history of medicine public engagement awards. This scheme enables the history of medicine to reach wider audiences such as schools, the public and the media. Awards support projects which:
 - provide greater contributions to general history coverage and the promotion of history of medicine;
 - promote historical research and informed dialogue between researchers, policy makers and the wider public with the aim of raising awareness and understanding of biomedical science.Proposals may involve a wide range of approaches, such as television, radio, exhibitions, theatre, websites, educational resources, lecture and debate series. The trust particularly encourages projects involving links between historians of medicine and biomedical scientists/clinicians that stimulate an informed debate around current health and research issues. The scheme is open to charitable and other not-for-profit organisations, commercial companies, as well as to academics, clinicians, science writers and other eligible individuals. Funding will normally exceed £30,000 per award. The proposed activity must take place in the UK or RoI. <http://www.wellcome.ac.uk/Funding/Medical-humanities/Grants/History-of-medicine/Public-engagement/WTD003791.htm>
- **EPSRC, Software Sustainability.** **Deadline: 23 June 2009.** The Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council invites proposals to provide a research infrastructure which will aid the long term sustainability of software which enables high quality research. The objective of this call is to ensure the provision of a research infrastructure which will support software which enables high quality research. This aim could be fulfilled through the delivery of a range of services, including:
 - the development of software to an acceptable quality for wider deployment, through the application of additional software engineering to prototype software delivered by UK research projects;
 - the maintenance of software which enables high quality research, through the management of a repository for selected software;
 - community outreach and promotion to ensure effective uptake of the services that the infrastructure will provide;
 - engagement with the international community, for e.g. through the dissemination of e-research software, establishing best

practice and standards, providing internationally recognised codes. The infrastructure should support software which will deliver high quality research outputs and this can be in any research field. Projects which will provide support to a range of research communities are encouraged. Applications are not limited to a single institution. Joint proposals that can show a clear added value of working together are welcomed.

<http://www.epsrc.ac.uk/CallsForProposals/SoftwareSustainability.htm>

- **International Olympics Committee: Researcher's Grant Programme.**

Deadline: 30 September 2009

Current postgraduate and early career researchers (defined as those having completed their PhD or equivalent in the last five years and presently hold an academic appointment) are invited to apply for research expenses of up to 10,000 Swiss Francs (15,000 Swiss Francs for collaborative proposals) to undertake research with a humanities or social sciences perspective on the Olympic phenomena. The main fields of research include: The Olympic Movement's Contribution to Society: Challenges and Opportunities; Young People and their Relationship with Sport and Olympism (Interest, Participation and Engagement); The Various Aspects of the Legacy of the Olympic Games. How can an Olympic City Remain "Olympic"?; Career Changes for Elite Athletes: from Conscious to Practical Realisation; Multimedia and Sport: Future Issues. The awards are intended to promote consultation of the IOC's written and audiovisual patrimony and encourage exchanges of information and networking of young researchers from different disciplines and countries. See http://www.olympic.org/uk/passion/studies/full_story_uk.asp?id=2993..

Thursday 30 April

- **Department of Health including NIHR, Public Health Research Programme.** **Deadline: 3 June 2009.**

The Department of Health's National Institute for Health Research has issued a call for outline proposals under its public health research programme. The scheme evaluates public health interventions, providing new knowledge on the benefits, costs, acceptability and wider impacts of non-NHS interventions intended to improve the health of the public and reduce inequalities in health. The scope of the programme is multidisciplinary and broad, covering a range of interventions that improve public health.

<http://www.phr.ac.uk/Fundingopportunities/index.htm>

- **The American Society for Information Science and Technology, Thomson Reuters Citation Analysis Research Grant.** **Deadline: 15 June 2009.**

The Society invites applications for the Thomson Reuters citation analysis research grant. The purpose is to support research based on citation analysis. Candidates from all nationalities are eligible to apply. The grant consists of an award of \$3,000, \$500 towards travel expenses, contingent upon the recipient's attending the ASIS&T annual meeting, and \$250 to ASIS&T headquarters towards administrative fees.

<http://www.asis.org/awards/citationaward.html>

- **Royal Society, International Joint Projects: France and India.** **Deadline: 17 June and 17 December 2009.**

The Royal Society invites applications for its international joint projects for research with India and France. The programme is designed to enable international collaboration by providing a mobility grant for researchers to cover travel, subsistence and research expenses. The collaboration should focus on a single project including two teams or individuals: one based in the

UK and the other based abroad. All sciences covered by the society are eligible. Joint projects are intended for UK and overseas scientists of proven research ability. Project leaders must be of at least postdoctoral status or equivalent. The UK scientist must submit all applications. Applications received directly from overseas scientists will not be accepted. Grants provide a maximum of £6,000 per annum for duration of two years.

<http://royalsociety.org/funding.asp?id=2344>

Thursday 23 April

- **North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO), Advanced Networking Workshops.** **Deadline: 1 June and 1 November annually.**
NATO invites applications for grants to hold advanced networking workshops in Nato partner countries. The following types of activity are funded: •training networks are aimed at facilitating the transfer of knowledge and the exchange of experiences between qualified network managers coming from different environments and backgrounds; •policy workshops are aimed at increasing the level of harmony among the various network policies at national and international levels and at facilitating coordination in the planning and development of research networks; •expert meetings aimed at bringing together experts in a field to optimize the use of electronic communication in that field. Workshops are normally of two to five days' duration, involving between 20 and 50 participants. They should be conducted by a co-director from a Nato country and a co-director from a partner country.
http://www.nato.int/science/nato_funded_activities/grant_mechanisms/anw-nfa.htm
- **L'Oréal-UNESCO for women in science international fellowship (UK applicants).** **Deadline: applications must be submitted through the UK National Commission for UNESCO by 1 June 2009.**
UNESCO for women in science international fellowships. Women originating from the UK involved in the life sciences are eligible to apply. Fifteen fellowships worth up to \$40,000 for up to two years are available, to undertake a research project which has been accepted by a reputable institution outside the applicant's home country. Candidates must already be engaging in pursuing research at the doctoral or postdoctoral level in one of the life sciences fields or an allied field, including biology, biochemistry, biotechnology, agriculture, medicine, pharmacy and physiology. Priority will be given to candidates already possessing at the time of application a PhD degree (or equivalent) in the life sciences, though doctoral students may also apply. Candidates must be no more than 35 years old.
http://www.unesco.org.uk/FWIS_International.htm
- **Experimental Psychology Society (UK), Research Workshops.** **Deadline: 1 March, 1 June, 1 September and 1 December every year.**
The Experimental Psychology Society invites applications for its research workshops grants. These grants support workshops in experimental psychology. The society will give preference to workshops: that could not be included in the format of regular EPS meetings and have not previously received an EPS grant; for which EPS can be recognised as a major supporter; which are open to all EPS members and postgraduate students of experimental psychology. Up to £3,500 per grant is available to contribute towards travel and maintenance of workshop participants, and other basic costs, such as printing. Applicants should be society members.
<http://www.eps.ac.uk/index.php/grants-for-eps-research-workshops>

- **NERC, Follow-on Fund.** **Deadline: 4pm, 3 June and 30 September 2009.**
The Natural Environment Research Council invites proposals for projects supported by the research council follow-on fund. The fund aims to increase the level and accelerate the rate of commercialisation of ideas arising from the NERC community. The scheme supports further scientific or technical development and other activities essential to securing commercial opportunities such as licensing, seed or venture finance. Applications for follow-on grants must fall within the remit of NERC and will draw substantially on the outputs of the council's recent research funding. Individual grants will be typically in the range of £80,000 to £100,000 (awarded at 80 per cent of full economic cost value) over a period of up to 12 months. The fund is open to academics in UK universities and research council institutes to take forward ideas generated by funding from NERC.
<http://www.nerc.ac.uk/using/schemes/followonfund.asp>

Thursday 16 April

- **Foundation for Canadian Studies in the UK, Canada/UK university partnerships programme grants.** **Deadline: 31 January, 31 May and 31 October annually.**
The Foundation for Canadian Studies in the UK invites applications for its Canada-UK university partnerships programme grants. The purpose is to facilitate collaboration between universities in the two countries so that both can: share their experiences in common fields of interest and endeavour; share complementary expertise and facilities; take advantage of similar democratic and university structures to combine their resources in addressing common problems and in facing the challenges of the 21st century. Awards will be made to British universities only, but may contribute both to the travel costs of British university representatives visiting Canada, and to the expenses of Canadian university representatives visiting Britain. Grants will normally be less than £1,000 and will be developmental rather than sustaining. Applications may be submitted to the foundation by either British universities directly or by Canadian universities through their British partner institution. <http://www.canadian-studies-uk.org/>
- **Royal Economic Society (UK), Conference Grant Scheme.** **Deadline: 31 January, 31 May and 30 September each year.**
The Royal Economic Society invites applications for its conference grants. These support members presenting a paper, or acting as a principal discussant at a conference. Preference will be given to: applicants who are new entrants to the profession; applications to attend at high-impact international conferences; candidates whose attendance cannot ordinarily be funded from other sources. Support of up to £500 is available per award.
http://www.res.org.uk/society/grants_fellowships.asp
- **Feminist Review Trust, Research Grants.** **Deadlines: 28 February; 31 May and 30 September annually.**
The trust will award up to £10,000 for research and study into the social, economic and legal position of women in society and for the dissemination of the results of such research and study. Research can be from any disciplinary perspective provided that it is intellectually rigorous and relevant to the aims of the trust. Research must intend to extend understanding about women's position in society. Awards may also support conferences and workshops, preparation of teaching materials or community or oral history projects. Applications are welcome from individuals of any nationality. The trust is unable to support MA, MSc or PhD students, except scholars from developing

economies in exceptional circumstances.

<http://www.feminist-review-trust.com/guidelines.htm>

- **School of Social Science at the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton, NJ (USA)– Fellowship Awards. Deadline: 1 June 2009.**
Each year, the School of Social Science at the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton, NJ, invites up to twenty scholars to be in residence for the full academic year to pursue their own research. The School welcomes applications in economics, political science, law, psychology, sociology and anthropology. It encourages social scientific work with an historical and humanistic bent and also entertains applications in history, philosophy, literary criticism, literature and linguistics. Applicants must have a Ph.D. at time of application. Each year there is a general thematic focus that provides common ground for roughly half the scholars; for 2010-2011 the focus will be Secularism. The application deadline is 1 November 2009. Applications must be submitted beginning 1 June through the Institute's online application system, which can be found, along with more information, at www.sss.ias.edu/applications

Thursday 9 April

- **BBSRC/RSE Enterprise Fellowships. Deadline: 19 May 2009.**
The Royal Society of Edinburgh and the Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council invite applications for enterprise fellowships with the objective of increasing exploitation of ideas with commercial potential from BBSRC supported research. The fellowships are designed to enable an individual to advance the commercialisation of existing research results or technological developments and will be tenable for a period of one year. The programme will include 40 per cent business learning modules within the participating business school which will be directly relevant to the commercialisation process. The remaining 60 per cent of the fellowship will be spent on developing the research from a commercial perspective. The scheme is open to academic and research staff, postdoctorals and postgraduates with relevant experience. Awards must be held within a UK higher education institute or similar academic institution, including BBSRC sponsored institutes. The fellow's salary will be within the scales for research staff in HEIs, grades 23-37 (currently in the range between £24,152 and £36,532). Travel, consumables and equipment costs of up to £6,000 will be reimbursed. http://www.royalsoced.org.uk/research_fellowships/bbsrc.htm
- **ERA-NET SKEP (Scientific Knowledge for Environmental Protection, UK), Impacts of Converging Technologies for Environmental Regulation. Deadline: 22 May 2009.**
Projects should address:
 - environmental limits;
 - waste regulation;
 - environment and human health.Transnational consortia of at least three independent legal entities from at least three SKEP partner countries may apply. Partner countries include the UK, Sweden, Finland, Ireland, France, Italy, Austria, Belgium, Germany, the Netherlands and Norway. The budget for this call is 2.13 million euros and funding is available for one to three years. <http://www.skep-era.net/site/194.asp>
- **ESRC Follow-on Funding Scheme. Deadline: 28 May 2009.**
The scheme provides funding to undertake additional knowledge transfer and impact generation activities that can demonstrate the potential for significant

economic, social, policy or practice benefits. Applicants that seek to commercialise research and those from resources and methods research investments will also be eligible for support. Knowledge transfer and impact generation activities might include:

- jointly planned and delivered projects with user partner showing wider benefits; interpretation and application of data for defined purposes;
- conferences and seminars for a policy/practice audience; practitioner-relevant publications;
- co-funded placement fellowships.

Awards of up to £100,000 (at 80 per cent of full economic costs) will be made for a maximum of 12 months. Eligible costs may include: a research assistant's salary; travel and subsistence; equipment; costs for a conference organiser and specialist staff (eg a science writer). The fund is open to all social science researchers employed in UK research organisations approved by the ESRC.

http://www.esrcsocietytoday.ac.uk/ESRCInfoCentre/opportunities/current_funding_opportunities/FoF.aspx?ComponentId=27622&SourcePageId=5964#0

Thursday 2 April

- **AHRC/EPSRC Science and Heritage Programme, Call for Proposals.**

Deadline: 14 May 2009.

The Arts and Humanities Research Council (AHRC) and the Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC) are taking forward a joint £8.1m programme entitled Science and Heritage to support leading-edge research which will explore new ways to understand the cultural and physical nature of heritage and to prepare society for the challenges that cultural heritage will face in the 21st Century. As part of this Science and Heritage programme, AHRC and EPSRC are making funding available to support creative, cross-disciplinary research activities through Interdisciplinary Research Grants. Funding is available for between five and eight Interdisciplinary Research Grant projects (depending on value and quality), each at a maximum full economic cost of £800,000, and with a duration between 1 and 3 years. Proposals for 3 year grants may propose a maximum of three studentships in association with the project.

<http://www.epsrc.ac.uk/CallsForProposals/ScienceAndHeritage.htm>

- **AHRC Knowledge Transfer Fellowships. Deadline: 14 May 2009.**

The Arts and Humanities Research Council invites proposals for its knowledge transfer fellowship scheme. The scheme supports a well-defined programme of KT activity founded upon existing, completed arts and humanities research. The award enables individual researchers working either on their own or as part of an academic team, to collaborate with, and bring benefits to, other organisations beyond academia or the audiences that they serve or represent. The knowledge exchange should enable the full potential of the research to be realised so that it can make a difference, in social, cultural or economic terms, to the partner organisations and for the audiences that they represent. The non-academic partner must be UK-based and can be a commercial business, a not-for-profit, charitable body or public or governmental body. Awards will last between four and 36 months and provide between £5,000 and £1 million on a full economic cost basis. Eligible costs include academic staff, travel and subsistence, equipment and other expenses. Please visit

<http://www.ahrc.ac.uk/FundingOpportunities/Pages/KTFellowshipScheme.aspx>

- **European Central Bank (DE), Wim Duisenberg Research Fellowships.**

Deadline: 15 May 2009.

The aims of the programme are: •to promote policy-relevant research that meets the highest academic standards; •to offer research staff at the ECB the opportunity to gain exposure to and experience in the most recent advances in economic research; •to give prominent scholars the opportunity to gain an insight into the policy-making environment of the ECB. Applicants should be senior professionals in academia, central banks and research institutions who hold a PhD and who wish to take a period of leave or a sabbatical from their workplace. Successful candidates will be offered a short-term assignment ranging from three to 11 months to conduct research on issues of relevance to the ECB in the Directorate General Research in Frankfurt am Main, Germany. A monthly stipend will be paid according to the candidate's experience. Please visit <http://tinyurl.com/bbmngf>