

## Go8 European Fellowships

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The Group of Eight offers eight annual fellowships to early career researchers in Europe to work in Go8 universities for up to six months. Each Fellowship is worth AUD 20,000.

The Fellowships are open to eligible researchers in Latvia, Estonia, Lithuania, Poland, Hungary, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Romania, Bulgaria and Croatia.

The Go8 European Fellowship scheme recognises the importance of international contacts for early career researchers. It is envisaged that Fellows will continue to collaborate with Australian research partners when they return to their home institutions.

“The Go8 European Fellowships recognise the importance of international contacts for early career researchers and aim to help establish those contacts in Australia for talented young researchers from emerging European economies,” said Go8 Chair, Professor Alan Robson.

“The scheme has been running for four years and has resulted in the exchange of skills and knowledge of benefit to the individual researchers and to the citizens of Australia and the European countries involved.”

“This fellowship was a life changing experience for me. I am sure that the knowledge accumulated here will have a great impact not only in my academic career but also in the education of Romanian students at the University of Medicine and Pharmacy where I teach.” Dr Magda Cuciureanu, Go8 European Fellow 2010 (The University of Adelaide)

“All the professional contacts I made at The University of Queensland are invaluable and I have offered to host UQ academics at my home university.” Dr Martina Horakova, Go8 European Fellow, 2008

“The Fellowship gave me a great opportunity to further develop the ongoing co-operation with The University of Sydney, as well as to upgrade my research skills.” Dr Iva Strnadova, Go8 European Fellow, 2008

“I was involved in a great scientific project. I never would have this opportunity in Poland (or even in Europe).” Dr Klaudia Borowiak, Go8 European Fellow 2009 (The University of Melbourne)

“ANU provided me with superb research opportunities. I still have an ongoing project with a PhD candidate at ANU.” Dr Zoltan Petres, Go8 European Fellow, 2008

“The experience actually exceeded my expectations. I did more than I could dream, all thanks to the very open and very friendly approach of Australian researchers.” Dr Katarzyna Zawalinska, Go8 European Fellow, 2009 (Monash University)

“The alumni of this important Go8 scheme establish life-long professional and personal connections and continue to collaborate with Australian research partners when they return to their home institutions,” Professor Robson concluded.

Applications close on 22 October 2010.

Detailed information for applicants is available at

<http://www.go8.edu.au/university-staff/programs-a-fellowships/63-go8-european-fellowships>