



IRISH RESEARCH COUNCIL
An Chomhairle um Thaighde in Éirinn

Funding Opportunities for Early Stage Researchers

Welcome
Céad Míle Fáilte

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Why Ireland?



Talent



Favourable demographics and a quality education system ensures a plentiful supply of highly qualified people with excellent technical, language and customer services capabilities.



49.19%
of population under
35 years old

36.32% Germany
39.19% Spain
41.52% Netherlands
42.95% France
44% UK
49.19% Ireland



Dublin, Ireland is ranked as the
best city in the world for human capital



1st for people's flexibility and
adaptability of workforce



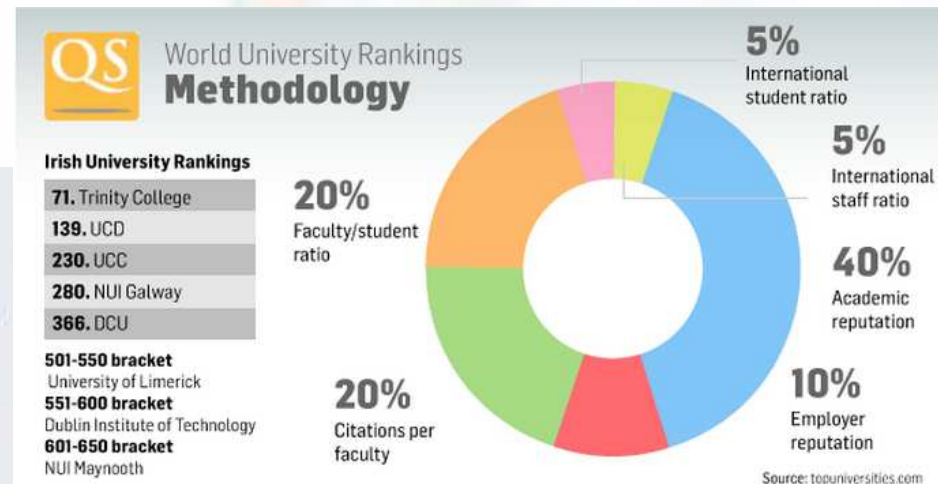
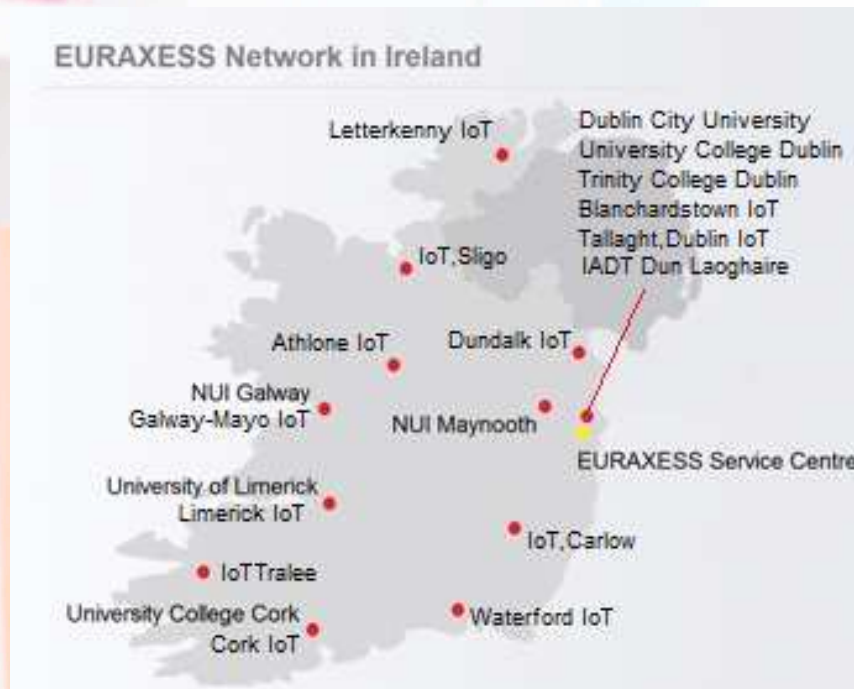
1st in Europe for completion
of third level education



1st for the availability
of skilled people.

Research Landscape

- 7 Universities
- 14 IoTs



Funding Agencies:

Irish Research Council www.research.ie

Higher Education Authority www.hea.ie

Science Foundation Ireland www.sfi.ie

Health Research Board www.hrb.ie

Enterprise Ireland <http://www.enterprise-ireland.com/en/>



People



Ideas



Policy Advisory Role

Individual Researchers

Early stage career development

Exploratory research

All disciplines/interdisciplinary

Transferable skills

Excellence



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| Postgraduate Scholarships | Government of Ireland (incl Strategic Partners) |
| | Enterprise Partnership Scheme |
| | Employment Based Programme |
| Postdoctoral Fellowships | Government of Ireland |
| | Enterprise Partnership Scheme |
| | Elevate Marie Curie International Mobility Fellowship (funding ends 2017) |
| Research Project Grants | Starter Grants Advanced Grants Interdisciplinary Grants |
| Knowledge Exchange & Travel Grants | Ulysses |
| | New Foundations |

Enterprise Funding Support

1. Employment Based Programme (EBP)
2. Enterprise Partnership Scheme (EPS)

Research Performing
Organisation

Researcher

Industry Partner



Enterprise Funding Support



Postgraduate Scholar receives €24,000 (EBP & EPS)

- Total award per year includes: stipend €16,000 pa; fees to max €5,750 pa; research expenses to max. €2,250 pa.
- Irish Research Council: 66% of Award
- Enterprise: 33% of Award (up to max €8,000 pa)




Postdoctoral Fellow receives €45,895 (EPS only)

- Total award includes: salary of €31,275 pa; PRSI €3,365; Pension €6,255 pa; research expenses to max €5,000 pa.
- Irish Research Council: 66% of Award
- Enterprise: 33% of Award (up to max €15,000 pa)



Government of Ireland (GOI) Postdoctoral Fellowship Scheme


- ✿ Intended to support early career researchers
 - ✿ 1- or 2-year Fellowships available
 - ✿ Full-time Fellowships held at a recognised Irish HEI or RPO
 - ✿ Value of Award (Salary €31,275; PRSI €3,365 & 20% pension of €6,255, if applicable)
 - ✿ Eligible direct research expenses <€5,000pa
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Eligibility for GOI & EPS Fellowships

- ✿ applicant must have either graduated or had viva/thesis defence within the five-year period between 28th Feb 2010 - 28th Feb 2015
- ✿ have authored or co-authored at least 1 published peer-reviewed research publication or equivalent IP output or samples of written work


Must not:

- ✿ hold/have held a GOI or EPS Postdoctoral Fellowship before
- ✿ have been a Postdoc for >5yrs
- ✿ be a permanent member of staff at a HEI or RPO



Preparing an Application

Read the T&Cs and Guide for Applicants

- ✿ Start with looking at the Evaluation Criteria
 - ✿ Talk to Irish Academic Mentor/International Academic Mentor/Enterprise Partner/Two Referees
 - ✿ Keep prose simple, declarative and precise in all sections
 - ✿ Is your research original/innovative?
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General Assessor Comments...

- ✿ Awareness of ethical considerations
- ✿ Feasibility
- ✿ Need for clear methodological approaches
- ✿ Relevant skills – e.g. languages; lab training, archiving
- ✿ Choice of Mentors & HEI
- ✿ Proofread your completed application

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Moving to Ireland: Practical Information

Pursuing a career in research is tough work - especially when you move country - but balancing this with family responsibilities can be even more challenging! In this section, the EURAXESS Ireland portal will guide you through **moving to**, **working**, and **living** in Ireland.

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