



HERA

Humanities in the European Research Area

New HERA Funding Opportunity

IRCHSS, 18 European research councils and the European Commission through HERA (Humanities in the European Research Area), have launched a new €18m research funding opportunity for humanities researchers. This new Joint Research Programme in **Cultural Encounters** invites transnational consortia to submit proposals into the causes, conditions and consequences of cultural encounters. The research programme will fund new and exciting *Humanities-centred projects* on cultural encounters involving researchers from **three or more HERA JRP countries**. The total value of a collaborative research project proposal can be up to €1 Million and 36 months duration.

Participating Countries

Eligible scholars are senior and early-career researchers based in the following participating countries: Austria, Belgium, Croatia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovenia, Sweden, and United Kingdom.

Application Process and Deadlines

Outline proposals must be submitted electronically via the HERA website by **13.00 GMT, 4th May 2012**. Shortlisted applicants will be required to submit Full Proposals in October 2012

Full details on the application process, eligibility, definition of Cultural Encounters are available at <http://www.heranet.info>

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National eligibility queries

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National Information Session

IRCHSS will hold an information session in March in Dublin (location and venue will be confirmed in due course). If you would like to attend please complete the registration form available to download from the IRCHSS website and send to mobrien@irchss.ie