

The Grants Online website has been updated with the following information:

Erasmus Mundus 2009-2013 (UK)

The European Commission has announced a call for proposals under its Erasmus Mundus programme. Erasmus Mundus is a co-operation and mobility scheme in the area of higher education. The aim of this call for proposals is to facilitate the setting up of postgraduate programmes of outstanding academic quality, jointly developed by consortia of European and, where relevant, Third-Country Universities and that could contribute to the increased visibility and attractiveness of the European Higher Education sector. For each of the selected proposals, a five year Framework Partnership Agreements (FPA) will be issued in the summer of 2009. These FPA's will give rise to the award of annual Specific Grant Agreements starting from the academic year 2010/2011 which will include on the one hand a financial support to the consortia implementing the joint programmes and on the other a yearly defined number of individual scholarships for European and Third-Country students, doctoral candidates and scholars. The application deadline is the 30th April 2009....

http://ec.europa.eu/education/external-relation-programmes/doc72_en.htm

Funding to Promote Cooperation within the International Film Industry (UK)

The European Commission has announced a call for proposals to support projects the Preparatory Action MEDIA International programme to to examine and test cooperation activities between European film professionals and professionals of third countries. A total of 4.96 million will be available to organisations within the EU and third countries for activities that; support training projects aimed at students/professionals/trainers from the audiovisual industry; that facilitate access to international markets for cinematographic/audiovisual works; that facilitate and improve the distribution of cinematographic works of third countries in cinemas in the EU and, vice versa; encourage cinema operators in the EU and in third countries to increase, on a reciprocal basis, the scheduling and showing of exclusive first releases of films; and actions to educate and raise the awareness of the European public about cinematographic/audiovisual works of third countries and, vice versa. The deadline for applications is the 2nd June 2009....

http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/media/prep_action/index_en.htm

Architectural Heritage Fund (UK)

The Architectural Heritage Fund (AHF), which is a registered charity that promotes the conservation and regeneration of historic buildings in the UK. Funding is available to voluntary organisations building preservation trusts to regenerate historic buildings to create community and education facilities, workspace and homes. To be eligible to apply for funding through the AHF, organisations need to be a registered charity and the building(s) must be listed, scheduled as an ancient monument or in a Conservation Area

(if in a Conservation Area, it must be of acknowledged historic or architectural importance). The project must also involve a change of ownership and/or a change of use. Previously funded projects include turning a run down historic buildings into community theatres, resource centres, community learning centres, workspaces, places to live and community meeting places, etc. The next closing date for applications is the 7th May 2009....

<http://www.ahfund.org.uk/index.html>

The East Midlands Transition Loan Fund for SMEs (East Midland)

The East Midlands Development Agency (EMDA) has announced a new £5m fund, the East Midlands Transition Loan Fund (TLF), available to small and medium sized (SME) businesses that have been trading for at least six months and have good management and viable business plans. The Transition Loan Fund will provide a short-term and immediate financial solution for businesses struggling to access the finance they need for working capital and investment. The TLF will provide loans of between £50k and £250k for up to three years....

<http://www.emda.org.uk/news/newsreturn.asp?fileno=3532>

(PACT) Promoting A Culture of Trust Programme (Northern Ireland)

The Integrated Education Fund (IEF) is now open to application through the Promoting A Culture of Trust (PACT) Programme. The aim of the programme is to fund projects in schools to promote the development of skills, structures and relationships that enable schools, pupils and their parents, staff and governors and the wider community to increase their understanding, acceptance and respect for political, cultural and religious differences. PACT Projects must involve two or more schools and these partnerships must represent at least two of the main traditions in Northern Ireland. PACT grants are available on three different levels, this allows schools to apply for grants at a level of funding and duration which meets their individual needs. Through Levels I, II and III grants of up to £5,000, £10,000 and £25,000 are available for 1, 2 and 3 year projects respectively. The deadline for applications is the 24 April 2009....

http://www.ief.org.uk/sections/default.asp?cms=Grants_PACT+X+Spring+2009&cmsid=26_171&id=171&secid=13

The LankellyChase Foundation (UK)

The Lankelly Chase Foundation has announced that it will publish new grant making guidelines in March 2009. Under the previous guidelines the Foundation provided grants of up to £15,000 per year (for up to three years) for projects in the areas of the arts, heritage, breaking the cycle of abusive relationships, developing inclusive communities, mental health, reducing offending and supporting work with asylum seekers. In addition capital grants of up to £10,000 were available. The Foundation tends to focus its support on

smaller charities....

<http://www.lankellychase.org.uk/>

Interreg IVB North Sea Region Programme (UK)

The Interreg IVB North Sea Region Programme (2007 - 13) has announced that it will be launching a new call for proposals on the 2nd March 2009. The aim of the Programme is to financially support transnational projects and partnerships that enhance the overall quality of life for residents of the North Sea Region by ensuring that there is access to more and better jobs, by sustaining and enhancing the acknowledged environmental qualities of the region, by improving accessibility to places and ensuring that our communities are viable, vibrant and attractive places to live and work. Within eligible areas of the UK local, regional and national authorities, NGOs, research institutions, universities and private partners can apply for funding that increase innovation, enhances the quality of the environment; improves accessibility of places and delivers sustainable and competitive communities. The closing date for applications will be Monday the 30th March 2009....

<http://www.northsearegion.eu/ivb/news/show/&tid=277>

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