

Call for Researchers at Risk Fellowships

Identification information

Country:	UKRAINE
Programme:	Researchers at Risk Fellowship
Implementation period:	up to 31 December 2023

Basic definitions

Objectives:

In 2022, in reaction to Russia's invasion of Ukraine, the Czech Academy of Sciences (CAS) launched a special programme titled *Researchers at Risk Fellowship*. The programme call 2022 is focused on Ukrainian researchers whose scientific work is at risk due to persecution and war threats in their home country. The *Researchers at Risk Fellowship* will enable them to continue their research in a safe environment at the CAS institutes in the Czech Republic.

Target groups:

- Ph.D. students (students of a doctoral programme or its equivalent),
- Postdocs (less than eight years after receiving Ph.D.),
- Researchers (eight or more years after receiving a Ph.D.).

Eligibility criteria:

- The applicant must be a citizen of Ukraine and must not hold dual citizenship, which would allow access to a safe country of residence.
- The applicant must not have resided outside Ukraine for more than one year at the time the application is submitted.
- The applicant must have an education required for the position at the CAS institute.
- In the case of an existing employment between the applicant and the CAS institute at the time the application is submitted, the employment did not establish before 1 February 2022.

Research fields:

Applicants from **all fields of research** can apply.

Implementation period:

Fellowship can be implemented until **31 December 2023**.

Financial provisions

- Eligible costs are personal costs.
- The maximum financial contribution is CZK 60 000 for a workload representing full-time equivalent (for part-time employment, the cost must be adjusted accordingly).

- The applicant must be employed at the CAS institute for the entire period of the grant provision.
- A successful application shall be funded based on [the respective grant](#) that shall be provided to the CAS institute.

Application form submission

The application form is available on the CAS website in the International Affairs section under the following link in ENG: [Call for "Researchers at Risk Fellowship" Ukraine - Akademie věd České republiky \(avcr.cz\)](#) and in CZ: [Call for "Researchers at Risk Fellowship" Ukrajina - Akademie věd České republiky \(avcr.cz\)](#) or on [the AV CR Intranet](#).

The application form must be submitted by the director of the CAS institute, where the applicant shall be employed. The application is to be submitted electronically in both PDF and Word format (for administrative purposes) to the email address rihova@kav.cas.cz (Ms Markéta Říhová, the Division of International Cooperation, CAS Head Office). Proposals submitted differently may be rejected on formal grounds.

The application form includes:

- A description of the threat the applicant is facing in his/her home country.
- A description of the applicant's proposed research project/activities at the CAS institute.
- CV of the applicant, including previous publications and the most important research results achieved.
- Statutory declaration of the CAS institute declaring that:
 - the applicant is a citizen of Ukraine and does not hold dual citizenship, which would allow access to a safe country of residence,
 - the applicant has not resided outside Ukraine for more than one year at the time the application is submitted,
 - the applicant has an education required for the position at the CAS institute.

By submitting the project proposal, the applicant:

- agrees to the processing of personal data pursuant to the relevant Czech legislation,
- declares that the information he/she stated is accurate, true and complete and that he/she is aware that otherwise there may be legal consequences.

Evaluation procedure

This is an “open call” and the applications will be evaluated on an ongoing basis.

Basic criteria for evaluation are:

- threat the applicant is facing in his/her home country,
- quality of the research project/activities proposal,
- applicant's professional experience,
- declaration of the CAS institute.

The Call is open till 30 September 2022. The CAS reserves the right to terminate the programme at any time during the year with regard to its financial capabilities.

Schedule

10 March 2022	Announcement of the Call
30 September 2022	Deadline for submission of applications

Contact person

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