

## Calls in 2016 – Indicative Schedule

Programme Name	Description	Anticipated Launch if 2016	Anticipated Outcome
<b>Early stage career researcher supports</b>			
Government of Ireland Postgraduate Scholarship Scheme (2016), including Strategic Partner Themes	Offers the opportunity for suitably qualified excellent individuals, with novel research ideas, to take a first step in research and to attain the skills and competencies of a successful researcher. Applicants can apply for a postgraduate degree in any discipline at an eligible HEI within Ireland. A number of additional Scholarships are also offered in collaboration with our strategic funding partners.	-	Q2 2016
Employment Based Postgraduate Programme (2016)	Offers opportunities for suitably qualified individuals to pursue a Postgraduate Degree in any discipline, at an eligible HEI within Ireland, and in parallel to being <u>employed</u> by an Employment Partner for the duration of their Masters/PhD. This co-educational initiative enables direct exposure and embedding of the individual in the workplace environment.	-	Q2 2016
Enterprise Partnership Scheme 2016 (Postgraduate Scholarships)	The Council, in partnership with private enterprises and public bodies, awards co-funded Postgraduate Scholarships. Students benefit from the opportunity to gain valuable experience and insight into the enterprise/commercial arena while completing their Scholarship.	Q1 2016	Q3 2016
NASA International Internships (I <sup>2</sup> ) Program (the Council in partnership with the NASA I <sup>2</sup> Program)	The Council is offering an exciting internship opportunity for undergraduate or postgraduate students to engage in scientific or engineering research and development activities. Interns benefit from unique NASA-related research and experience. Application requires nomination from the applicant's higher education institution.	Q1 2016	Q2 2016
Government of Ireland Postdoctoral Fellowship Scheme (2016)	Offers opportunity for excellent individuals, in all research disciplines, to begin their career as an independent researcher and to develop their novel ideas into excellent research projects. Fellows benefit from acquiring valuable new skills relevant to careers in academia and beyond the traditional academic sector.	-	Q2 2016

Enterprise Partnership Scheme 2016 (Postdoctoral Fellowships)	The Council, in partnership with private enterprises and public bodies, awards co-funded Postdoctoral Fellowships. Fellows have the opportunity to closely interact with, and gain valuable transferrable skills and insights from the enterprise/commercial arena while conducting excellent research informed by enterprise.	Q1 2016	Q3 2016
Government of Ireland Postgraduate Scholarship Scheme (2017), including Strategic Partner Themes  (Note change in timescales for 2017 Call)	Offers the opportunity for suitably qualified excellent individuals, with novel research ideas, to take a first step in research and to attain the skills and competencies of a successful researcher. Applicants can apply for a postgraduate degree in any discipline at an eligible HEI within Ireland. A number of additional Scholarships are also offered in collaboration with our strategic funding partners.	Q3 2016	Q1 2017
Employment Based Postgraduate Programme (2017)	Offers opportunities for suitably qualified individuals to pursue a Postgraduate Degree in any discipline, at an eligible HEI within Ireland, and in parallel to being <u>employed</u> by an Employment Partner for the duration of their Masters/PhD. This co-educational initiative enables direct exposure and embedding of the individual in the workplace environment.	TBC	TBC
Government of Ireland Postdoctoral Fellowship Scheme (2017)	The competitive Government of Ireland Postdoctoral Fellowship Scheme supports excellent individuals, in all research disciplines, to begin their career as an independent researcher and to develop their novel ideas into excellent research projects. Fellows benefit from acquiring valuable new skills relevant to careers in academia and beyond the traditional academic sector.	Q4 2016	Q2 2017
Lindau Nobel Laureate Meeting Award - 66 <sup>th</sup> meeting  - 67 <sup>th</sup> meeting (Patron: The President of Ireland)	The Irish Research Council, as the national strategic partner with the Lindau Nobel Laureate Meetings, conducts the national competition to select nominees (PhD or Postdoc) to the international selection process for attending this annual meeting of Nobel Laureates. A national award is given to those selected to attend.	-  Q4 2016	Q2 2016  Q2 2017
<b>Researcher Career Progression</b>			
Basic Research Excellence Award	The Council awards a "Basic Research Excellence Award" to applicants from the Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences domain, who achieve an 'A' rated outcome- but do not receive funding - in the European Research Council (ERC) competitive process. The ERC funds investigator-driven frontier research and the Basic Research Excellence Award	Rolling	Rolling

is contingent on a bona fide intention to reapply to the ERC in the next available call.			
Humanities in the European Research Area (HERA) <a href="http://Heranet.info">Heranet.info</a>	HERA is a partnership of 21 humanities funding councils across Europe, including the Irish Research Council. HERA funds collaborative research projects from international consortia of Humanities researchers. The Council supports applications from academic staff in higher education institutions and research performing organisations in Ireland.	-	Q1 2016
Call: <i>Uses of the Past</i>	IRC funds research costs of Irish partner(s) in successful consortia up to an agreed number of awards.		
New Opportunities for Research Funding Agency Cooperation in Europe (NORFACE) <a href="http://www.norface.net">www.norface.net</a>	The Irish Research Council is a member of NORFACE, a partnership between 14 social sciences research councils across Europe. Common research funding instruments are developed by partners thus creating opportunities for facilitating and building new networks of research collaboration in the social sciences.		
Calls: <i>Dynamics of Inequalities Across the Lifecourse</i>	IRC funds research costs of Irish partner(s) in successful consortia up to an agreed number of awards.	Q4 2015	Q2 2017
<i>Transformations to Sustainability</i>		Q4 2016	2018
European Coordinated Research on Long-term Challenges in Information and Communication Sciences & Technologies (CHIST-ERA) <a href="http://www.chistera.eu">www.chistera.eu</a>	CHIST-ERA is a coordination and co-operation initiative of national (and regional) research funding organisations mainly in Europe, including the Irish Research Council. The aim is to reinforce the transnational collaboration between the participating states in challenging multidisciplinary research in the area of ICST with the potential to lead to significant breakthroughs.		
Call topics:  User-Centric Security, Privacy and Trust in the Internet of Things	IRC funds research costs of Irish partner(s) in successful consortia up to an agreed number of awards.	-	Q3 2016

Terahertz Band for Next-Generation Mobile Communication Systems		Q3 2016	
Research for Policy and Society Programme (Note: contingent on partner funding)	In partnership with government departments and agencies, the Council will make awards for peer reviewed excellent research by experts in their field to support policy development and decisions in areas such as social progress and economic growth.	Q3 2016	Q4 2016
Frontiers Research Programme	The new Frontiers Research Programme will fund individual awards at all career stages and across all disciplines. (Scope and T&Cs of programme to be finalised)	Q4 2016	2017
<b>Knowledge Exchange &amp; Travel Grants</b>			
Ulysses	The Ulysses Programme provides funding for new research collaborations between Irish and French researchers. The programme facilitates the exchange of innovative ideas and approaches between Irish and French researchers and the development of mutual research projects involving young Irish researchers visiting France and reciprocal visits involving young French researchers to Ireland.	Q2 2016	Q4 2016

Note: the timelines as outlined above are anticipated timelines and the schedule is subject to change where necessary.