FENS and IBRO-PERC Support for Organising Courses in 2022

Dear colleague,

Similar to the previous years, FENS and IBRO-PERC* provide support to NENS schools that are scheduling in-person or online short courses or training in 2022.

In case your school intends or has already scheduled an in-person or online short course or training for 2022 that:

- is taught in English;
- is focused on a main topic that is directly related to neuroscience;
- has the duration of minimum 5 days for in-person courses or minimum 16 hours for online courses; and takes place in the period 1 February – 31 December 2022;
- provides a certificate of participation to the attendees at the end of the course;
- has an audience of master and/or PhD students;
- is accredited with ECTS points according to the Bologna guidelines.

You may consider to accept/reserve in your course 4 slots for the in-person courses, 8 slots for online courses for master or PhD students from abroad, supported by FENS and IBRO-PERC. This adds an international element to your course, which might be of interest to your national students.

For each of the accepted student to the course/training, FENS and IBRO-PERC will provide you with 750 EUR, intended to cover the organisational and administrative costs of the school.

In addition, each selected international student will be awarded with a FENS and IBRO-PERC grant of 750 EUR for his/her expenses related to travel and accommodation.

This implies that the four selected students will not pay a registration fee for the course, but accommodation and per diem they can pay for, due to the grant they receive.

Following the above-described scheme, FENS and IBRO-PERC will support 6 courses and 24 students for in-person courses (or a mixture of online and in-person courses, which correspond to the allocated amount for 6 in-person courses and 24 students).

Students Selection:

For each of the supported in-person or online courses in 2022, the FENS Committee for Higher Education and Training (CHET) will select up to 4 international students (for in-person courses) or 8 international students (for online courses), based on a preliminary pre-selection and recommendation of 6 to 8 students for in-person courses), respectively 14-16 students for online courses made by the organizers of the supported course.

In case the organizers of the selected courses organise their own call for applications among international students, the application form should include a mandatory field “I want to be considered for a FENS and IBRO-PERC stipend”, with “Yes” and “No” as options. In case the applicant selects ‘yes’, the applicant should be guided to the application form for the stipend in the FENS website. If the supported course will not organise a call for applications, a call for FENS and IBRO-PERC stipends for international students will be launched by NENS and 4 students will be selected, based on the preliminary selection and recommendation made by the course organisers.

Should you regard this cooperation proposal of interest, please submit your course proposal, using this link by 10th December 2021 at the latest.

*This initiative is jointly supported by the FENS Committee for Higher Education and Training (CHET) and IBRO-PERC. The IBRO-PERC support is to be confirmed within November 2021.

Best regards,

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