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News from Head of School**Lecturer/Senior Lecturer in Computer Engineering**

The advert for a new post in Computer Engineering is now out at:

<http://www.jobs.ac.uk/job/ACO270/lecturer-senior-lecturer/>

If you know any strong candidates, please bring the post to their attention.

Events**State Machines and User Interface Engineering****4 May 11**

Prof Giorgio Brajnik, Universita di Udine, ITALY

14:15, Lecture Theatre 1.4, Kilburn Building

[Seminars homepage](#)

ForMA: Formal and Resilient Methods in Aerospace**28 May 11**

Saturday 28 May 2011

Frank Adams room, Alan Turing Building, University of Manchester

A Tutorial Workshop - affiliated with IMCPS2011

Organised by CICADA

Co-Chairs: Dave Broomhead, Manuela Bujorianu, Helen Harper

For PhD students, as well the staff of Manchester University, the registration is free, but necessary (for catering arrangements). Contact [Helen Harper](#) for details.

[Registration information](#)

Pathways: Career Options for PhD Researchers and Research Staff**10, 13 & 15 June**

10, 13 & 15 June 2011, Renold Building

Now in its fifth year this [University wide event](#) is designed to help our PhDs and Research Staff (post-docs) make some potentially difficult life and career choices. All four Faculties and the Careers Service are collaborating to attract panellists who have completed their PhDs within the last 10 years and are now working in a wide range of careers to talk to our current PhDs and research staff, over 500 of whom attended last year.

How can you help?

1. Send us contact details of your former PhDs and Post-docs who you think we could contact and ask to return to Manchester [travel expenses paid] to participate in one of the panel sessions and share their career stories. It makes a real difference to our early career researchers to hear from people who have been in their position. Panel sessions run in 40 minute slots, throughout Day 1 (Friday, 10 June 2011) and panellists can come for all or part of the day.

2. Encourage the PhD researchers and research staff in your research group to attend the event. In addition to the Day 1 discussion panels, Day 2 (Monday, 13 June) will involve interactive workshops offering practice in interviews and assessment centres. Day 3 (Wednesday, 15 June) will be part of a larger Graduate Recruitment Fair [at GMex] with a

specific “PhD Zone” of PhD recruiters. There will also be specialist CV advice on the day.

3. Volunteer yourself for Day 1 or Day 2 (Monday, 13 June) to sit on a mock academic interview panels (1 – 1.5 hrs) to give opportunities for participants to practice their interview skills.

For more information [email Anna Lomas](#).

Funding Opportunities

Royal Society Research Grants

7 Jun 11

Aim: This scheme provides ‘seed corn’ funding for new projects initiated by research scientists at an early stage of their career (within the first 5 years). The objective of the scheme is to increase the availability of specialised equipment, consumable materials and services, and to support essential field research. The scheme also provides support for research in the history of science or to assist with publication of scholarly works in the history of science (subject category I), and we welcome any research proposal or publication in the area of Royal Society history.

Subjects covered: All areas of the life and physical sciences, including engineering, but excluding clinical medicine. Additionally, the scheme provides support for research in the history of science and we welcome any research proposal or publication in the area of Royal Society history.

Eligibility: Applicants must be resident in the UK. They should have postdoctoral level or equivalent status at the time of the application and have a permanent or a named limited-tenure position in an eligible organisation. An applicant who is a postdoctorate paid by a grant for which someone else is the principal investigator is not eligible. Applicants must play a major part and take a leading role in the project and not make its fulfilment more than marginally dependent on the services of postgraduate/doctoral students. For further information regarding eligibility, please refer to the 2011/R1 scheme notes, which will be available on the website when the round opens.

Length of tenure: The grant is for a period of 12 months

Place of tenure: UK University or not-for-profit research organisation (except for Research Council Institutes).

Value: For all subject categories, up to £15,000 (including VAT) is available for the purchase of specialised equipment, essential consumable materials and services. Up to £5,000 (including VAT) is available for the publication of scholarly works in the history of science. For further information regarding admissible costs, please refer to the 2011/R1 scheme notes, which will be available on the website when the round opens.

Opening date: 04 May 2011

Closing date: 07 June 2011

[Website](#)

Royal Society International Exchanges Scheme

30 Jun 11

Aim: This scheme is for scientists in the UK who want to undertake a collaboration with scientists overseas through either a one-off visit or bilateral travel.

Eligibility requirement: The scheme covers all areas of the life and physical sciences, including engineering, but excluding clinical medicine.

Both the UK applicant and overseas applicant must:

- have a PhD, or be likely to have a PhD by the time the funding starts
- hold a fixed or permanent contract at an eligible organisation for the duration of the project (ineligible organisations include industrial, private and commercial organisations, university spin-out companies, government bodies and research institutes and research councils)
- be based in the respective countries at the time of the application
- Collaborations should be based on a single project and travel can only take place between the UK and a country where the overseas collaborator is based. In the case of cost share applications (see below), a relationship between both parties should already be established prior to making an application.

The International Exchanges Scheme is available for travel to all countries outside of the UK. Applicants should ensure that they meet all the eligibility requirements, which are explained in the scheme notes (available on the website).

Value and tenure: The funding available is dependent upon the length of the visit. Applicants may request:

- up to of £3,000 for one-off travel lasting up to 3 months
- up to £6000 for multiple visits to be completed within 1 year (including a maximum of £1000 for research expenses)
- up to £12,000 for multiple visits to be completed within 2 years and cost share projects fixed at 2 years (including a maximum of £2000 for research expenses)

Cost-share programme: Depending on which country your collaboration is with proposals can be considered as a cost share application. This entails the UK applicant submitting a proposal to the Royal Society for up to £12,000 AND the overseas applicant simultaneously submitting a proposal for an additional amount up to/equivalent to £12,000 to a partner organisation, with whom the Royal Society has a funding agreement. For details of countries covered, application and eligibility requirements please read the cost share programme scheme notes (available on the website).

Closing date: 30 June 2011

[Website](#)