

ERCIM “Alain Bensoussan” Fellowship Programme 12-Month Postdoc Opportunities in CS & Applied Math Across Europe

The ERCIM postdoctoral Fellowship Programme has been established as one of the premier activities of ERCIM. The programme is open to young researchers from all over the world. It focuses on a broad range of fields in Computer Science and Applied Mathematics.

Why to apply for an ERCIM Fellowship?

The Fellowship Programme enables bright young scientists from all over the world to work on challenging problems as fellows of leading European research centers. Additionally, an ERCIM fellowship helps broaden and deepen the network of personal relationships and understanding among scientists. The programme offers ERCIM fellows the opportunity to:

- Work with internationally recognized experts,
- Improve their knowledge of European research structures and networks,
- Become familiar with working conditions in leading European research centres,
- Promote cross-fertilization and cooperation, through the fellowships, between research groups working in similar areas in different laboratories.

The fellowships are 12 months in duration (with a possible extension), and are spent at one of the ERCIM member institutes. Fellows can apply for a second year at different institute.

Where are the fellows hosted?

Only ERCIM members can host fellows. When an ERCIM member is a consortium the hosting institute might be any of the consortium’s members. When an ERCIM Member is a funding organisation, the hosting institute might be any of their affiliates. Fellowships are offered according to the needs of the member institutes and the available funding.

Fellows are appointed either by a stipend (an agreement for a research training programme) or a working contract. The type of contract and the monthly allowance/salary depends on the hosting institute.

ERCIM encourages both researchers from academic institutions and scientists working in industry to apply.

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The ERCIM fellowship has been a significant career breakthrough for me, exceeding all my expectations. It provided me with a deeper understanding of my research area and shaped my approach to thinking, analyzing, and acting. This fellowship offered me recognition and helped me establish international contacts. These experiences collectively enhance my competitiveness for future roles and open doors to new professional opportunities.



Swati YADAV
Former ERCIM Fellow



Equal Opportunities

ERCIM is committed to ensuring equal opportunities and promoting diversity. People seeking fellowship within the ERCIM consortium are not discriminated against based on race, color, religion, gender, national origin, age, marital status or disability.

Conditions

Candidates must:

- Have obtained a PhD degree during the last eight years (prior to the application year deadline) or be in the final year of their thesis work with an outstanding academic record. Before starting the grant, proof of the PhD degree will be requested;
- Be fluent in English.

Application deadlines

Deadlines for applications are currently 31 March and 30 September each year.



Since its inception in 1991, more than 750 fellows have participated in the program. In 2023, 19 young scientists began an ERCIM postdoctoral fellowship, and throughout the year, 63 fellows were hosted. The Fellowship Programme is named in honour of Alain Bensoussan, the former president of Inria, one of the three founding institutes of ERCIM.