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European Collaborative Research Projects (ECRP) 2010

The Research Council for Culture and Society of the Academy of Finland participates in the European Collaborative Research Projects (ECRP) 2010 programme, which is coordinated by the European Science Foundation (ESF).

Applications are invited from research projects representing all fields of the social sciences. Research themes have not been defined in advance. Research projects applying for funding shall include researchers from three European countries that are involved in the ECRP programme. The research project shall submit one joint research and funding plan. The ESF will do the review of the research grant applications; on the basis of these reviews the national funding agencies will then make the final funding decisions.

Research projects are granted funding for purposes of hiring scientific staff and other personnel, for costs arising from international cooperation, for the acquisition of equipment and supplies as well as for other direct and indirect research costs. Funding may also include funds for travel, for arranging researcher training courses, for seminars and language checking, for costs of an advisory group and for work on the team by a researcher returning from abroad. In addition, projects may be allocated grants for researcher training or research abroad or for work on the team by a foreign researcher for a maximum of one year. The Academy will provide funding to a maximum of 80% of the total costs of a project.

Funding for a maximum of twelve months may be granted for the salary of the principal investigator of a research project. The funding in question may be used for a senior scientist's salary, for work abroad, in connection with a Finnish researcher's return to Finland, transfer to a different research organisation or *for other justified reasons expressly connected with research*.

Funding can be applied for four years. The full cost model will be applied in funding decisions. More information can be found from the Academy webpages www.aka.fi >For researchers > Full cost model.

Application forms and guidelines are available on the ESF's website at www.esf.org/ecrp. Finnish applicants shall also submit an application to the Academy of Finland.

The deadline for submission of applications is **10 March 2010, 16:00 CET**. The ESF online application (Common Application Form) shall be submitted to the ESF, and the Academy of Finland application shall be submitted in the online services at www.aka.fi > For Researchers > Log in to Online services. Call: "European Collaborative Research Projects (ECRP) – yhteishankkeiden kansalliset osahankkeet".

For further information please refer to www.esf.org/ecrp and www.aka.fi

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