

## ICLAS VISITING GRANT FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN LABORATORY ANIMAL SCIENCE IN EUROPE – LETTER FOR POTENTIAL HOST INSTITUTIONS

Dear colleague,

The European Regional Committee of the International Council for Laboratory Animal Science (ICLAS) offers Visiting Grants in laboratory animal science (<a href="https://iclas.org/regional-fellowship-training-program/">https://iclas.org/regional-fellowship-training-program/</a>). The Grants are available to individuals belonging to European ICLAS member organisations and especially to applicants in European countries/areas in the process of developing modern standards of animal care.

The objective of the Grants is to enable recipients to acquire new knowledge and/or technical competences in the care and use of laboratory animals. This can be achieved in one of the host institutions proposed by ICLAS or in an institution proposed by the applicant.

ICLAS would like to invite you to become a recognised host institution of this programme. Your commitment would consist of hosting one of the grantees during a 2-3 weeks period and help him/her to reach his/her objectives.

Grants are awarded for people who want to develop animal care or research role in the field of LAS (e.g. technician, animal facility manager, animal welfare officer, veterinarian, animal user scientist).

Preference is given to individuals who otherwise would not have access to funding for international travel and experience in activities of this kind.

The grant will cover the costs of transportation, accommodation, meals, and incidental expenses (the grant will not cover tuition fees). The total of the grant shall not exceed  $2.000 \in$ .

The grantees are required to submit to ICLAS a short report on the visit within 4 weeks after their stay, that will be published in the ICLAS website if agreed by the grantee and the host institution.

Upon agreement with the host institutions, ICLAS publicises the names of the host institutions on the website and in all public presentations of ICLAS activities (unless the institution does not want to).

We hope that you will be interested in being part of this successful programme which has been operating since 2013 and contact: erc@iclas.org.