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#### CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Research fellowship – thematic collections

at the European Centre for Modern Languages (ECML) in Graz, Austria

October to December 2013

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The fellowship seeks to promote ECML publications by presenting and contextualizing content in an easy to use format, highlighting methods and approaches for reaching a wider readership. The rationale of the research fellowships directly supports the implementation of the Centre's mission, specifically the following operational objectives:

- to collect and disseminate examples of good practice in the field of modern language learning and teaching;
- to focus on dissemination and follow-up activities and to further develop the Centre's documentation and resources.

This fellowship is sponsored by the European Centre for Modern Languages (ECML) as part of its 2012-2015 *Learning through languages* programme ([www.ecml.at/learningthroughlanguages](http://www.ecml.at/learningthroughlanguages)).

The fellowship will be awarded to a young graduate from an ECML member state<sup>1</sup>. The fellow will be chosen by the ECML in co-operation with the programme consultants. Selection criteria will be based upon the expected profile and qualifications of the fellow, as outlined below.

The fellowship will be based at the ECML in Graz, Austria and will cover a period of three months.

The fellowship is guided by the staff of the ECML.

#### Objectives of the fellowship:

The research fellowship seeks to enhance the role and the visibility of the ECML as a European reference for excellence in language education. It is expected to enhance dissemination, communication and mediation of ongoing programme activities taking the Centre's publications as a starting point.

#### Task of the fellowship:

- to showcase specific areas of expertise of the ECML in the form of online thematic collections of materials relating to the following topics: **Evaluation and assessment, Plurilingual education, Content and Language Integrated Learning, ICT in language education, Early language learning, Migrant language education, Employment and languages, Mobility and intercultural learning, Signed languages**

#### Outputs of the fellowship:

- a contextualised introduction to each area
- a presentation of the ECML's most relevant publications, websites and materials on each theme via a single access point with examples of their application in different educational contexts;
- easy to use examples of practice in teaching and learning;
- clear reference to key surveys and studies conducted on the area, together with other relevant publications;
- separate entry points to the topic for different user groups interested in the theme (such as students/parents /teachers/teacher trainers/policy-makers) providing information adapted to their perspective and needs.

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<sup>1</sup> Albania, Andorra, Armenia, Austria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Montenegro, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Romania, Slovak Republic, Serbia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia".



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**Duration of the fellowship:** 1 October – 23 December 2013

**Profile:** a master's degree in language education and or qualification as language teacher

**Expected qualifications, skills and experience:**

- experience in language teaching;
- knowledge of Council of Europe and/or ECML language education tools and interest in European language education policies
- language skills: CEFR level C1 (or higher) in one of the organisation's official languages (English or French) and B2 (or higher) in the other
- ICT skills: advanced level (MS Office and website editing);
- good team-working skills;
- result-oriented working style.

**Conditions:** the ECML offers lump-sum allowance of 3,450 EUR covering the 3 month duration of the fellowship. Travel costs will not be covered. The fellow will be insured against accident and sickness occurring in the course of the fellowship. The fellow will also be entitled to 2 days of leave per month. The ECML will assist the successful candidate in finding accommodation.

**Procedure:** applications should be submitted on the form provided. In addition, candidates should include two documents:

- a language passport issued online by Europass/Cedefop
- a one page statement of motivation in English or French giving an outline of how the candidate intends to approach the work he/she is applying for. References to relevant publications and websites should be included.

**Applications should be sent to:** [information@ecml.at](mailto:information@ecml.at)

**Closing date for applications:** 15 August 2013