



Programme Calls in 2021 – Provisional Schedule

Programme	Description	Planned Launch in 2021	Planned Outcome Period
Early-career stage researcher funding			
Government of Ireland Postgraduate Scholarship Programme 2022	Supporting exceptional research masters and doctoral candidates pursuing, or intending to pursue, full-time research in any discipline	Q3 2021	Q1 2022
Irish Research Council-European Southern Observatory Studentship Programme	Supporting an astronomer of the future undertaking a PhD at an eligible Irish institution to gain experience at the most productive ground-based astronomical observatory in the world	Q3 2021	Q1 2022
Government of Ireland Postdoctoral Fellowship Programme 2022	Supporting exceptional individuals at an early stage of their postdoctoral career to develop as an independent researcher, working with a mentor of international standing	Q3 2021	Q2 2022
SFI-IRC Pathway Programme (Joint Call)	Enabling talented postdoctoral researchers across all disciplines to develop their track record and establish themselves as independent investigators	Q2 2021	Q4 2021
Enterprise Partnership Scheme (Postgraduate Scholarships) 2022	Supporting excellent research masters and doctoral candidates in any discipline to undertake a research project in collaboration with, and co-funded by, an enterprise or other eligible partner organisation	Q4 2021	Q2 2022
Employment-Based Postgraduate Programme 2022	Supporting excellent research masters and doctoral candidates to pursue full-time research based in and employed by an enterprise or other eligible organisation	Q4 2021	Q2 2022
Enterprise Partnership Scheme (Postdoctoral Fellowships) 2022	Supporting excellent researchers at an early stage of their postdoctoral career to work in partnership with an enterprise or other eligible partner organisation	Q4 2021	Q2 2022

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Principal investigator-led and other funding			
Laureate Awards Programme (Starting/Consolidator)	Supporting exceptional researchers to conduct frontier basic research across all disciplines	Q3 2021 tbc	Q2 2022 tbc
IRC-SPRINT (FAPESP) Networking Grant 2021	Supporting collaboration in any discipline between researchers in Ireland and the State of São Paulo, Brazil	tbc	tbc
New Foundations	Supporting eligible researchers intending to pursue research, networking or dissemination activities within and across the diversity of disciplines	Q2 2021	Q3 2021
Irish Research Council Researcher of the Year Awards 2021	Commending the very best of our current awardees or alumni working in academia, industry, civic society or the public sector	Q2 2021	Q4 2021
Ulysses	Supporting collaborations between Irish- and French-based researchers in areas important for both economies	tbc	tbc
COALESCE (Collaborative Alliances for Societal Challenges) 2021	Supporting excellent research addressing national and global challenges, including partnerships with government departments and agencies	Q3 2021	Q2 2022
AHRC-IRC: UK-Ireland Collaboration in the Digital Humanities Research Grants	Supporting large, collaborative UK-Ireland projects that will achieve a transformational impact in the digital humanities through innovative, multidisciplinary research	Q1 2021	Q3 2021
CHIST-ERA 2020	Reinforcing the transnational collaboration between participating states in challenging multidisciplinary research in the area of information and communication sciences and technologies	Q1 2021	Q3 2021
ESS National Coordinator Round 11	Appointment of a national coordinator for Ireland's participation in round 11 of the European Social Survey	Q2 2021	Q2 2021



Notes:

Clarity on timescales for certain programmes, including SPRINT and Ulysses, continues to be affected by the pandemic and associated restrictions on movement/travel.

Please note that the Irish Research Council will not be running a selection process for researchers to participate in the 71st Lindau Nobel Laureate Meeting (Chemistry), however it is anticipated that a call for the nomination of Irish-based researchers to participate in the 72nd Lindau Nobel Laureate Meeting (Physiology and Medicine) will open in Q3 2022.