

Dear colleagues,

The Center for Doctoral Studies at IES announces the **2015 spring call** for applications for funding from the **Summer School Mobility Fund (SSMF)**. SSMF reacts to the rising demand for participation of our doctoral students in prestigious summer schools that enhance their research skills and education. There will be again 3 scholarships available this year, with distribution of slots to both summer and winter schools. The selection will therefore be organized bi-annually so that also people wanting to go to winter schools have a chance for funding (please, if you plan to go to a winter school, let us know already now). The target amount for each stipend is approximately 15 000 CZK.

The scholarships are aimed at participation in prestigious summer (possibly winter) schools and workshops that until now had to be covered from students' own sources; focusing on the summer schools that provide education and training unavailable at IES (see the [list of 2014 top 10 summer schools](#)). The funding will cover the participation fee; and a contribution on travel expenses and board will be provided.

The criteria for the selection of applicants are (i) the quality of the event and the organizing institution (ii) the importance for the applicant's research and (iii) the quality of the applicant and his/her research. Please note that only summer schools that cannot be financed from other sources (e.g. GAUK) will be considered. Presentation at conferences and other types of research mobility will not be eligible for financing from this fund, other sources of financing have to be used instead (e.g. GAUK, supervisor's GAČR, etc.). For details see the [Handbook for Doctoral Students](#) p. 13.

The applications should have a format of **one page** where all important information about the summer school (including the expected budget and your total expenses) and its importance for your research should be mentioned. Include also your **up-to-date CV** and a brief **recommendation** of your supervisor (email is enough). Send these materials to this email phd@fsv.cuni.cz until **Friday April 10, 2015 23:59**, subject "Summer School Mobility Fund". The results will be announced to successful applicants in about two weeks after this date. There will be a three-member committee from the Institute involved in the decision making process.

Regards,

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