

SYNTHEsys

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SYNTHEsys is back - funding available for short research visits

New Call Deadline: 17th October, 2013 (17:00 UK time).

The SYNTHEsys Office is pleased to announce the start of the new SYNTHEsys3 project under the current European Commission's FPVII European-funded Integrating Activities funding scheme.

SYNTHEsys Access funding is available to provide scientists (Users) based in European Member, Associate and Candidate States to undertake short visits to utilise the infrastructure (comprising the collections, staff expertise and analytical facilities) at one of the 16 partner institutions (see full list below) for the purposes of their research. There will be an annual call for applications for the next four years.

Access Call 1 will officially open for applications on 2nd September 2013. **The Call 1 deadline will be 17:00 (UK time) Thursday 17th October, 2013** and awarded visits must take place within 2014 (calendar year).

[APPLY HERE](#)

Taxonomic Access Facilities (TAFs)

The 16 partner institutions are organised into 11 national TAFs. TAF Users will be hosted by a TAF staff member (Host).

The 11 TAFs represent an unparalleled resource for taxonomic research offering:

- collections amounting to over 324 million natural history specimens, including 3.3 million type specimens
- internationally renowned taxonomic and systematic skill base
- Facilities including: molecular and imaging & chemical analysis,
- **New** – CZ-TAF (Národní Muzeum, Praha) is now offering Access

Proposals for funding are welcomed from high-calibre scientists in any technical discipline seeking access for short-term research visits (average duration 15 days). SYNTHEsys is able to meet the Users' costs for:

- Research costs (bench fees and laboratory consumables)
- International travel & local accommodation while based at the TAF
- A per diem contribution towards living costs

See www.synthesys.info for more information or contact synthesys@nhm.ac.uk

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SYNTHESYS TAFs:

- AT-TAF Naturhistorisches Museum, Wien;
- BE-TAF Royal Belgian Institute of Natural Sciences;
Koninklijk Museum voor Midden-Afrika;
- CZ-TAF Národní Muzeum, Praha; ****NEW****
- DE-TAF Museum für Naturkunde;
Botanischer Garten und Botanisches Museum;
- ES-TAF Museo Nacional de Ciencias Naturales &
Real Jardín Botánico Naturales (CSIC);
- DK-TAF The Natural History Museum of Denmark;
- FR-TAF Muséum National d'Histoire Naturelle;
- GB-TAF Natural History Museum, London;
Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew;
Royal Botanic Garden, Edinburgh;
- HU-TAF Hungarian Natural History Museum;
- NL-TAF NCB Naturalis;
- SE-TAF Naturhistoriska Riksmuseet.

Eligibility:

The SYNTHESYS TAFs are inviting Access applications from scientists based in the Member States of the EU:

Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark (including Greenland), Estonia, Finland, France (including Guadeloupe, Martinique, Guyane, La Réunion), Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom.

Plus the Associated Countries of the EU:

Albania, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Faroe Islands, FYR Macedonia, Iceland, Israel, Liechtenstein, Montenegro, Norway, Republic of Moldova, Republic of Serbia, Switzerland and Turkey.