

CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

The Speech & Voice Laboratory of Liepaja University (Latvia) is looking for experienced researchers of any nationality to host under Marie Sklodowska-Curie Individual Fellowships (MSCA-IF) 2020.

Reaserch Topics

The Speech & Voice Laboratory of Liepaja University offers experienced researchers to join it in realizing research projects related to different aspects of **voice ergonomics**; to investigate an interaction between **voice and rooms acoustics**; as well as to start discovering together the possibilities of the **ectroencephalography method in studies of language and communication disorders.**

The Speech & Voice Laboratory

The Laboratory aims at developing scientific research in the field of speech therapy and diversifying the study process of students of the study programme "Speech Therapy" by teaching them the latest methods for diagnosing speech and voice disorders.

The Laboratory is located in Liepaja Regional hospital. The choice of the location is not haphazard; it shows longstanding and regular cooperation between Liepaja University and the Hospital in the preparation of future speech therapists.

Dr.med. Baiba Trinīte, the head of the Laboratory, associated professor of Liepaja University, has been active in the field of voice research for many years. She is an author of the book "Voice and its Disorders". She has accomplished several internships and got acquainted with the work of voice research in Belgium, Italy and other European countries. She is a president of Speech Therapists Association of Latvia.

More information: http://voice.liepu.lv/

Should you have any questions regarding the research topics, please, be welcome to contact Dr.med. Baiba Trinīte baiba.trinite@liepu.lv.

About MSCA-IF

- Deadline of project submission:9 September 2020.
- Possible start of the project:
 1 March 2021 1 September 2022.
- Experienced Researcher must be, at the date of the call deadline, in possession of a doctoral degree or have at least four years of full-time equivalent research experience.
- Mobility rule: the researcher cannot have resided or carried out his/her main activity (work, studies, etc.) in Latvia for more than 12 months in the three years immediately before the call deadline.
- The grant covers living, mobility and family costs, as well research-related costs.
- **Project duration:** 12-24 months.

More information: https://ec.europa.eu/research /mariecurieactions/actions/individualfellowships_en

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About us

Liepaja University (LiepU) is a regional university with large experience and academic traditions. It was founded in 1954 on the basis of Teacher Training Institute. It is located in Kurzeme region in the heart of Liepaja city – a city with long and diverse history, unique architecture and atmosphere, and mostly - wonderful sea and beach.

Studies

The university is divided into four faculties: 1) **Science and Engineering**, 2) **Pedagogy and Social work**, 3) **Humanities and Arts**, and 4) **Management and Social Sciences**. LiepU implements 30 different study programmes, including 4 Doctoral programmes, 10 Master's programmes and 16 Bachelor's programmes. It offers 7 international study programmes fully taught in English.

Students and Staff

There are nearly 1 400 students in LiepU and more than 20 thousand graduates. LiepU academic staff constitutes more than 200 persons, 68 per cent of them hold a doctoral degree.

Research

LiepU develops innovative research in four research institutes in vast and diverse fields: 1) Institute of Science and Innovative Technologies - Renewable, nanomaterial energy, E-resources and information technologies, Smart technologies, Mathematics. 2) Institute of Educational Sciences - Educational science, Music therapy, Speech therapy; 3) Kurzeme Institute of Humanities - Latvian literature and folklore; History and theory of theatre; Latvian diachronic and synchronic linguistics; 4) Institute of Management Sciences - Business administration; Public administration; Educational management. Moreover, there are several research centres and laboratories at the University: Circular Economy Center - Sustainable development; Circular economy; Art Research Laboratory - New media art; Speech Therapy Center - Speech therapy; Music Therapy Center - Music therapy.

International experience

Liepaja University has more than 100 partner universities in 30 countries. The University has been involved in numerous EU-funded projects and various other international and national programmes and initiatives.

More information: www.liepu.lv

Interested applicants are encouraged to send their CV and brief description of research topic by email to Project department: nora.ferebefa@liepu.lv until 30 June 2020.

Candidates will be invited to prepare their full proposal in collaboration with their supervisor at Liepaja University towards the submission deadline 9 September 2020.

