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COMMITMENT OF QUALITY ASSURANCE FOR THE RESEARCHER'S MOBILITY PORTAL

(ERACAREERS: <http://europa.eu.int/eracareers>)

This Commitment is open to public and private sector research organisations anywhere in Europe and the world that share our commitments and objectives and are willing to contribute to the successful implementation of the European Researcher's Mobility Portal.

All the signatories of this Commitment may withdraw from this agreement at any time on the condition that they announce this to the Commission in writing.

All the signatories of this Commitment agree that failure to respect its commitments will lead to their suspension from this initiative.

Principles of this Commitment

All the signatories of this Commitment are committed to working towards the widest possible access to the resources of relevant information for mobile researchers through internet based web sources, thus contributing to a more favourable environment for the professional development of researchers in Europe.

In public and private partnership at European, international, national, regional or local level, including government, non-government organisations, institutes of higher education, research centres, foundations, academia, IT and media organisations, industry including SMEs, the signatories will work together to achieve the following goals:

- To provide action and inform about the largest possible number of fellowships and grants from public and private organisations at international, European, national, regional and local level which are accessible, in a commonly agreed format on both the Researcher's Mobility Portal and the information provider's portal or web-site.
- To guarantee access to research job vacancies from a variety of terminals and different access systems through the implementation of inter-operational protocols.
- To provide, whenever possible, information about issues related to national regulations, administrative and cultural issues relevant to researchers and their family members when moving from one country to another, as well as about policy issues relevant to mobile researchers.
- To contribute to an effective promotion strategy of this service.

Commitments for the signatories

They include:

Interoperability: Standardisation on core sets of inter-operational protocols, formats, search and retrieve functions, access interfaces and terminal interfaces and protocols: in conjunction with the relevant documents and deliverables as proposed by the European Commission.

Ownership: The provided information remains the ownership of each provider linked to the Portal.

Quality assurance: All the signatories of this Commitment agree upon the necessity to guarantee the quality of the information: the information provided shall be complete, impartial, accurate, practical, user-friendly and up-to-date. The responsibility for this quality assurance lies entirely with the owner of the web source.

Accessibility: The information provided shall be accessible to all researchers regardless of their situation, place of residence or social category.

Principle of non-discrimination: The information provided shall respect the principle of non-discrimination and in particular shall guarantee equal treatment for its users irrespective of their nationality, gender, racial or ethnic origin, religion or beliefs, disability, age or sexual orientation.

Confidentiality: Where relevant, information and counselling are given in a way that respects the user's confidence and anonymity.

Common ownership of this project: The participating organisations are committed to exchanging information and to sharing experiences within the scope of this Commitment.

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