



Federation of European Biochemical Societies

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The Federation of European Biochemical Societies (FEBS) is one of the largest organisations in European life sciences with nearly 40 000 members distributed among 36 Constituent Societies throughout Central and Eastern Europe. Our primary goal is to promote and develop basic research and education in biochemistry, molecular cell biology, and molecular biophysics throughout Europe.

For more than 30 years, the active FEBS PROGRAMME has included:

ADVANCED COURSES

- **Local Lecture and Practical Courses** are available for as few as 15 residential guests, and up to 200 attendees.
- Two **High Level Practical Courses** within Central and Eastern Europe are supported to further science in these countries.

• **Youth Travel Funds** may be applied for by young scientists who wish to attend courses outside of their own country.

Applications for organising a course should reach the Chairman of the Courses Committee at least 1 year before the course is intended to be held. Deadlines for submission of applications are set for the end of February and/or August. FEBS will also cosponsor courses supported by other grant-giving institutions (e.g. EMBO, NATO, IUBMB, ESF, etc.)

FELLOWSHIPS

• **Long-term Fellowships** in a country outside your own are available to facilitate mobility, collaboration and exchange of information. The fellowship is for a 1-year term and may be renewed for an additional year. Long-term fellowships are awarded twice/year. Applications should be received by the Chairman of the Fellowships Committee before either April 1 or October 1 of the corresponding year. Retrospective applications cannot be considered.

• **Short-term Fellowships** are offered to support scientific collaboration between FEBS Constituent Societies. This fellowship lasts no longer than 2 months. Applications should reach the Chairman of the Fellowships Committee at least 2 months before the proposed starting date.

• **Summer Fellowships** are available to young scientists to travel to institutions outside their own country for short-term research projects. Applications should reach the Chairman of the Fellowships Committee before April 1 each year.

• **Collaborative Experimental Scholarships** are open to Central and Eastern European students currently completing their doctoral thesis. These funds are intended to allow visitation to well-founded laboratories for the completion of experimental procedures that are either impossible to do, or difficult to carry out in their home country.

PUBLICATIONS

• The activities of FEBS would not be possible without your continued support of and publication in the **European Journal of Biochemistry** (EJB) and **FEBS Letters**. Both publications are available electronically, indexed through the various indexing services, and are peer reviewed.

• A bimonthly newsletter, **FEBS Newsletter**, was launched in May 2002. This newsletter is available via the FEBS Web-site. It is also possible to have the newsletter sent directly to you. Should you wish to subscribe, please fill out the e-submission form available on the FEBS Web-site. Next issue will be out in beginning of July, 2002.

ANNUAL MEETING

• FEBS promotes the goals of the Federation and the high-quality science of its members through the **Annual Meeting** hosted by one member of the Federation each year. Bursaries are available to assist young scientists to attend these meetings. The **28th FEBS Meeting** will take place in Istanbul, Turkey, October 20–25, 2002. For additional information: Secretariat FEBS2002, Kenes International, P.O. Box 50006, Tel Aviv 61500, Israel. Tel.: +972-3-5140014; Fax: +972-3-5140077; e-mail: 2002febs@kenes.com; Web-site: www.kenes.com/febs. The **Special Meeting on Signal Transduction** will take place in Brussels, Belgium, July 4–8, 2003. For additional information please contact Scientific Secretariat Professor J.E. Dumont, I.R.I.B.H.N.-ULB, Campus Erasme, building C, 808 route de Lennik, B-1070 Brussels, Belgium. Tel.: +32-2-555 41 35; Fax: +32-2-555 46 55; e-mail: cleclerc@ulb.ac.be

SCIENTIFIC APPARATUS RECYCLING SCHEME (SARS)

• FEBS distributes surplus research materials and instruments via the Constituent Societies in Central and Eastern Europe through **SARS**.

In addition to the above activities FEBS has a Science and Society Committee, and Working Groups on the Career of Young Scientists, Women in Science, Ways to Improve Assistance to Central and Eastern European Countries, and on Education in Biochemistry.

For information about chairpersons of the different Com-

mittees and Working groups see FEBS Executive Committee and FEBS related activities.

Additional information and **application forms** for any of our fellowship awards and course proposals can be downloaded from the FEBS Web-site at <http://www.febs.org>