



**From the Council**

Dear postdocs,

We hope that you had a good start of the academic year!

We want to remark a couple of things that can be helpful to the new postdocs recently appointed:

- Each year you are assigned a **personal development and training budget** of € 1,000 to improve your employability within or outside the academic world. Please contact **Yvonne Folkers** ([y.folkers@rug.nl](mailto:y.folkers@rug.nl)) for queries on the use of this budget.
- **Your partner** can participate in the [dual career](#) program of the University. This group offers support in job searching and provides a great opportunity for them to have their own social group.

Best regards,

PostDoc Council

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## News from the Institutes

Groningen Institute for Evolutionary Life Sciences (GELIFES)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Our monthly meeting is being rescheduled. Contribute to the selection of the new date by adding your availability in this <a href="#">link</a>.</li> </ul>
Institute for Science Education and Communication (ISEC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ On 9 November, <a href="#">Dr. May Lee</a>, assisted by <a href="#">Dr. Nathália Helena Azevedo</a>, will be giving a professional development workshop on <i>Supporting Student Talk about Science</i> to 40-50 pre-service primary teachers in Meppel as part of the <a href="#">Generation AI project</a>, which is partly funded by the ERASMUS+ Programme of the EU.</li> </ul>
Stratingh Institute for Chemistry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Multiple chemistry labs have volunteered to implement a new green lab criteria called <a href="#">LEAF</a> (Laboratory Efficiency Assessment Framework), in an effort to make research more sustainable! If your lab is interested in joining, contact Meagan at <a href="mailto:m.a.beatty@rug.nl">m.a.beatty@rug.nl</a>!</li> </ul>
Van Swinderen Institute for Particle Physics and Gravity (VSI)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ On 31 October, Dr. Giorgio Orlando presented a talk on “Spectral Distortions and Non-Gaussianities” in the “Mission: Spectro-polarimetry of the Microwave Sky” workshop held in Leiden at the Lorentz Institute.</li> </ul>

## Events

### Monthly sport activities for postdocs at the FSE

Are you a postdoc? Enthusiastic about sports? Did you answer “yes” to both questions? Then this might be interesting for you...

Once a month, the Postdoc Council at the FSE organizes a sport activity at the ACLO installations on campus and elsewhere. If you have practiced sports before or if you are new to it, don't think twice and come along if you wanna have a great evening playing sports with other fellow postdocs! The idea is to get together and meet new people while playing some matches and have fun!

Every month a different activity will be organized. If you are interested in doing this, sign up at this whatsapp link for more information: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/DLaDKNCduiu3ER2KjwvMD5>

We hope to see many of you there!

For any questions, please contact the sport activities organizer:

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**Seed Funds for Public Engagement**

*There is an opportunity for RUG and UMCG scientific staff to receive up to €5,000 for ongoing or future public engagement projects.*

*More details can be found at:*

<https://www.ruq.nl/research/openscience/news/221010-ug-umcg-introduce-pilot-for-public-engagement-seed-fund>

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