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- (10) E e h gh Me ber a e ha e adec iderable effrer ecce ad i i ra i e a d legal bacle ge gra hical a di ecce ral bili, a fhe e bacle illre ai.
- (11) All fr f bili h ld be e c raged a ar fac rehe i e h a re rce lici & Da ai al, regi al a di i i al le el.
- (12) he ale fall from from bili eed be florec giedi he career a rai ala doareer ada cere en from earcher, hogara eeig ha chae erie ceic doie heirorfe i alde el e.
- (13) he de el de fac i e careera dobili lic fr re earcher sadfor he Erea i hold be coidered i hregard he i a i i de el igcorie a dregi i hi a doide Ere, ha boildigre earch ca aciie i hi he Erea i de ccra he e e e fle de el ed corie rregio.
- (14) F der re le en fre earcher i heir le a recrier h ld bere ible frridigre earcher i he, ra are a d i era i all c arable eleci a drecrier e r ced re.
- (15) cie h lda recia e ref ll here ibili ie a dhe refe i ali hare earcher de ra e i e ec i gheir rka differe age fheir career a di heir li-face edr le a k ledge rker, leader, r jec c rdi a r, a ager, eri r, e r, career ad i r r cie ce c ica r.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> COM(2004) 178 fi al f 16.3.2004.

- (16) hi ec dai ake a i redie ha ed l er rf der fre earcher ha e a eridig bligai e re ha he dee re ecie a i al, regi al recrallegilai re irede.
- (17) hi ec dai ride Medber ae, ed ler, f der a dre earcher i ha alable i ree derake, a larbai, frheri i iai e frheid ree a dc lidai fre earcher' career rec i he Erea i a dfrhe orea i fa e lab rake frre earcher.
- (18) he ge eral rici le a dre ire e li edi hi ec da i are he fi i fa blic c la i r ce hich he he be fhe eerig Gr H a e rce a d M bili ha e bee fll a cia ed,

# Hereby recommends:

1. ha Me ber a e e dea r derake he ece ar e e re ha e ler rf der fre earcher de el a d'ai ai a riere earche ir e a d'rkigclre, here i di id al a dre earch grare al ed, e c raged a dred, a drided ih he ece ar a eriala di a gible reable he flfil heir bjecie a da kai ihi hi ce, a riclar riri hl ririie 1ab ri15()9.7(a)-o.7 co.0681 di



fheir lie, chage jb, rier heir career d dlffer al ficial ecririgh.

- 8. ha Me ber a e i lace he ece ar i rigrore re ie hi ec e da i reglarl, a ella ea re he e e hich e l er, f der a dre earcher ha ea lied he Er ea Charerfre earcher a d he C de f C d c fr he e or i e f e earcher.
- 9. ha he oi gia fr dea righi ill be e abli hed a dag eed ih he Me bo a e ihi he e fhe rk do ake bhe eo ig Gr H da e rce a d M bili.
- 10. ha Me ber a e i heir le a re re e a i e i he i er ai al rga i a i e abli hed a i erg er e al le el aked e acc f hi ec e da i he r i g ra egie a d aki g deci i c cer i g he accii i e f h e rga i a i .
- 11. hi ec he dai i addre ed he Me ber a e b i i al i e deda a i r he e c rage cial dial g e, a ell a dial g e a gre earcher, akeh lder a d cie a large.
- 12. he Me ber a e are i ied i fr he C hi i , a far a ible, b 15 h Dece ber 2005 a da all hereafer fa heare he ha e ake frher hi ec he dai, a d i fr i f he fir re l fi a licai a ella r ide e a le fg d racice.
- 13. hi ec dai ill bere ie ed ei dicall b he C i i he c e f he O e Me h d f C rdi ai .
- Dea Brel, 11 March 2005

FrheC i Jae čik Me ber fheC i i



he Er ea Charerfre earcheria e fge eral ricile a d re ire e hich ecifie her le re ibili ie a de i le e fre earcher a ella fe ler ad/rf der fre earcher °. he ai f he Chareri e re ha he a re f herela i hi be egreearcher a de ler rf deric doie <u>o</u>cce fl erfr<sup>M</sup>ace i ge eraig, ra ferr<u>i</u>g, harig ad di e<sup>M</sup>iaig k ledge a d ech l gical de el de , a d he career de el - de fre earcher . he Char er al rec g i e he al e fall from f bili a a mea fre hacigher fei al de el me f re earcher

I hi e e, he Charer c i e a frame rkfrre earcher, e l e a df de hich i ie he acre ibladar fe i al ihi heir rkige ir e , a d rec gie each hera ch.

he Char er addre e allre earcher i he Er ea i a all age fheir career adcer all field free archi he blicad riae ecr, irre ecie fhe are fhea i he reblicad riae legal a fheire lerrhe e frgaiai re ablih e i hich he rki carried .I ake i acc he de liler le f re earcher, h\_are a <u>ied locdore earchad/r</u> carr de el de acijie bareal i ledi erii, de -rig, da agede raddiiraie ak.

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hi Charer ake a i remie hare earcher a ella emil er a d/rf der fre earcher ha ea eridig bligai e re ha he ee here ireme f here ecie a i al rregi al legi lai here earcher e j a a a drigh hich are, i cer ai reme ec, refa rable ha her ided fri hi Charer, i emin hid bei ked dimiihhe a a drigh alread ac ired. e earcher, a ella emil er a df der, hadhere hi Charer illal bere ecig hef dame alrigh a d bere hericile rec gied bhe Charer ff dame al igh fhe Er ea i s.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Official J r al C 364, 18.12.2000 . 0001-0022.

he a id lagiari fa ki da dabideb he ri ci le fi ellec al r er a dji da a er hi i he ca e fre earch carried i c llab ra i i ha er i r() a d/r her re earcher. he eed alida e e b er a i b h i g ha e eri e arerer d cible h ld be i er re eda lagiari, r ided ha he da a be c firmed are e licil ed.

e earcher h ld e re, if a a ec f heir rki delega ed, ha he er h i i delega ed ha he c e e c e carr i .

#### Professional attitude

e earcher hold be fa<sup>m</sup>iliar in he rategic gal gorigheir re earche ir he adf dighechain, adhold eek all ece arar al befre arigheire earch racce ighere rce rided.

he hold if rheire le, f der rerir he heir reearch rjec i dela ed, redefied rche le ed, rgie ice ifi i be ethia ed earlier reded frha e errea.

# Contractual and legal obligations

e earcher a all le el be fabiliar in he ai al, ec ral r i i alreglai gerigraiiga d/r rkigc dii .

#### Accountability

e earcher eed be a are ha he are acc able ard heir eller, for the related blic rori aeb die a ella, re e hical growd, ard cie a a hle. I ar ic lar, re earcher for ded boblic for dore all acc able for he efficie e fa aer eller eller de la defficie fi a cial a agene a dore a e i ha a hori eda di for heir e earch, he her der ake boheir eller /for robe hic comi ee.

Mehd follecia da ali, he ad, herea licable, de ail fheda ah ldbe e i erala de eral ori, hee erece ara da ree edb hear ria ea hrije.

#### Good practice in research

e earcher h Ida all ine ad afe rkig racice, i lie ih a i allegilai, i cl dig akig he ece ar reca i frheal h a d afe a dfrrec er frifrai ech l g dia er, e.g. bre arig rerback-ra egie. he h Idal befamiliar ih he cre a i allegalre ire e regardig da ar eci a d c fide iali reci re ire e, a d derake he ece ar ef Ifil he a all ine.

# Dissemination, exploitation of results

Allre earcher h ld e re, i c lia ce i h heir c rac al arra ge e , ha here l f heir re earch are di e i a ed a d e lied, e.g. c ica ed, ra ferredi herre earch e (a df8 c.ooo710

are ei here lied c derciall r dade acce ible he blic (rbh) he eer he riarie.

#### Public engagement

e earcher holde re ha heire earchacii ie are nadek cie a largei cha a ha he ca be der db - eciali, hereb in righe blic' der a digficie ce. Direc e gagene ih he blic ill hel re earcher be er der a d bliciere i ririie fricie ce a decholga dal he blic'c cer.

#### Relation with supervisors

e earcher i heir raiig ha e h lde ablihar creda dreglarrelai hi ih heir erir() a dfacl/de ar he alrere e aie() a akefllad a age fheirrelai hi ih he....

hi i cl de kee i grec rd fall rk r gre a dre earch fi di g, b ai i g feedback b ea fre r a de i ar, a li g ch feedback a d rki gi acc rda ce i h agreed ched le, ile e, delierable a d/rre earch.

# Supervision and managerial duties

e irre earcher hold de e aric lara e i heir li-face ed role a erir, he r, career ad ir, leader, rjec cordia-r, ha ager role ce combica role he hold effrom he e a kombigher role i al a dard pointegard heir lea erir role role earcher, e irre earcher hold bild acordie a doi i erelai hi i home earlongere earcher, i role e he codii frefficie rafer fkoledge a dfrom from coe folde el ere forme earcher career.

# Continuing Professional Development

e earcher a all career age h ld eek c i all i $^{44}$ r e he $^{44}$ -

# General Principles and Requirements applicable to Employers and Funders:

## Recognition of the profession

Allre earcher e gagediare earch career hold berec giedarfe i al adberea ed accordigl. hi hold che ce a he beging fheir career, anel angradaele el, adhold icl de all le el, regardle fheir claificaia ai al le el (e.g. en lee, gradae de, dorral cadidae, dorral fell, ci il era).

#### Non-discrimination

E l e a d/r f de fre earche ill di σ i i a e agai re earche i a a he ba i fge de, age, e h ic, a i al r cial rigi, religi r belief, e al rie a i , la g age, di abili , li ical i i , cial r ec icc di i .

#### Research environment

E l e a d/r f der fre earcher h lde re ha he i laigre earch rre earch raiige ir e i σea ed hich ffer a r ria e e i e , faciliie a d r iie, i cl digfre ec llabrai ere earch e rk, a d ha he ai al r ec-fflh9()i r J

i ecri i heir r fe i alf re. Allre earcher h ld be hade fahiliar ih chr ii a darra gehe .

# Value of mobility

En ler a d/rf der rec gie he ale fge ga hical, i erec ral, i er-a dra -diciliar a dir al<sup>12</sup> bili a ella bili be ee he blica driae ec ra a in ra lea fe ha ci g cie ifick ledgea dr fe i alde el le a a lage fare earcher career. Ce e e l, he hold bild choi i he ecific career de el le ra ega dfll al ea dack ledge a bili e erie ce i hi her career rege i /a rai al ella lace all he rabili fe hega a docial ecri roii, i accrda ce i hai al legi lai.

#### Access to research training and continuous development

En l er a d/rf der h lde re ha allre earcher a a age f heir career, regardle f heir care al i a i , are gie he r i frrfe i alde el e a dfrier i gheire l - abili hr ghacce de re frhec i i gde el e f kill a d c e e cie.

#### Supervision

E l er a d/rf der h lde re ha a er i clearlide ified h learl - agere earcher ca refer fr he erfr a ce f heir rfe i ald ie, a d h ldi fr here earcher acc rdi gl.

charra gene h ld clearl defie ha he red erir are fficie le eri erii greearch, ha e he ine, k ledge, e erie ce, e erie a d charrai ee a rria e ra d ride frhe ece ar rge a d re ie r ced re a ella he ece ar feedback echa i

#### Teaching

eachigia e e ial ea frhe rcrigaddi e iai f k ledgeadh ld herefre be c ideredaal able i ihi here earcher' career ah. H e er, eachigre ibiliie h ld be e ce i e a dh ld re e re earcher, aric larl a he begiig fheir career, frecarrig heire earchaciiie.

En ler a d/rf der h lde re ha eachigd ie are adea el ren era ed a dake i acc i he e al a i /a rai al en, a dha ine de ed be ir ne ber f aff he rai ig fearl agere earcher h ld be c ed a ar f heir eachigc ine i able rai ig h ld be r ided freachiga dcachig aciiie a ar f he r fe i alde el e freearcher.

#### Evaluation/appraisal systems

En l er a d/rf der h ldir d cefrallre earcher, icl dig e irre earcher, e al a i /a rai al en fra e igheir rfe i al erfra ce areg larba i a di a ra are na erb a i de e de (a d, i he ca e f e irre earcher, referabl i era i al) con i ee.

#### Recruitment

E ler a d/rf der h lde re ha heer a dad i i a dard frre earcher, aric larl a he begi i ga heir career, are clear lecified a dh ld al facilia e acce fr di ad a aged grfrre earcher re rigare earch career, i cl digeacher (fa le el) re rigare earch career.

End of the earther hand adhere he ricile e i he C de f C d c frhe earther he a i i g rrear ii greearther.

hecde fc d c fr hereor in e fre earcher c i fa e f ge eral ricile a dre irene ha h ld befll ed b en l er a d/r f der he a i i g r reor i i g re earcher. he e ricile a dre irene h ld e re b er a ce f al e ch a Aderie e hold gie a brad de ori i fkoledge a dome e cie re ired, a domo ld be ecialied a diorrage i able a lica. E lor hold i clode a de ori i fhor king codii a de ile e , i clodig career de el e roeco. More er, he i e allo ed be e e he aderie e fore aca cor he call fra lica i a dome de adli e fore lord be realico.

#### Selection

eleci chi i ee h ld brig geherdieree eriead che e ceadh ldhaea ade aegederbalacead, herear riaead feaible, i cl de e ber frodiffere ecr (blicad riae) addici lie, i cl digfrohercriead i hreleae eriecea e hecadidae heerible, a iderage feleci raciceh ld be ed, chae erale era e e adface-facei erie. Me ber feleci ael h ld beade ael raied.

#### Transparency

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hi hea ha heri h ld be j dged aliaiel a ella a iai el, f c i g a di gre l i hi a di er ified career a ha d
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rafer, haage e fre earchadi a i ad blica are e
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h ld be aid a c rib i a e , de el e ri e i .

# Variations in the chronological order of CVs

Career break raria i i he chr l gical rder fC h ld be e ali ed, b regarded a a e l i fa career, a d c e e l, a a e iall al able c rib i he r fe i al de el e f re earcher ard a lidime i al career rack. Ca dida f

i er a i aladr fe i al bili. he h ld i fr he el e a dgai a f ll der a dig fr le, r cedre a d a dard g erig herec g i i f ch alifica i a d, c e e l, e l re e i i g a i alla, c e i a d ecificr le herec g i i f he e alifica i hr ghall a ailable cha el 16.

# Seniority

hele el f alifica i re ired h ld bei li e i h he eed f he ii a d be e a a barrier e r. ec g ii a de al a i f alifica i h ld f c j dgi g he achie e e f he er ra her ha hi /her circ a ce r here a i f hei i i here he alifica i ere gai ed. A r fe i al alifica i a be gai ed a a earl age f a l g career, he a er f lifel g r fe i al de el e h ld al berec g i ed.

#### Postdoctoral appointments

Clear le a de lici g ideli e frhereori e a da i e f d cralre earcher, i cl dighe a indurai a dhe bjecie f cha i e, h ld be e ablihed b hei i i a i i g d cralre earcher. ch g ideli e h ld ake i acc i e e i rir d crala i e a heri i i a d ake i c iderai ha he d cral a h ld be ra ii al, i h he ri ar r e fridigaddii al r fe i al de el e r i i e frare earch career i he c e fl generate earch career i ec.

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#### Researchers

Frher e f hi ec dai hei erai all rec gied Fra caidefiii fre earch 17 ill be ed. C e e l, re earcher are de cribed a

"Professionals engaged in the conception or creation of new knowledge, products, processes, methods and systems, and in the management of the projects concerned."

Mre ecificall, hi ec de dai relae all er r fe i-alle gagedi &Daa career age s, regardle f heir claificai. hi i cl de a aciiie relaed baic re earch, ra egic re earch, a liedre earch, e e al de el e a d ra fer f k ledge, i cl digi ai a dadir, er ir a d eachig ca aciie, he a age e fk ledge a di ellec al r er righ, he e liai fre earch re l r cie ificj r ali.

A di i c i i dade be ee Earl - age e earcher a d E erie ced e earcher :

\_ he er Earl - age e earcher <sup>19</sup> refer re earcher i he fir frear (fll-idee iale) fheirre earch acii, icl dig he erid fre earch raiig.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> I:red adard racice frre e earch ad Eeri<sup>M</sup>e al Deel <sup>M</sup>e, Fracai Maal, **9**ECD, 2002.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> COM (2003) 436 f18.7. 2003: e earcher i he EA:Ore r fe i , <sup>41</sup> lile career .

e rkrga de rcrighe Er ea e earch Area H da e rce ad Mibili i Marie Crie Aci, edii e e de por 2004, age 41.

\_ E erie ced e earcher 2º are defied a re earcher haig a lea frear freearche erie ce (fll-inee i ale ) i ce gaiig a i eri dil agiig he acce d c ral die, i he c r i hich he degree/dil a a baied r re earcher alread i e i fad c ral degree, regardle fhe ine ake ac ire i.

#### **Employers**

I he c e f hi ec da i e l e refer all h e blic r ria e i i i hich e l re earcher a c rac al bair hich h he der her e fc rac rarra ge e, i cl dighe ih a direc fi a cialrela i hi. he la errefer aric larl i i i f higher ed ca i , fac l de ar e , labrarie, f da i r ria e b die herere earcher eiher derg heirre earch rai i g r carr heirre earch ac i i e he ba i f f digrided b a hird ar .

#### **Funders**

F der refer all h e b die 21 hich r ide f dig, (i cl dig i e d, a ard, gra a d fell hi) blic a d ri a ere earch i i i, i cl dig i i frhigher ed cai. I hir le he iigh i la e a a ke c dii frridig f dig ha he f ded i i i h ld ha e i lace a da l effecie ra egie, rac ice a d echa i acc rdig he ge eral rici le a dre ire e re e edi hi ec e dai.

<sup>20</sup> Ide , age 42.

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# Appointment or employment

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