

International Funding Opportunities

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NEW ZEALAND
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The Royal Society of New Zealand

About the Society:

- Representation for ~1,600 members and ~20,000 constituent members
- Operates under an act of parliament (focus strategic priorities)



**Royal Society of New Zealand
Amendment Act 2012**

Statement of Strategic Intent

Meet New Zealand's need for **information** on challenging issues

Raise **awareness** of New Zealand research and scholarship

Nurture and create talented people to support research and scholarship

Engage with the International Community

Creating and enduring **organisation** with effective resource management

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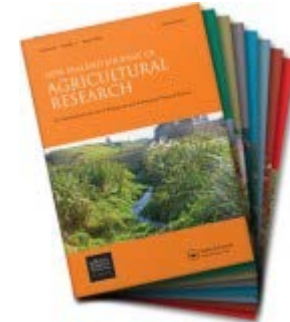
Some outcomes of our strategic priorities

- Fellows
- Companions
- Medals and awards
- Emerging issues papers
- 10x10 Lecture series
- Speaker's Science Forum
- Distinguished Science Speaker Series
- Rutherford Medal Winner Lecture Series



Contracts managed for Government

- Marsden Fund
- James Cook Research Fellowships
- Rutherford Discovery Fellowships
- Prime Minister's Science Prizes
- Publishing New Zealand Journals
- New Zealand Science & Mathematics Teacher Fellowships
- Science Media Centre
- **International Relationship Fund**
- Membership of International Associations



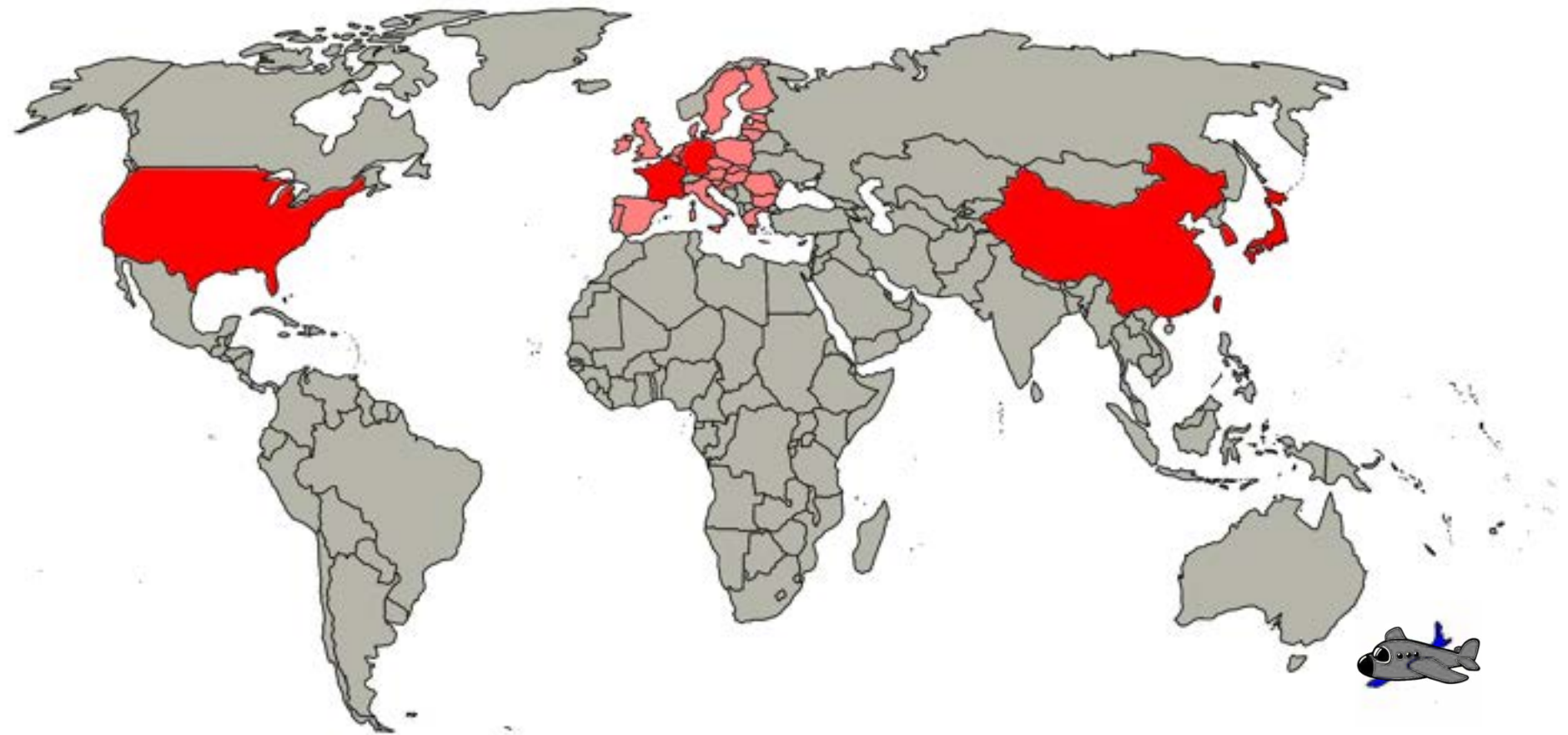
International Relationships Fund

15-16 schemes for international collaboration

- Mobility (travel grants)
- Joint Research Programmes
- Workshops



International Relationships Fund



International Unions

- The Society manages the country's representation in more than thirty international scientific unions
 - Life Sciences
 - Earth Sciences
 - Physical Sciences
 - Social Sciences
 - Humanities
- Funding is also available for:
 - Delegate travel to these unions
 - Support an annual meeting



FRIENZ Facilitating
research and innovation cooperation
between Europe and New Zealand

An Introduction to FRIENZ



Ministry of Business,
Innovation & Employment



Overview

-  Three year European Commission FP7 project initiative in partnership with the New Zealand Government
-  Aims to facilitate new and deeper strategic research, science and innovation partnerships
 - Health
 - Research Infrastructures
 - Bio-economy
 - Resilient Cities
-  International funding opportunities
 - Horizon 2020

Project Partners



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Resilient cities



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Europe

↑↓ Study Tours

Health

Research
Infrastructures

Bio-economy

Resilient Cities

↑↓ Study Tours

New Zealand

- Relationships
- Ideas
- Collaborations
- Showcasing New Zealand

EU Programmes

- RISE
- MSCA





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Research Offices

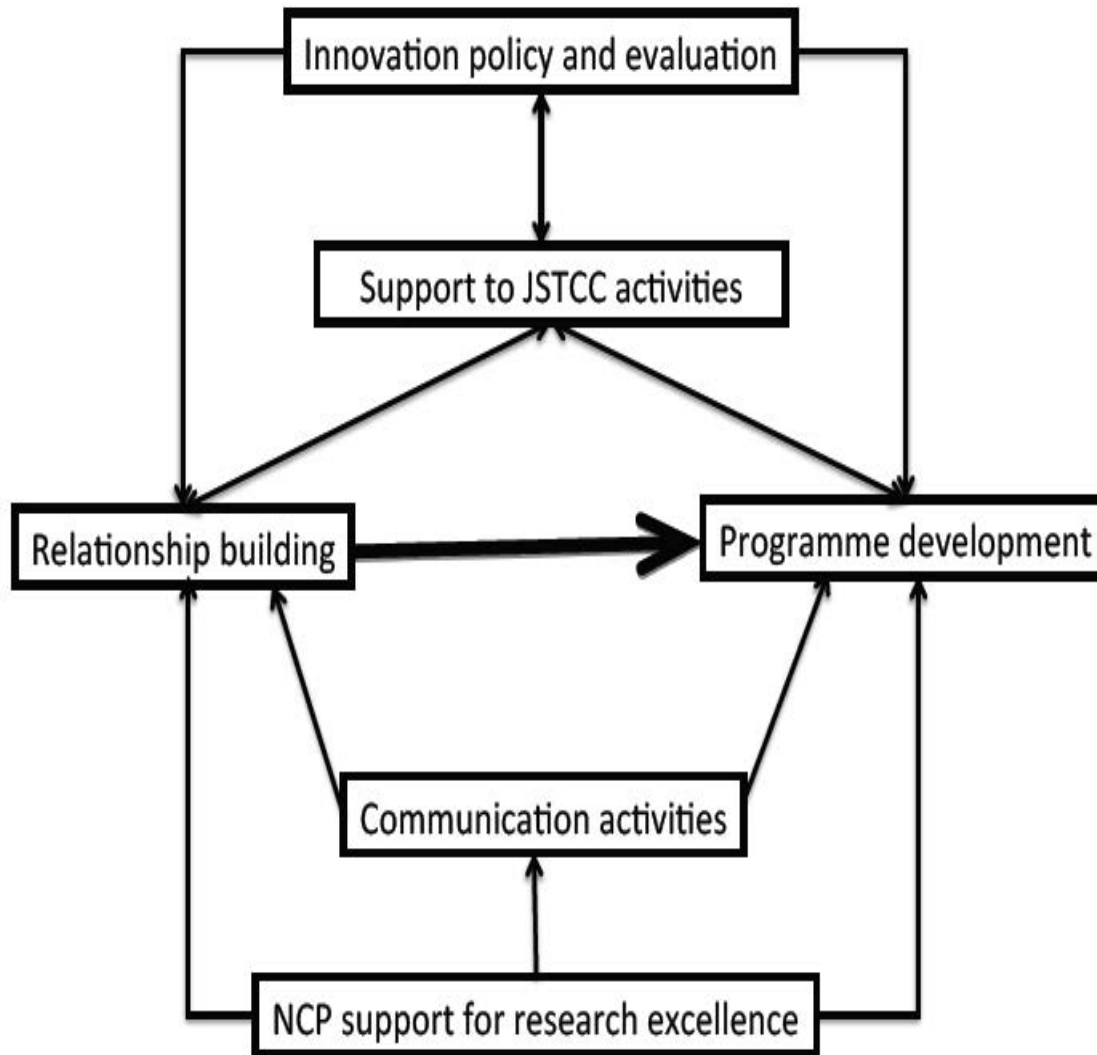
Researchers

FRIENZ

(Facilitating Research and Innovation between Europe and New Zealand)

-  Create new and deeper strategic science and innovation partnerships
-  Develop a greater understanding of the conditions needed to stimulate the engagement of private sector and commercial enterprises in NZ and EU schemes
-  Create closer institutional (research organisation/funder) bilateral collaboration
-  Develop greater awareness among NZ and EU science and innovation communities of opportunities of mutually beneficial research related activities

Project Framework



Support:

- EC EUR1.7 million
- MBIE NZD1.3 million

Support of JSTCC Activities (WP 1)







Lead: MBIE

 Science & Innovation Counsellors

 Sector Contact Points

 Annual update on policy trends

Innovation policy and evaluation (WP 2)

-   Analysis of best practice measures for innovation/
policy approaches Lead: DLR
-   Evaluation framework
-   A review of New Zealand's engagement with FP7

Relationship building (WP 3)

Lead: RSNZ

 Sector Contact Point led study group tours in Europe

 Study group tours for European research managers to New Zealand

 Showcase events in Europe

Programme development (WP 4)

 ERA-Net workshop in Europe




Lead: MBIE

 Structural twinning

 Pilot a programme initiative

 Joint EU liaison centre in New Zealand

NCP support for research excellence (WP 5)

-  Provide National Contact Point (NCP) services Lead: ERSI
-  Training of Sector Contact Points
-  Information days

Communication activities (WP 6)

 FRIENZ Project website

Lead: RSNZ

 Talking heads videos

 FRIENZ Network

 Horizon 2020 launch conference in New Zealand

Project management (WP 7)

Lead: RSNZ

Year 1

- Website, Activity Schedules, Communications Plan, Promotional Material
- JSTCC Meeting, SCPs established, Study Group Tours, ERA-Net Workshop

Year 2

- Horizon2020 Conference Launch, Study Group Tours,
- Report on Barriers to Innovation, Mid Term Project Report, Annual Policy Trends update

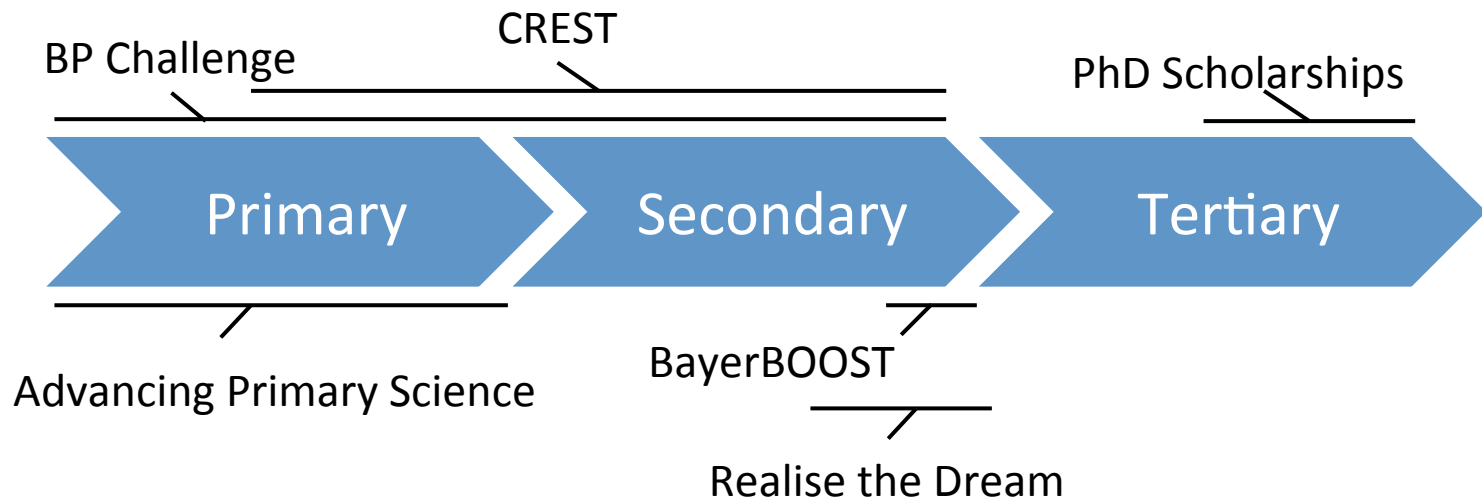
Year 3

- Study Group Tours, Joint Liaison Centre Proposal, Final Project Report
- JSTCC Meeting in New Zealand

What can the Royal Society offer?

Framework of support

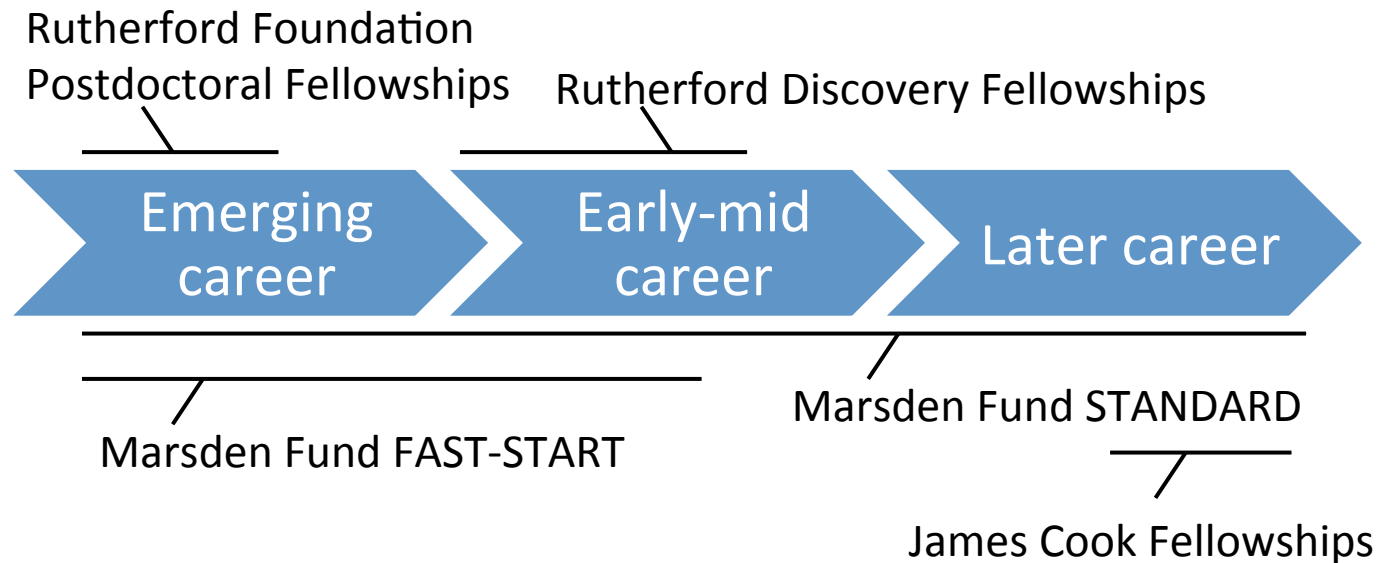
Education



What can the Royal Society offer?

Framework of support

Career Support



What does Marsden support?

Delivers grants for *discrete projects*

Supports *top level research* in science, engineering, maths, social sciences and the humanities

Research at the international *cutting edge*

Supports *new ideas*

Supports *top quality investigators*

The Rutherford Foundation

Background

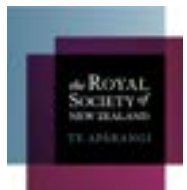


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Established in September 2008

Funding opportunities:

- New Zealand Postdoctoral Fellowships
- Freemasons Roskill Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowship
- PhD Scholarships at the University of Cambridge
- International PhD Scholarship (a grant-in-aid)



Rutherford Discovery Fellowships

- The Rutherford Discovery Fellowships support New Zealand's most talented early- to mid-career researchers.
- The Fellowships will develop and foster the future leaders in the New Zealand research, science and innovation sector.
- This Fellowship scheme also aims to attract top researchers, with international research experience, back to New Zealand.
- Ten prestigious Fellowships of five years in length will be awarded on a competitive basis annually, for research based in a New Zealand host institution.

