Call for Applications

TrustLAB International Research Fellowships

TrustLAB at the DCU Institute for Business & Society is proud to launch a new **International Research Fellowship Scheme** aimed at supporting and recognizing exceptional early- to mid-career researchers (2 to 10 years post-PhD graduation) working on the critical topic of Trust.

Fellowship Objectives

The TrustLAB International Research Fellowship aims to:

- **Recognize** talented early-to mid-career researchers making significant contributions to the topic of trust.
- **Support** high-quality, innovative research in the field of trust.
- **Foster** long-term, collaborative relationships between the Fellow and trustLAB members.

The Award

The successful applicant will receive the following:

- **A Two-Year Appointment** (January 2026-December 2027) as a trustLAB International Research Fellow.
- A total **stipend of €4,000** to support approved travel and approved research activities over the two years.
- Access to the academic network, resources, and multidisciplinary expertise of the trustLAB and the wider [DCU Institute for Business & Society](#). Our work on trust has been published in the Academy of Management Journal, Computers in Human Behavior, Health Services Research, Journal of Management, Journal of Management Studies and Organization Science among others.

Fellowship Commitments

Fellows are required to undertake the following:

- A **minimum of one two-week visit to Dublin** within the first six months of the appointment to engage with TrustLAB faculty and contribute to the research activities of trustLAB. This visit will include the delivery of a research seminar and the hosting of a workshop designed to explore collaboration opportunities.
- Actively participate in collaborative research activities during the two-year appointment, including:
    - Regular attendance at online trustLAB meetings (1 hr every 6 weeks).

- ○ 6-monthly fellowship review meetings with the trustLAB lead.
- ○ Submission of at least 1 conference and 1 journal paper with trustLAB coauthors during fellowship tenure.

Eligibility and Application Process

We welcome applications from **early- to mid-career researchers** (2 to 10 years post-PhD graduation) with a demonstrated commitment to the field of trust research.

Application Deadline: December 1, 2025

Applicants must submit an **application (max 2 pages)** to the trustLAB. This document must include:

1. Name and Current Position (Affiliation, Title).
2. Link to your Google Scholar or ORCID page.
3. A brief overview of research papers in progress.
4. A brief summary of your contribution to the field of trust research (to date).
5. An overview of the general research area and/or projects you wish to pursue during the period of the fellowship.
6. An overview of how you would like to collaborate with trustLAB researchers and how you would contribute to trustLAB during the period of the fellowship.

Inquiries and Submission

Please contact lisa.vanderwerff@dcu.ie or niamh.daly@dcu.ie for application submission and inquiries.