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The University of Strasbourg Institute for Advanced Study (USIAS) was created in 2012 as a flagship project of the Excellence Initiative (IdEx) of the University of Strasbourg, within the national strategy for Investments in the Future (*Investissements d'avenir*) of France.

USIAS supports innovative fundamental research in all scientific fields. By offering researchers the opportunity to explore new directions in their research, USIAS aims to stimulate and reward exceptional level of effort, risk and intellectual ambition. As part of its mission, USIAS aims to attract talented researchers from all over the world to Strasbourg, providing them with the opportunity to work on special projects in a high-quality environment.

## Mission

- To provide opportunities for excellent researchers to explore new ideas and approaches
- To encourage intellectual innovation at the intersection of disciplines, enabling new fields of knowledge to emerge
- To increase the visibility of outstanding research in Strasbourg
- To share knowledge with society at large



## Research Fellowships

Each year, the Institute awards about 15-20 Fellowships for a period of between three months and two years, to enable the pursuit of original, innovative research projects.

USIAS provides Fellows with the working conditions and the academic environment necessary for the successful completion of their project, including the operating costs for research, seminars, travel and publications. USIAS Fellows are selected through an annual call for proposals using international peer review. The selection is based on the originality and quality of the proposed research, in terms of subject, methodology, perspective and ambition.

## Chairs

USIAS has twelve permanent Chairs in all domains, which are held by eminent scholars from Strasbourg. In addition, USIAS awards two associate Chairs for a period of up to two years to top scholars from outside of Strasbourg who wish to work on our campus.

## Short visits

USIAS provides the opportunity for scholars to visit Strasbourg (on invitation) for short periods of up to three months, to interact with the Strasbourg academic community.

## Seminars

In monthly seminars, USIAS Fellows present their research to the other Fellows, many of whom are in different domains. In these seminars, basic and often implicit assumptions and choices in research emerge in a discussion with fresh perspectives.

## Annual Symposium

Each year, USIAS organises a symposium featuring one or two eminent keynote speakers who share their scientific knowledge on a thought-provoking theme with a general audience.

## Lectures, workshops and conferences

Invited high-level speakers present and discuss the most recent developments in their fields and highlight emerging new topics and themes.

