

## CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

### **Postgraduate School of Thinking VUB, 2023/2024 OSB-funded scholarships for VUB students and researchers**

The [Postgraduate School of Thinking VUB](#) and [De Oudstudentenbond VUB](#) are pleased to announce a maximum of 5 scholarships of **4 490 Euro** each, to cover tuition fees for a maximum of 5 VUB students or researchers<sup>1</sup> in the of the School of Thinking in the academic year 2022/2023 (year Epsilon). This opportunity is open to the current VUB students and researchers who are pursuing an academic study on topics requiring an inter- or transdisciplinary approach (so called 'wicked problems' in contemporary society), related to the topics addressed in the SoT curriculum.

#### Requirements

- **VUB student or researcher.** To qualify, you must have an active status of a Ma, MSc or PhD student at the VUB, or be a researcher employed by the VUB.
- **English proficiency.** Fluent English is required and is subject of self-assessment of the applicant. A declaration of language competence, but no formal proof of linguistic competence, will be required for admission.

#### Applications

To apply for the scholarship, please send the following documents by e-mail to [sot@vub.be](mailto:sot@vub.be) **no later than August 15, 2023 (23:59):**

- **Application letter:** An (e-mail) letter, acknowledged by the applicant's research advisor, in which the applicant provides the reasons for applying, explains their expectations, gives a short account of their academic and professional background, and provides a self-assessment of their English language proficiency.
- **A Curriculum Vitae** that details academic, professional, and personal experience.

#### Selection of applications:

Selection of the scholarship holders will be made before September 1, 2022, based on the quality of the applications. The selection will be made by an Admissions Committee composed of: Dr. Karin Verelst (committee chair), Dr. Marta Lenartowicz (SoT instructor), Dr. Maciej Swiezy (SoT Program Director), Mr. Jan De Groote (president OSB), Geert Royemans (former president OSB), and Prof. dr. Francis Heylighen (director of the Center Leo Apostel VUB).

For informal inquiries on the Scholarships, contact Karin Verelst ([kverelst@vub.ac.be](mailto:kverelst@vub.ac.be)). For informal inquiries about the SoT-program, contact Maciej Swiezy ([Maciej.Swiezy@vub.be](mailto:Maciej.Swiezy@vub.be)).

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<sup>1</sup> The number of available places (a minimum of 1 and a maximum of 5) will depend on the number of regular subscriptions, given that the total number of participants is fixed in order to warrant the didactical quality of the program. Incoming applications will therefore be ranked 1 – 5.