

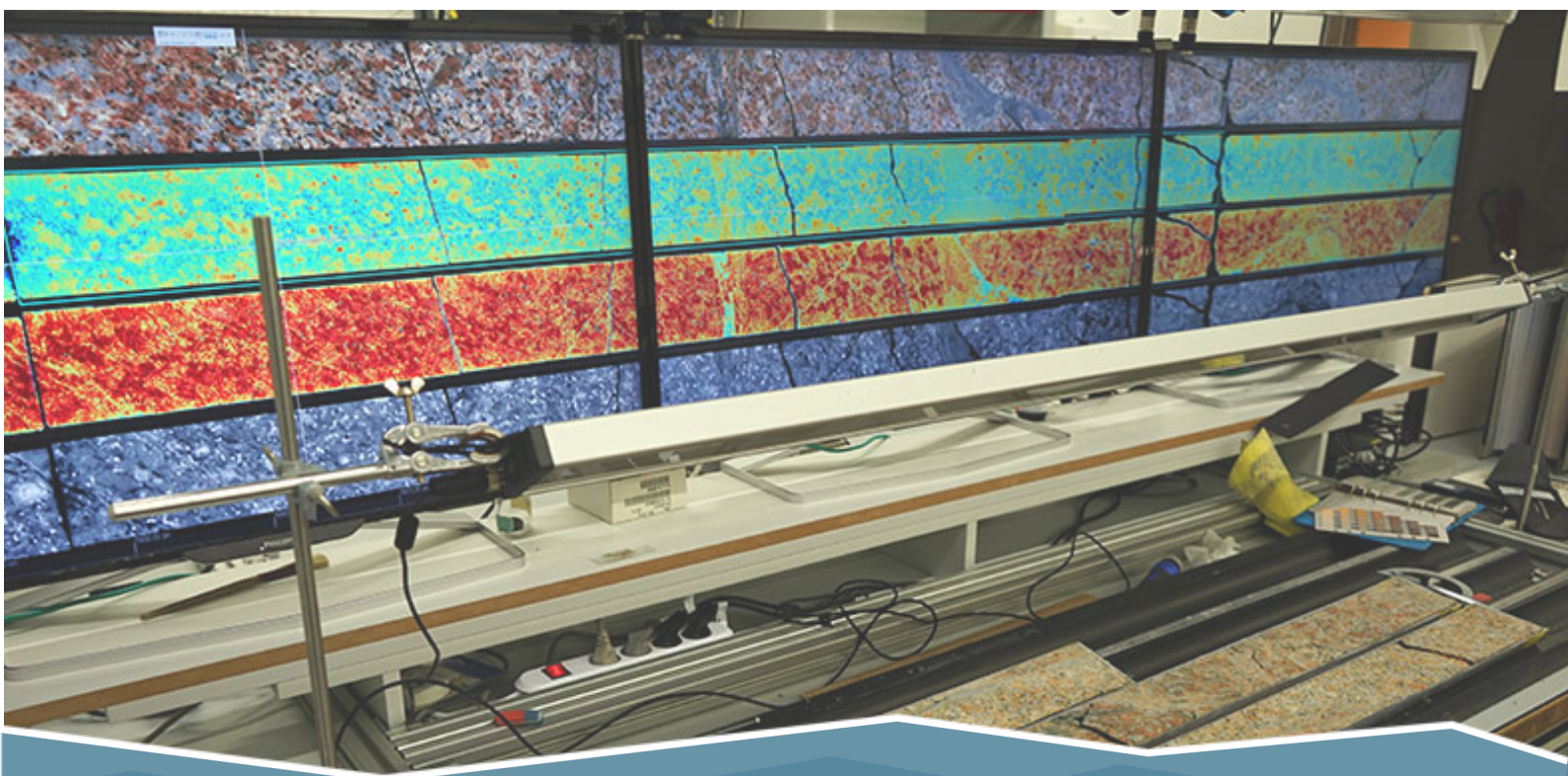


CALL FOR APPLICATIONS



Science Support
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**RESEARCH
GRANTS**



**INTERNATIONAL
OCEAN DRILLING
PROGRAMME**

DEADLINE 31 DECEMBER 2025

RESEARCH GRANTS 2026

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The **European Consortium for Ocean Research Drilling (ECORD)** is sponsoring merit-based awards for outstanding young scientists to conduct innovative research related to the **International Ocean Drilling Programme IODP³**. The research may be directed toward the objectives of completed **DSDP/ODP/IODP** expeditions. The research should utilise available core material and/or data from DSDP/ODP/IODP expeditions. The **ECORD Grants** will cover travel and lab expenses or other approved costs related to the study.

Studies should be conducted in a laboratory/institution other than the applicant's home Institution, and involve mobility to promote new collaborations and/or the acquisition of new scientific expertise. **Grant budgets must not exceed 4000 €.**

Applicants should be enrolled in either a PhD programme or hold a post-doctoral research position at an institution within an ECORD country. (Equivalent the European Framework for Research Careers (R1&R2) <https://euraxess.ec.europa.eu/career-development/researchers>)

Applications should take the form of a mini-proposal, detailing the aims of the study and relevance to IODP³, the availability of material and/or data to be worked on, the project partnership and estimated costs. Applications can be strengthened by including the benefits of the proposed study to current work and why the proposed institution is the most appropriate place to carry out the planned study. A final report, including details of the final expenditure, must be completed within **12 months** of the grant being awarded.

The deadline to apply for an ECORD Research Grant is 31 December 2025.

Please email the following documents to the ESSAC Office (essac@ogs.it):

- (1) your application, including a detailed mini-proposal (max. 5 pages) with a detailed budget plan;
- (2) a letter of support from the host institution;
- (3) a CV and
- (4) a letter of support from the main supervisor (PhD students) or home institution (post-doctoral researchers).

Applications will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

- (1) Mini-proposal (40%) + Budget plan (10%); (2) CV (30%); and (3) Letters of Support (20%).

The applications will be reviewed by ESSAC, and the decisions will be communicated until end of February 2026

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