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Participants: Biographical Notes



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Starting in 2013 Viktoria is working as the EURAXESS¹ Links Regional Representative for North America (USA and Canada), informing the community of European and non-European scientists of any nationality and research field based in North America (approx. 4700 members) about the funding and career opportunities within the European Research

Area (ERA). She is also their first contact point before their move to Europe.

Born in Slovakia, Viktoria Bodnarova graduated from the Metropolitan University in Prague, Czech Republic in 2008 having completed a Master's degree in International Relations and European studies. Apart from Slovakia and the Czech Republic, she has spent part of her student life in the UK, France, the USA and Canada. Right after her studies she started working at the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic as a project manager and a national coordinator of the Czech EURAXESS Network.

During 5 years (2008-2013) of working there, her main responsibilities were setting up a national network, administering national as well as European projects, communicating with national authorities regarding international mobility and providing practical support to researchers and their family members moving to the Czech Republic. She was a national expert in the Working Group for Human Resources and Mobility, EURAXESS Network Management Working Group and for the questions of Long Term Permit for the Purpose of Scientific Research.

Viktoria has participated as a speaker in several European and non-European events dealing with international mobility, funding opportunities in Europe, career development of researchers and entry conditions for third country national researchers.



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Dr. Olaf Heilmayer has been working for more than 10 years as Marine Biologist working at research institutions in Germany, USA and the UK and published 40 studies in international scientific journals before joining DLR in 2008. Since 2010 he is Head of Unit for Multilateral Cooperation and Monitoring in the Department for European and International Cooperation. He supports the BMBF providing strategic and operational assistance with respect to the international dimension of the ERA. His unit also oversees and coordinates the 50 EU-funded Coordination and Support projects of the Department. He was managing coordinator of the INCO-DEV FP6 project (SENSOR) and actively involved as work package leader in the implementation of a variety of International Cooperation projects within FP6 and FP7, mainly focusing on North and Latin America. At the moment he is coordinator of the BILAT USA 2.0 project. The project aims to Enhancement and Development of S&T Partnerships between the European Union and the United States of America.