



The International  
Human Frontier Science Program  
Organization

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**LT000920/2020-C**

Strasbourg, 26 March 2020

Dear Melissa,

I am very pleased to inform you that the Board of Trustees of the International Human Frontier Science Program Organization has awarded you a three-year postdoctoral HFSP fellowship for your project entitled *“Investigating the role of non-equilibrium pathways to liquid-liquid phase separation in vitro”* to be held at the

**Martin A. Fisher School of Physics, Brandeis University, Waltham, USA**

under the supervision of **DUCLOS Guillaume and ROGERS Benjamin.**

HFSP funds frontier research on the complex mechanisms of living organisms, with a focus on the support of early career scientists. The postdoctoral fellowships program is designed to support scientists who take on the challenge of broadening their expertise and expanding their international network of collaborators.

You are in the top 12% of applicants to the program, which is a significant accomplishment in an international competition with a rigorous selection process.

The attached notification form should be emailed to us before the end of April to let us know whether you accept or decline the award. Please note that the fellowship allowances have recently been adjusted. The revised allowances are available in the attached post-award guidelines which contain further information on the financial and administrative procedures for the award.

Yours sincerely,

Prof. Warwick Anderson  
Secretary-General

Please complete the form below and email it to [fellow@hfsp.org](mailto:fellow@hfsp.org) before 30 April 2020.

I, **RINALDIN Melissa (LT000920/2020-C)** confirm that:

**I do not accept the HFSP Fellowship**

**I accept the HFSP Fellowship**

I intend to start my fellowship on \* ..... (dd/mm/yyyy)

*EARLIEST START DATE: APRIL 1, 2020. NO LATER THAN JANUARY 1, 2021*

I have been working at the host institute since ..... (dd/mm/yyyy)

I have not yet joined the host institute.

Date Ph.D. awarded (or anticipated) \*\* ..... (dd/mm/yyyy)

Are you married or in another legal partnership?  YES  NO

If yes, is/was your spouse/partner an HFSP fellow?  YES  NO

Do you have dependent children?  YES  NO

If yes, number: \_\_\_\_\_

date(s) of birth: .....

monthly child allowance expected from other sources during fellowship

(currency, amount): .....

Will you be requesting a relocation allowance? \*\*\*  YES  NO

Will your spouse/children (if any) accompany you to the host country?  YES  NO

Fellow's email: .....

Full name, position and email of host institution administrative official (mandatory):

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\* According to our guidelines, a fellow must have been working for less than 12 months in the host institution/host country at the start of the fellowship (for example, for an arrival at the host institution on June 1, 2019, the latest possible start date will be June 1, 2020).

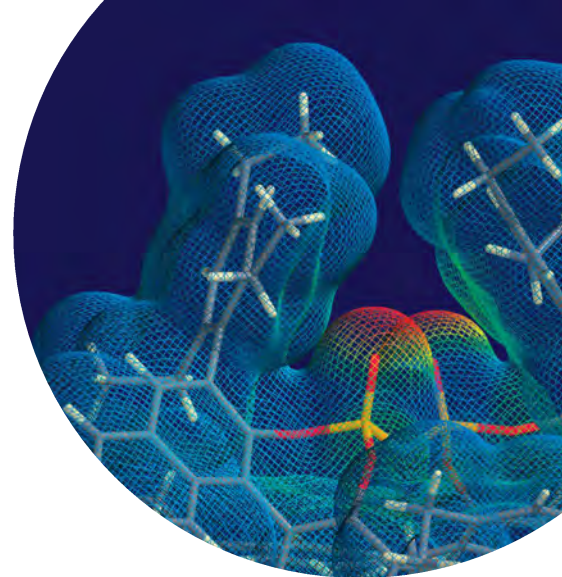
\*\* Please note that the Ph.D. must have been conferred before the start of the fellowship. An official document will be requested.

\*\*\* The relocation allowance is only paid to the fellow if he/she has been in the host country for less than three months at the start of the fellowship.

**Current location:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ **Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(dd / mm / yy)



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NOBEL LAUREATE  
MEETINGS



## Certificate of Attendance

**Melissa Rinaldin**

qualified in a global multi-step selection process to  
participate in the

**71st Lindau Nobel Laureate Meeting**

Lindau, 26 June – 1 July 2022

**Council for the Lindau Nobel Laureate Meetings**

Countess Bettina Bernadotte

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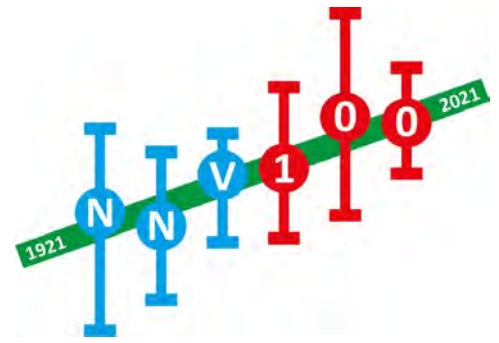
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Amsterdam, 16 april 2021

Beste Melissa,

Namens de NNV wil ik je van harte gelukwensen met het winnen van de tweede prijs bij de NTvN-prijsvraag 2021.

Na inzending van onderstaand strookje wordt het bedrag van € 750,- behorende bij deze prijs op je rekening bijgeschreven.

Met vriendelijke groet,

Noortje de Graaf  
directeur

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Ik, ondergetekende:

naam: .....

adres: .....

postcode: ..... plaats: .....

land: .....

accepteer de aan mij toegekende NTvN-prijs 2021.

Ik verzoek het bedrag van € 750,- over te maken op

IBAN: .....

t.n.v. .... te .....

Datum:

Handtekening:

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**21 December 2021**

**EMBO ALTF 597-2021**

Dear Dr. Rinaldin

I am pleased to inform you that the Fellowship Committee has decided to offer you a two-year EMBO Postdoctoral Fellowship.

The Host Institution specified in your application will receive the funds to finance your employment contract for 12 months: 84,000.00 EURO.

The earliest possible starting date for your fellowship is 1 January 2022. The fellowship must be started within one calendar year from the relevant closing date for applications, i.e. by 15 August 2022.

The fellowship is awarded for 24 months; conditional on receipt of an extension request from your host supervisor after the first year. The above grant rate applies to the first 12 months only. Upon receipt of an informal letter or email from your host supervisor requesting the extension of your fellowship we will set up the payments for the second year. It is your responsibility to ensure that this letter/email is sent to EMBO between nine months after the start of the fellowship and six weeks before the end of your first year.

Please, read the information provided in the award documents and contact [fellowships@embo.org](mailto:fellowships@embo.org) in case you have any further questions.

Once again, congratulations on your successful application, and we wish you all the best in your research.

Yours sincerely,



Kelly Sheehan-Rooney

# MAX-PLANCK-INSTITUT FÜR PHYSIK KOMPLEXER SYSTEME

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November 1, 2023

Dear Dr. Rinaldin,

your workshop proposal has been positively evaluated by our committee. We are pleased to inform you that the Max Planck Institute for the Physics of Complex Systems is able to host the workshop "Interdisciplinary challenges in non-equilibrium physics: from soft to active, biological and complex matter" from 22 - 26 April 2024.

The workshop will be organized by the Max Planck Institute under your scientific coordination. The Max Planck Institute will arrange for accommodation, lodging and meals for up to 100 participants (maximum 600 persondays) and cover the associated costs. The institute will cover travel costs for speakers and participants up to a maximum of 12000 €. All financial commitments to the participants will be made in writing by the institute. A registration fee of 200 € should be charged to all participants to cover extra costs (excursion, conference dinner, coffee breaks).

The local organizer will contact you in time in order to prepare the announcement, website, e-mail account etc. with you.

Please also pay attention to the enclosed information sheets.

You can find an overview of all upcoming seminars and workshops under:  
<http://www.pks.mpg.de/events>

We are looking forward to a successful co-operation with you.

Yours sincerely,



Michael Genkin  
Head of the Visitors Program

cc: X. Chen, A. Sciortino

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October 27, 2023

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The travel support for the scientific coordinators does not have to be covered from the workshop budget. If you are unable to obtain travel funding from other sources, please contact us as soon as possible, and prior to booking, for travel support (economy fare).

We will be happy to invite you as the organizing team to stay at our institute for about a week before and/or after the workshop, in order to e.g. channel the final organization and/or focus on the output directly on site. Please let us know whether you would like to make use of this option and if so, you are welcome to suggest tentative dates for your stay. We would of course cover the associated local costs.

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# FALLING WALLS LAB BERLIN-ADLERSHOF

## CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION

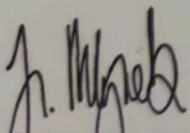
*We hereby proudly certify that*

Dr. Melissa Rinaldin

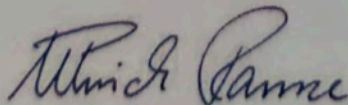
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*participated in Falling Walls Lab Berlin-Adlershof on 21 September 2023.*

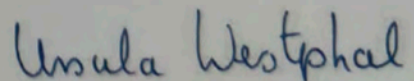
**Falling Walls Lab** is a world-class pitch competition that brings together a diverse and interdisciplinary pool of students and early-career professionals to, in three minutes each, present their solutions to some of the most pressing challenges of our time to peers, a high-calibre jury of experts from academic and business, and the general public.



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Forschungseinrichtungen in Adlershof e. V. (IGAFa)





# CERTIFICATE

Dr. Melissa Rinaldin

Max-Planck-Institut für molekulare Zellbiologie  
und Genetik, Dresden

successfully participated in the

## Sign Up! Careerbuilding Program - For Leadership -

run jointly by „Max Planck Society“ and „EAF Berlin. Diversity in Leadership“.

Over a period of twelve months (January – December 2023) and in four seminar modules she successfully completed all components of the program (including personal skill trainings and information on scientific career building). Discussion with top-scientists and alumnae of the program gave the participants first-hand insights about the opportunities and challenges lying ahead:

- **Dream job professor I – my vocational skills**  
Academic profile and application strategies
- **Leadership & communication in academia**  
Leadership roles, conflict management and strategies
- **Leadership presence**  
Presentation and performance skills
- **Dream job professor II – leadership application**  
Structure of appointment procedures and negotiation training.

Andrea Krönke  
EAF Berlin. Diversity in Leadership

Dr. Martina Roßmayer  
Max-Planck-Gesellschaft  
Human Resources Development & Opportunities



## *Nakatani Foundation Award*

*This is awarded to  
Melissa Rinaldin  
for the paper entitled  
Robust cytoplasmic partitioning  
by resolving an intrinsic  
cytoskeletal instability*

*presented at the 21st IUPAB  
Congress 2024 jointly held with  
the 62nd Annual Meeting of  
the Biophysical Society of Japan,  
held in Kyoto, Japan  
from 24 to 28 June 2024.*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nobuhiro Matsumori".

*Nobuhiro Matsumori*

*Secretary General,  
Nakatani Foundation*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Hiroyuki Noji".

*Hiroyuki Noji, Ph.D*

*Chair of the organizing committee  
of the 21st IUPAB Congress 2024*