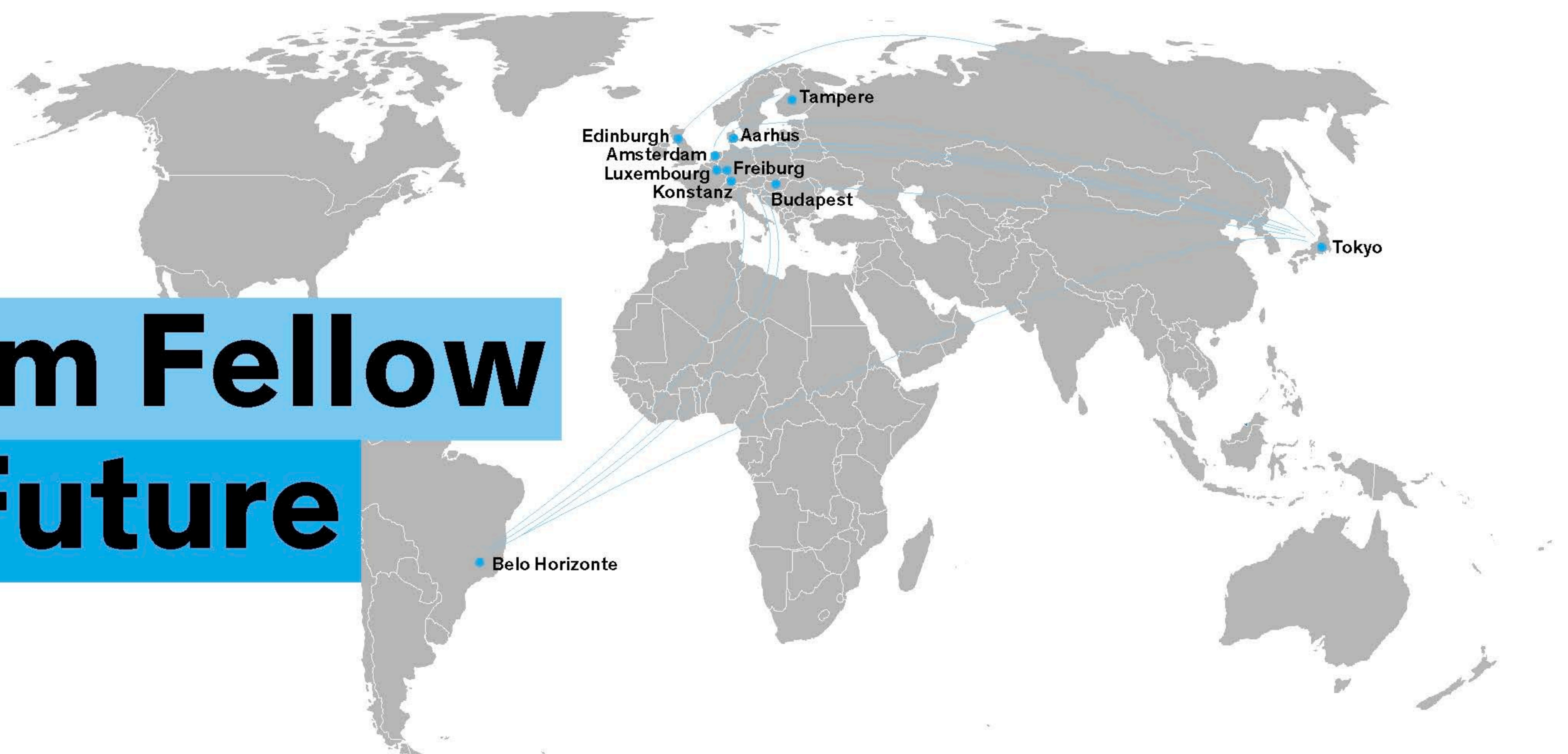


From Fellow to Future



UBIAS Working Group ECR Talk Series 2026

The UBIAS seminar series consists of short curated conversations offering twin perspectives on early-career research at Institutes for Advanced Study globally: „ECR Individual Success“ and „Institutional Growth“.

Thursday 21 May 2026

15:00–15:30 BST/16:00–16:30 CET

Talk 1: Recruitment & Onboarding

A short seminar discussing how Institutes of Advanced Study (IAS) advertise and select Fellows, and how they are welcomed into a new research community on arrival.

By IASH Edinburgh, United Kingdom

Speakers:

- Ben Fletcher-Watson (Deputy Director, Institute for Advanced Studies in the Humanities (IASH) at the University of Edinburgh, UK)
- Anthea Moys (British Council 90th Anniversary Fellow at IASH, 2025)

Monday, 8 June 2026

14:00–14:30 CET

Talk 2: Mentorship

Since its foundation, the Tampere IAS has made substantial investments in supporting the career development of early-career researchers (ECRs). At the heart of these efforts is a mentoring programme that pairs each ECR fellow with a hand-picked senior mentor. The programme is designed to help researchers reflect on their long-term career trajectories and to cultivate a distinctive academic identity. In the presentation, the IAS Director discusses the thinking behind the programme and its key features, followed by a post-doctoral fellow who reflects on their own mentoring experience.

By IAS Tampere, Finland

Speakers:

- Juha Teperi, Director, IAS Tampere, Finland
- Tahani Al-Dahdouh, Postdoctoral Fellow, IAS Tampere, Finland

Wednesday, 16 September 2026

13:00–13:30 CET

Talk 3: Research & Interdisciplinarity

This short seminar will discuss how IAS CEU supports the research activities of early career scholars, with particular attention to interdisciplinary collaborations involving other fellows and university faculty.

by CEU Budapest

Speakers:

- Balázs Trencsényi, Director, IAS CEU, Budapest, ECR fellow (TBC)

Monday, 5 October 2026

17:00–17:30 CET

Talk 4: Career Development

The short seminar will share and discuss how Institutes of Advanced Study (IAS) support the career development of Early Career Researchers particularly after their PhD (R2-3 European Framework for Research Careers).

by FRIAS Freiburg

Speakers:

- Ralf von den Hoff, Director, Freiburg Institute for Advanced Studies FRIAS
- Philipp Höfele, Early Career Fellow, Freiburg Institute for Advanced Studies FRIAS – Young Academy for Sustainability Research

Wednesday, 25 November 2026

16:30–17:00 CET

Talk 5: Peer-to-Peer Network

The short seminar will discuss how AIAS actively creates frameworks and formats that support peer-to-peer networks and cohort-building through structured activities such as research feedback sessions, interdisciplinary exchanges, and collaborative initiatives like writing and discussion groups. Particular attention will be given to how these cross-disciplinary and cross-faculty formats strengthen engagement among ECRs, cultivate and foster a shared sense of community

and belonging, and enable lasting networks of mutual support and collaboration across the university.

by AIAS Aarhus Institute for Advanced Studies

Speakers:

- Andreas Roeppsdorff, Director, Aarhus IAS
- Malene Friis Hansen, AIAS-AUFF Fellow

Friday, 11 December 2026

08:00 am (BR Time/12:00 CET)

Talk 6: Alumni & Network asset Building

In the ECR talk series, we will present the outcomes of Intercontinental Academia (ICA 5), a UBIAS event in which IEAT-UFGM will participate in June 2026. It is an opportunity for very promising researchers from all over the world to engage at the highest scientific level with topics of fundamental relevance. Promoting scientific exchange across generations, disciplines, cultures, and continents, The Intercontinental Academia (ICA) is guided by senior scientists of regional and international recognition associated with the organising IAS. With contributions from leading scientific advisors, they design the overall program, invite mentors, select fellows, and coordinate activities. In our talk „Alumni & Network Asset Building“, we will discuss why this initiative has been important for building networks, with an emphasis on supporting early-career researchers and on investing particularly in young scientists aged 30 to 40 from different areas of knowledge to engage in interdisciplinary collaborative study.

By IEAT Belo Horizonte

Speakers:

- Patricia Kauark, IEAT Director
- Rita Velloso, IEAT Board member
- Anna Coli, postdoctoral researcher, Institute for Transdisciplinary Advanced Studies (IEAT) at the Federal University of Minas Gerais, BR

