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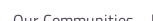
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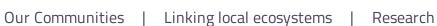
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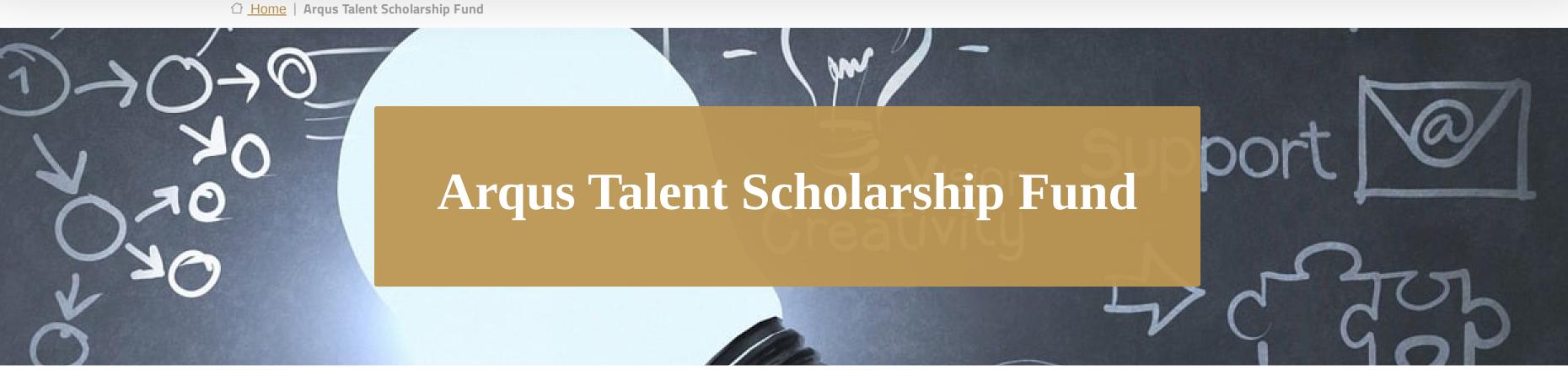
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# **About**

The **Arqus Talent Scholarship** is a **Scholarship Scheme** designed to attract and retain talent at postgraduate level from around the world.

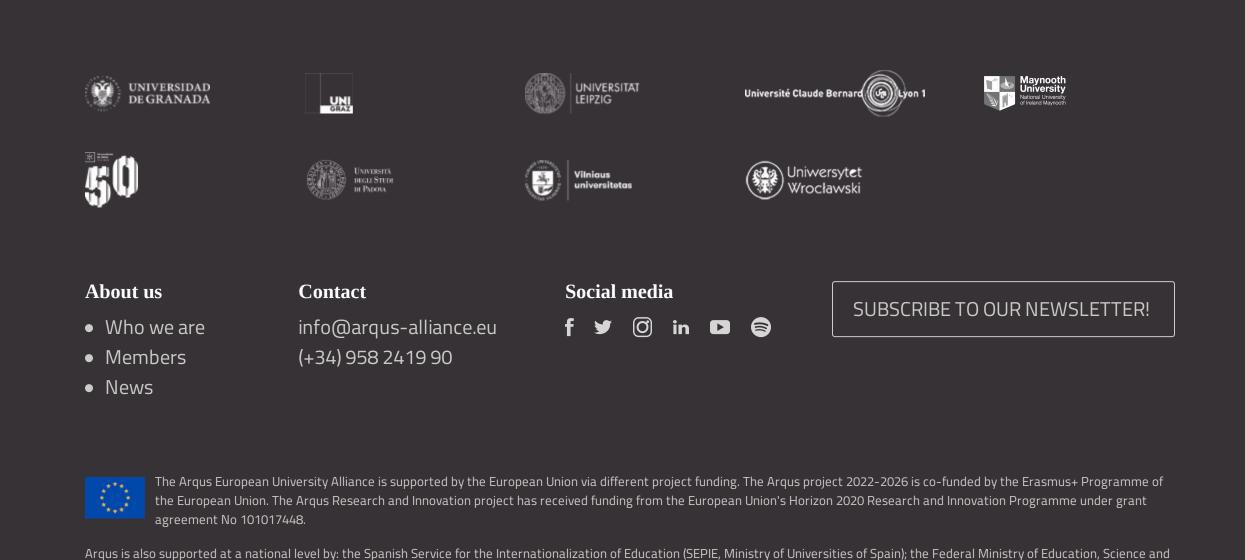
We are looking for talented graduates and students who want to **pursue a Master's or Doctoral Degree** at one of the Arqus partner universities (Granada, Graz, Leipzig, Lyon 1, Maynooth, Minho, Padua, Vilnius and Wroclaw) including a compulsory mobility at a second Arqus partner.

The scholarship is composed of a **subsistence allowance of 1,400.00€/month** to cover the student's living costs, medical insurance and a materials allowance.

In addition, the Arqus Talent Scholarship **will cover the tuition fee** at the student's entrance university.

The Argus European University Alliance would also like to support students with fewer opportunities under this scholarship scheme by providing a special needs fund of 250€/month.

Priority will be given to refugees/asylum seekers, students with fewer opportunities and applicants with a Bachelor's or Master's degree not obtained at the Arqus university where they will undertake the Master's or doctoral studies or where they are currently enrolled.



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The scholarship is composed as follows:

- Subsistence allowance to cover the living costs, medical insurance and a materials allowance: 1,400.00€/month
- Coverage of tuition fees at the student's entrance university for the duration of the scholarship
- Special needs fund: 250€/month

**Students with fewer opportunities** will receive a special needs fund (250€/month) in addition to the scholarship of 1,400.00€/month if one of the following criteria applies:

- Refugees/asylum seekers (with the respective status)
- Students with caring responsibilities (of children between 0-18; you need to provide the birth certificate of your child) (or of parents/family members with certified disabilities/impairments; you need to provide a confirmation that you are the carer)
- Students with disabilities and learning disabilities (if you have a disability pass)
- Students with chronic diseases (medical confirmation)

Please note that applicants who already receive a state scholarship can also apply and will not be excluded, provided they meet the admission requirements. However, they are requested to indicate the source of the state funding in their application. Arqus scholarships **CANNOT be combined with other EU-funded scholarships**.

The scholarship will be paid throughout the student's studies with the following **maximum duration** but not beyond the end of the funding period of this scholarship scheme, which is 30.09.2026:

- Master students: according to the regular duration of the chosen Master's programme (maximum 12, 18 or 24 months)
- Doctoral students: maximum 36 months.

The start of the scholarship is **dependent** on admission to the degree programme.

Students selected for this Arqus Talent Scholarship must complete a compulsory mobility at a second Arqus partner university. The mobility can take the form of a:

- Study period
- Training
- Research stay

The minimum duration of the mobility is 1 month. The maximum duration depends on the regulations of the respective entrance university.

The Arqus European University Alliance encourages applicants for multiple and longer stays. Applicants who plan multiple and/or longer stays in their studies will be given priority in the selection process.

Successful applicants will also be required to participate actively in Arqus activities and act as Arqus Ambassadors within their two Arqus universities.

Please note that there will be one payment/semester. The second and further payments are dependent on the confirmation of enrolment and your academic performance (transcript of records) as a Master's student and your progress as doctoral students (progress report confirmed by your supervisor).

The tuition fees will be paid/reimbursed directly to you. You will need to present the payment

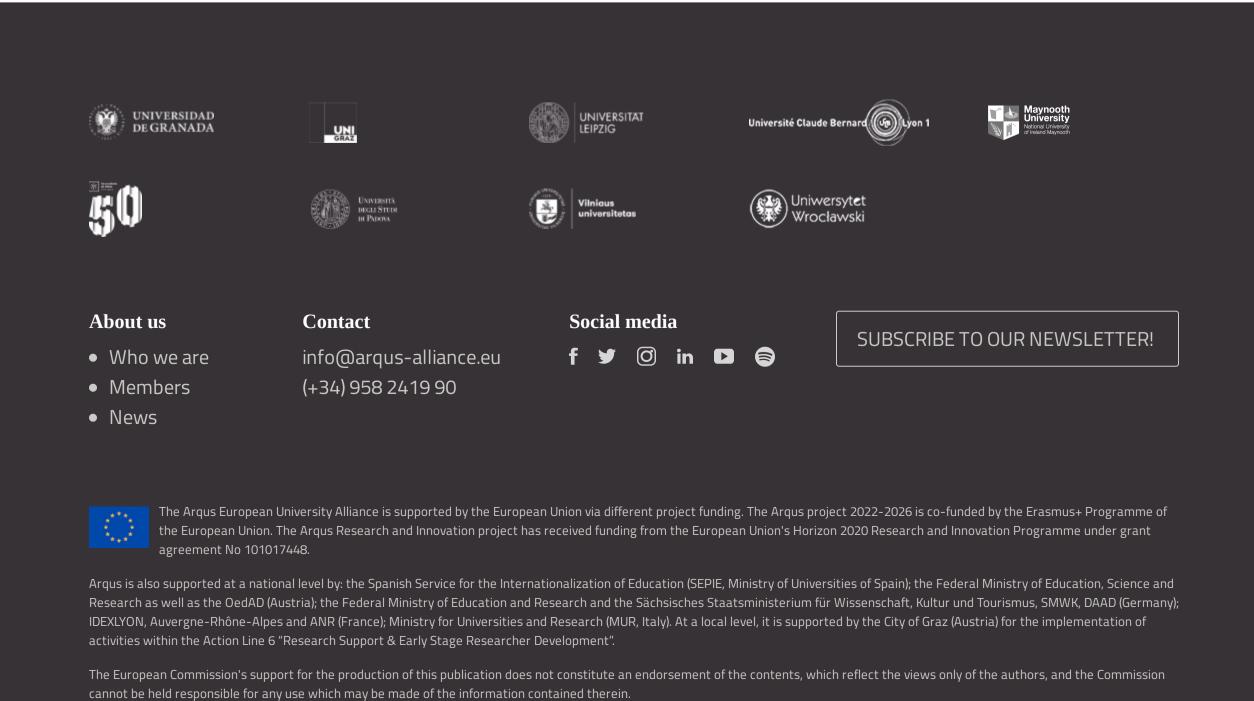
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All selected students must sign a **Grant Agreement** that regulates the special conditions of the Arqus

A template of the Grant Agreement can be downloaded here.



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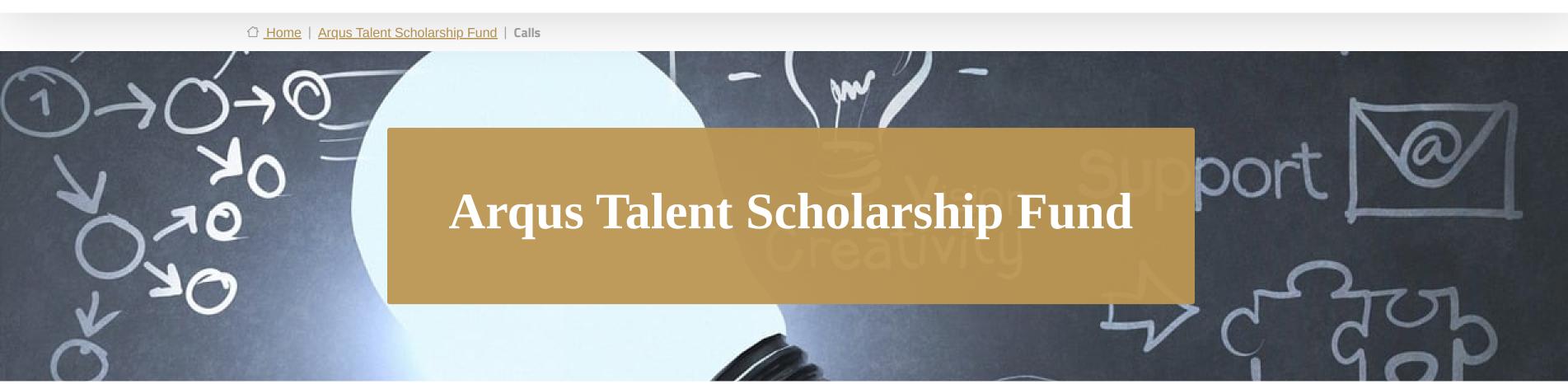
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The **first call**, which is aimed at **doctoral students only**, will run from the end of March 2023 to the end of May 2023. For this call, **9 Arqus Talent Scholarships** will be awarded – one per Arqus partner university.

The **second call**, which is **only open to Master's students**, will run from early May 2023 to early July 2023. For this second call, **9 Arqus Talent Scholarships** will be awarded – one per Arqus partner university.

A **third and final call** for Master's students only will be published in **spring 2024**.





















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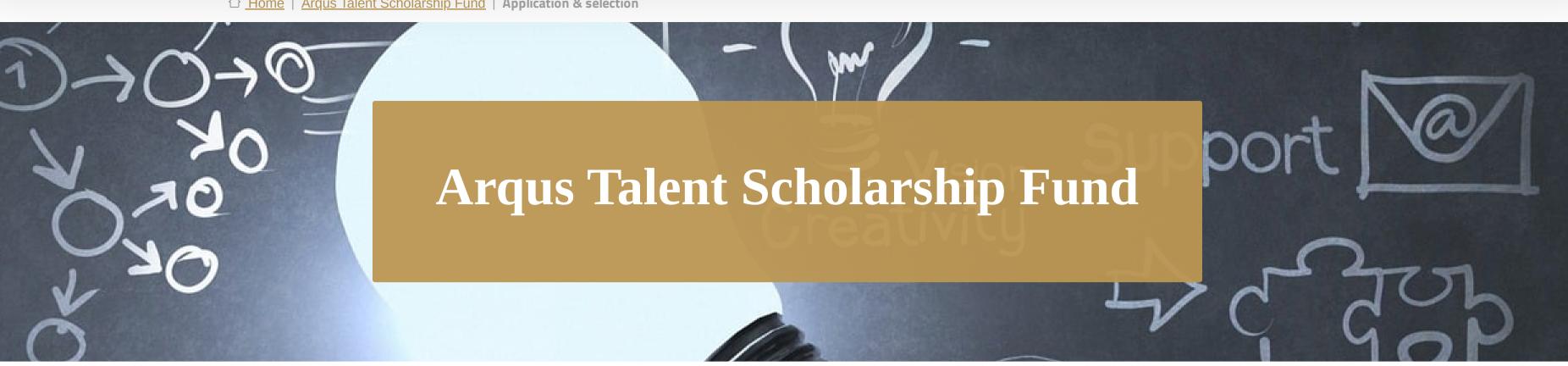
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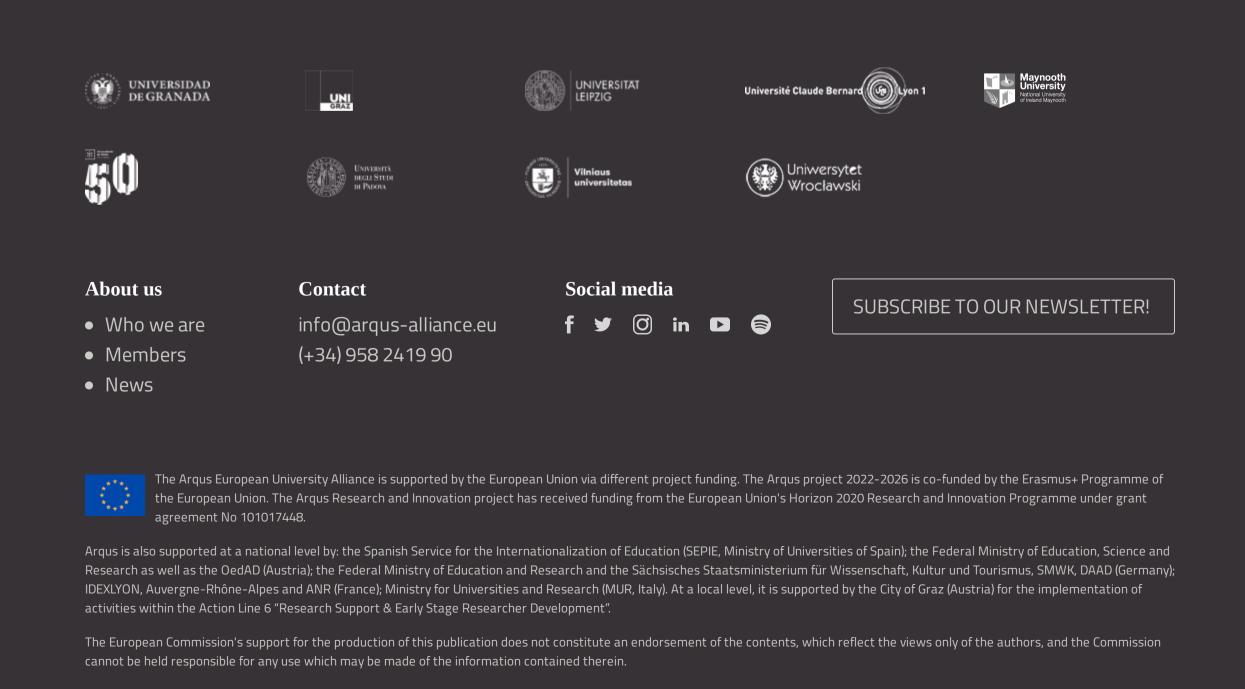
In the following, you will find more information about the application and selection procedure.

The first call, **aimed at doctoral students only**, is open from 31 March 2023 to 31 May 2023 **(23:59** CEST).

The second call, aimed at Master's students only, is open from 3 May 2023 to 3 July 2023 (23:59 CEST).

Link to the online application platform: <a href="https://jointdegree.biobs.com">https://jointdegree.biobs.com</a>





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The Selection Committee of the Arqus Talent Scholarship Fund has made public the results of the following Calls according to the official selection criteria:

### First Call 2023 (31/03/2023). PhD Students

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### Second Call 2023 (03/05/2023). Masters Students

- Results will be published by the end of July 2023
- Access to the Call

























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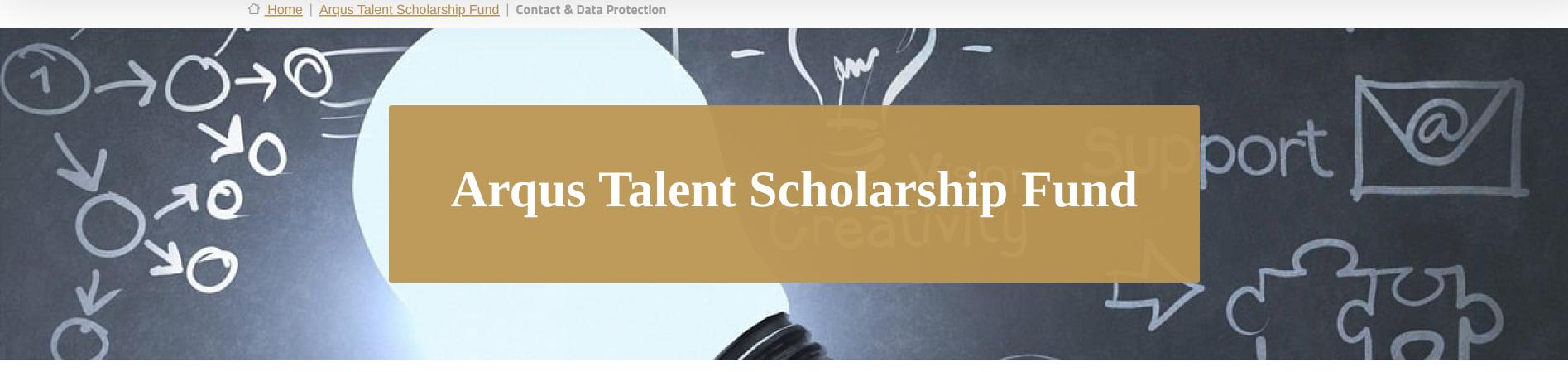
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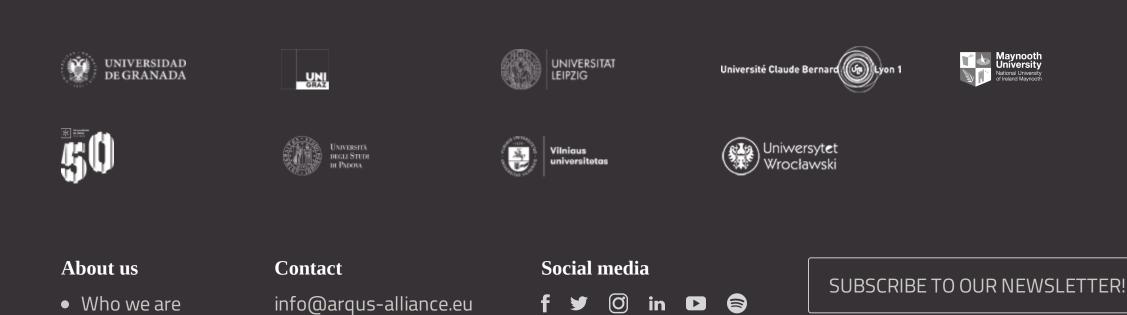
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## **Contact**

Please direct your enquiries to <a href="mailto:talent-scholarship@arqus-alliance.eu">talent-scholarship@arqus-alliance.eu</a>

# **Data Protection**

We take data protection seriously at the Arqus European University Alliance. For information on the processing of your personal data within the framework of the Arqus Talent Scholarship Fund, please see the <u>Data Protection Declaration</u>.



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