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**The Acting Director**

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Dear Sir/Madam,

In the 2012 ERA Communication the European Commission made a commitment to support employers in removing pension as an obstacle for researchers' mobility by "*supporting stakeholders in setting up a pan-European supplementary pension fund for researchers*". To achieve this goal we invited a core group of interested employers and employer representatives to prepare the ground for the establishment of a single European pension arrangement for researchers called RESAVER.

RESAVER will be a defined contribution plan that will enable mobile and non-mobile researchers to remain affiliated to the same supplementary pension fund when moving between different countries and changing jobs. During the autumn a consortium of employers will formally establish the pension arrangement with the aim of transferring the first contributions as of 2015.

In the end, this initiative should remove supplementary pension as a barrier to researchers' mobility and contributes to the realisation of a European labour market for researchers.

In light of the progress being made, I would like to bring your attention to the enclosed information leaflet that has recently been published by the European Commission.

For more information regarding membership issues please contact the RESAVER secretariat: [RTD-PENSION-FUND@ec.europa.eu](mailto:RTD-PENSION-FUND@ec.europa.eu).

Yours sincerely,



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