The Housing First Hub Europe Hub was established by the Y-Foundation (Finland) and FEANTSA (European Federation of National Organisations Working with Homeless People), along with more than 15 partners from different EU countries in 2016. The objective of the Hub is developing work on promoting and scaling up Housing First in Europe.

The Hub acknowledges that research on Housing First can benefit decision makers and practitioners and that it is important to monitor and conduct research on how systems respond to the changes in the homelessness policies and services.

Aiming at promoting the interest among early career researchers and the research community in general about the Housing First model across Europe, the Housing First Hub Europe Hub launches a yearly Housing First Early Career Researcher Award.

The Housing First Early Career Researcher Award will acknowledge a relevant research article on any Housing First area conducted in Europe.

ADMISSION CRITERIA:

- The article may focus on any area of Housing First practice in Europe, ranging from homelessness policies or strategies to specific aspects of the Housing First practice, e.g. results on people, organizational challenges, professional skills, etc.
- The researcher must have finished his/her Graduate or Postgraduate studies in the 5 years preceding this call for papers. In case the research was conducted by a team of people, the main researcher must fulfil this requirement.
- The article should have not been previously published.
- The article must be written in English and must follow the format rules of the European Journal of Homelessness: http://www.feantsaresearch.org/en/publications/european-journal-of-homelessness/submit-an-article

SUBMISSION PROCESS:

- Manuscripts may be submitted until May 31st, 2018.
- Manuscripts can be submitted by email on Word or PDF format to the coordinators of the Research Work Cluster of the Hub, Roberto Bernad (roberto.bernad@raisfundacion.org) and Saija Turunen (saija.turunen@ysaatio.fi),
- The author(s)’s information should only be included in the title page. A proof of graduation in the previous 5 years must be sent along with the article (copy of graduation certificate or similar)
AWARD CRITERIA:

- Clarity and concision of information.
- Good description of objectives, hypotheses and research methods.
- Rigorousness and high standard of research methods used.
- Innovation: research in HF areas not having been evaluated or little research has been conducted.
- Applicability: research which facilitate recommendations for the technical, decision making or policy design.

HF EARLY CAREER RESEARCHER AWARD:

The Housing First Early Career Researcher Award will consist on:

- An economic reward to the researcher of 1,000€.
- The publication of the article in the European Journal of Homelessness.
- The award will be granted during the 13th European Research Conference on Homelessness, to be held on September 21st, 2018 in Budapest. The Hub will cover the travel expenses and admission fee of the winner to the FEANTSA research conference.