Post Doc Award Program Fosters Research Opportunities Across the Globe

Through its Foundation for Advancing Technology and Community Giving (ATCG), IDT grants one-year post-doctoral fellowships for students to study abroad. Once complete, students return to their home countries to share the knowledge learned. This grant program was begun in 2013 in partnership with the Technion-Israel Institute of Technology. In 2017, it will be expanded to include post-doctoral students from Belgium.

IDT continues to work with grant recipients throughout their terms of study. We follow their research and include them in presentations to company staff as appropriate. Past winners include:

2013 Johann Elbaz – Technion to MIT
2014 Limor Zwi Dantsis – Technion to Imperial College London
2015 Ariel Afek – Ben Gurion University to Duke
2016 Nir Drayman – Hebrew University to University of Chicago

Chicago, Illinois, cataloging specimens from the museum’s vast collection of insects. Data input into the museum’s archives is made available immediately for researchers’ use.

In addition, 65 percent of Singapore employees served at least four VTO hours in their first year participating in the program, donating their time in support of Keep Singapore Clean and the Singapore Science Center.

In September 2016, staff in Leuven completed a fundraising relay-run for cancer research (KanActief). At the end of the year, Leuven employees participated in de Warmste Week, a citywide celebration of giving, and raised 2,500 euros for Fight Against Cancer (Kom Op Tegen Kanker).

Over the year, more than 200 employees at our largest facility in Coralville, raised over $17,500 for 20 organizations.

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From 2015 to 2016, total employee volunteer participation increased by 54 percent and IDT cash donations more than doubled.