Current Calls for Proposals from National, European and International Third-Party Funding Sources
We have updated our website, where you can now find information about:

- calls for proposals for research on the coronavirus
- current deadline postponements
- information on ongoing third-party projects.

We will update the website on an ongoing basis.
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Federal and State Ministries

Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF)

Society of Ideas - Competition for Social Innovation

**Aim**

With the Society of Ideas, the BMBF is seeking ideas for projects that aim to develop social innovations. The projects should **identify social needs** and **find creative solutions**.

In essence, the aim is to promote the **development of social innovations in three steps**:

- **Step 1 - Ideas competition followed by a concept phase**: Interested parties can participate in the ideas competition for social innovations. This is followed by a participatory online evaluation by citizens. Taking the results into account, the BMBF will select up to 30 ideas for the Ideas Award for Social Innovation. With prize money, the idea will be developed into a concept in the following six months.

- **Step 2 - Trial phase**: After completion of the concept phase and a renewed participatory online evaluation and a jury assessment, the BMBF selects up to ten projects for the trial phase, in which the concept is tested with scientific partners in a research project lasting a maximum of two years.

- **Step 3 - Practical phase**: Follow-up funding to implement the best tested projects in practice is planned and will be communicated separately to the projects.

**Target group**

amongst others universities; trial phase: **only collaborative projects** with at least one scientific institution as a collaborative partner

**Duration**

- concept phase: **6 months**
- trial phase: **2 years**
- practical phase: **3 years**

**Funding**

- ideas competition: no funding; Ideas Award for Social Innovation: **€ 12,500**
- trial phase: up to **€ 200,000**
- practical phase: up to 100% of eligible project-related expenditure and a project lump sum of 20% for higher education institutions

**Deadline**

30 June 2020 (submission of an ideas description)

The call text does not specify the language in which the proposal is to be submitted. Please inform yourself before submission whether a proposal in English or German is required.

**Further information**

website of the [BMBF](#)
Joint Call 2020: ICT for Resilient, Safe and Secure Society

**Aim**

“This call for proposals invites Japan- and Europe-based researchers to explore novel, innovative and improved ways of addressing the diverse risks and threats that exist at the junction of cyberspace and physical space with the help of information and communications technology, and to contribute to the goal of building a resilient, safe and secure society.

We especially welcome research proposals which draw simultaneously on natural and social sciences to find solutions to these challenges, taking into consideration ethical, legal and social issues which arise as we transition into a digital society. Proposals that involve various non-academic participants, such as practitioners, industry and other individuals and groups of the general public to whom these risks represent a reality are also encouraged.”

**Target group**

at least three eligible beneficiaries (project partners), one from Japan and two from two different European countries participating in the Joint Call

**Duration**

up to 3 years

**Funding**

usually € 150,000 for the German part

**Deadline**

17 July 2020 (submission of a project outline; two-step evaluation)

**Further information**

website of the BMBF

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Economic history transnational. The Germans in Eastern Europe and their economic networks

**Aim**

The aim of the funding programme is to investigate transnational economic networks of Germans in Eastern Europe. This can also be done by means of comparisons or by analysing interdependencies, for example in the context of German-Jewish life or relations with other groups (e.g. Armenians) in Eastern Europe. In doing so, developments that go back to before national epochs can be taken into account. We also welcome the consideration of source material made accessible after 1989, both in Eastern Europe and in Germany.

**Target group**

historical, economic, cultural and social science projects

**Duration**

not specified

**Funding**

up to € 80,000

**Deadline**

30 November 2020

**Further information**

website of the BKM
Germans from Eastern Europe in global contexts and interrelations

Aim
The funding programme aims to encourage the analysis of global contexts and interdependencies of Germans from Eastern Europe, for example the construction of transnational "German" identity designs outside the German nation state or outside Europe. The localization beyond the nation state can, for example, be achieved by examining worldwide networks of Germans from Eastern Europe that were or are family, economic, political, cultural or religious.

Target group
researchers from the disciplines of history, cultural studies and social sciences

Duration
not specified

Funding
up to € 80,000

Deadline
30 November 2020

Further information
website of the BKM

Förderung der wissenschaftlich-technologischen Zusammenarbeit mit Kuba

Förderung
„Die Förderung bezieht sich auf den Personalaustausch, die Koordinierung der bilateralen Kooperation und auf die Organisation von projektbezogenen Veranstaltungen, die dem Ziel der internationalen Vernetzung mit Kuba dienen. Die geplanten Maßnahmen sollen Forschungsvorhaben begleiten, die aus anderen Quellen finanziert sind. Es werden Mobilitätsprojekte zu den folgenden thematischen Schwerpunktbereichen gefördert:
a) Bioökonomie, insbesondere Biotechnologie und Agrarforschung
b) Gesundheitsforschung und Pharmazie
c) Klimafolgenforschung. Anpassung an den Klimawandel.“

Zielgruppe
Forschungsprojekt mit mind. einem Kooperationspartner aus Kuba

Dauer
max. 3 Jahre

Förderhöhe
i.d.R. 75.000 €

Fristende
13. August 2020 (Einreichung einer Projektskizze; mehrstufiges Antragsverfahren)

Weitere Informationen
Webseite des BMBF
Projects with the Republic of Singapore with the participation of science and industry ("2+2" projects) on the topic "Smart urban mobility"

**Aim**
Under this funding measure, funding will be provided for research projects as collaborative projects that address one or more of the following topics in international cooperation with partners from Singapore in accordance with the funding purpose described above:

- Topic 1: Modelling of transport emissions
- Topic 2: Sensor technologies and sensor systems
- Topic 3: Life cycle sustainability assessment

The projects should (1) have a high level of practical relevance, (2) be expected to produce findings and exploitable research results that lead to new technologies, products and/or services, (3) achieve a technological readiness level (TRL) between 5 and 7 at the end of the project, (4) clearly demonstrate a benefit for society as a whole in terms of sustainable mobility in the future, and (5) demonstrate strategies for implementing the research results in politics, society and the economy.

**Target group**
at least one German and one Singaporean university or research institution as well as one German and one Singaporean commercial research company or industrial partner ("2+2 projects")

**Duration**
up to 3 years

**Funding**
usually € 450,000 for the German part

**Deadline**
31 July 2020 (submission of a project outline; two-step evaluation)

**Further information**
website of the BMBF
Medical technology solutions for digital health care

Aim
Funding is provided for collaborative projects that aim to develop new, marketable digital medical technology solutions. From an economic point of view, a key objective of the collaborative R&D projects is to strengthen the companies on the market in the long term by translating the R&D results into innovative medical technology products in a site-related manner. The results can also be innovative medical services or other goods of the health care industry. Cross-industry consortia between medical technology and information and communication technology companies that address care processes with high clinical relevance are particularly promoted.

The funding measure is aimed at medical technology solutions that provide significant added value within the diagnosis - therapy - aftercare/rehabilitation supply chain through increased digitisation.

Target group
industry-led, high-risk and precompetitive R&D projects in the form of collaborative projects

Duration
up to 3 years

Funding
up to 100% of eligible project-related expenditure and a project lump sum of 20% for higher education institutions

Deadline
15 September 2020 (submission of a project outline; two-step evaluation)

The call text does not specify the language in which the proposal is to be submitted. Please inform yourself before submission whether a proposal in English or German is required.

Further information
website of the BMBF

Bioeconomy International 2020

Aim
The collaborative projects should relate to at least one of the research funding components mentioned in the strategy:

- **biological knowledge** as the key to the bio-economy (microorganisms; algae, fungi, bacteria, plants; insects, etc.);
- **converging technologies and cross-disciplinary cooperation** (digitisation, artificial intelligence, nanotechnology, automation, miniaturisation, etc.);
- **limits and potentials** of the bio-economy;
- **transfer to application** (value-added networks, etc.);
- Bioeconomy and **society** (interactions, conflicting goals, etc.);
- **global research collaborations**.

Target group
international consortia in particular with partners from the countries Argentina, Australia, Canada, Chile, China, India, Colombia, Malaysia, Russia and Vietnam; cooperation with partners from EU countries is not eligible.

Duration
up to 3 years

Funding
up to 100% of eligible project-related expenditure and a project lump sum of 20% for higher education institutions

Deadline
17 August 2020 (submission of a project outline; two-step evaluation)

Further information
website of the BMBF
Research mission "Marine Carbon Storage as a Path to Decarbonization" of the German Marine Research Alliance

**Aim** In accordance with the funding objectives, the projects should contribute to the implementation of the Federal Government’s research programme “MARE:N - Coastal, Marine and Polar Research” and fulfil the objectives of the DAM. Only collaborative projects that deal with measures and methods for the (increased) absorption of CO2 by the oceans and whose results provide concrete action knowledge for political and social decisions and developments will be funded. The products of the mission are to be incorporated into a roadmap for the sustainable use of marine carbon reservoirs at regional and global level, which identifies concrete options for action and scenarios.

Research topic I: **Geological methods for CO2 storage**

Research topic II: Increasing alkalinity to **increase CO2 uptake and storage**

Research topic III: **"Blue Carbon"-approaches** to increasing CO2 absorption and storage

Research Theme IV: Other approaches to **increasing CO2 capture and storage**

**Target group** collaborative projects

**Duration** up to 8 years (first funding phase: 3 years)

**Funding**
- collaborative projects for topics I to III: € 5 million each
- collaborative projects for topic IV: € 2.5 million
- networking and transfer projects: € 3 million

**Deadline** 14 August 2020 (submission of a project outline; two-step evaluation)

**Further information** website of the BMBF

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**Ideenwettbewerb Biologisierung der Technik**

**Förderung** „Gegenstand der Förderung sind Einzel- oder Verbundprojekte, die anhand einer konkreten technischen Fragestellung das Potenzial biologischer Ressourcen, Verfahren, Prozesse oder Prinzipien für industrielle Anwendungen aufzeigen. Der Schwerpunkt der Arbeiten muss hierbei entweder auf der Material- und Werkstoffforschung oder Produktionsforschung (hier: Produktentstehung und Produktionsprozesse) liegen. Zielsetzung ist der Machbarkeitsnachweis („Proof of Concept“) für die industrielle Anwendung und/oder der Aufbau eines Demonstrator-Modells.“

**Zielgruppe** Einzel- oder **Verbundvorhaben**; die Zusammenarbeit von akademischen und industriellen **Verbundpartnern** in einem gemeinsamen Verbundprojekt ist ausdrücklich gewünscht.

**Förderdauer** bis zu 3 Jahre

**Förderhöhe**
- 500.000 € für Verbundprojekte
- 200.000 € für akademische oder industrielle Einzelvorhaben

**Fristende** 20. September 2020 (Einreichung einer Projektskizze; mehrstufiges Antragsverfahren)

**Weitere Informationen** Webseite des BMBF
SME innovative: Bioeconomy

**Aim**
The R&D projects must be both scientifically challenging and characterised by a corresponding scientific and technological risk, as well as making an applied contribution to building a sustainable bio-based economy, a bio-economy. Furthermore, these projects must be important for the positioning of the applicant company on the market.

**Target group**
innovative industrial research and experimental development projects which are broadly classified in the bio-economy; universities as project partners of collaborative projects

**Duration**
up to 3 years

**Funding**
up to 100% of eligible project-related expenditure and a project lump sum of 20% for higher education institutions

**Deadline**
1 September 2020 (submission of a project outline; two-step evaluation)

The call text does not specify the language in which the proposal is to be submitted. Please inform yourself before submission whether a proposal in English or German is required.

**Further information**
website of the BMBF

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Electronics for energy-saving information and communication technology

**Aim**
The aim of the joint project is to demonstrate an innovative ICT system based on an edge-cloud solution for an economically and socially relevant application with considerable potential for energy and CO2 savings. An edge-cloud solution in this context means electronic systems for collecting and processing information at the edge of the network to intelligent sensor nodes and (mobile) end devices, including the necessary data communication. The goal of the designed R&D project must clearly exceed the state of the art. The solution approach should include the entire system of the application from the networked terminal devices to the central server systems in the consideration of the energy saving potential. The intended solution must be based on a core innovation in the field of electronic hardware.

In the competition phase, sketches for the preliminary scientific projects to develop the R&D concepts are first presented. The winners will be selected on the basis of the concepts to be submitted at the end of the first phase.

**Target group**
individual projects or consortia from universities and/or non-university research institutions

**Duration**
9 months

**Funding**
up to € 250,000

**Deadline**
15 June 2020 (submission of a project outline; two-step evaluation)

The call text does not specify the language in which the proposal is to be submitted. Please inform yourself before submission whether a proposal in English or German is required.

**Further information**
website of the BMBF
Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy (BMWi)

Artificial intelligence and networked data technologies for infectiological and other crises threatening the economy

**Aim**
This third call for proposals aims at projects based on digital technologies in the fields of prevention and management of infectious and other threatening crisis situations, which are suitable for strengthening the resilience of the economy and, in this context, protecting the health of the population. In particular, concrete solutions are to be presented with which current and future crisis situations can be better controlled by means of data technologies and artificial intelligence. If possible, corresponding solutions - beyond the challenges of the current COVID-19 pandemic - for prevention and emergency situations should also be transferable to everyday situations in order to create added value and prospects for new business models in the economy.

**Target group**
consortia consisting of **8 to 10 partners**

**Duration**
up to **3 years**

**Funding**
€ 10 to 13 million

**Deadline**
21 September 2020 (submission of a project outline; two-step evaluation)

The call text does not specify the language in which the proposal is to be submitted. Please inform yourself before submission whether a proposal in English or German is required.

**Further information**
website of the [BMWi](https://www.bmwi.de/).
EXIST Start-up Grant

**Aim**
The EXIST Start-up Grant is intended to support founders at universities and research institutions in the phase before and at the beginning of their innovative business start-up, especially in the preparation of a sustainable business plan, the development of marketable products and innovative services. The EXIST start-up grant is intended to support innovative and sustainable business start-ups with high market relevance and implementation dynamics, whose founding idea originated in the environment of the university or research institution and in which the expertise and knowledge acquired there as well as any research and development work carried out has been incorporated.

**Target group**
Applicants must be part of a start-up support network.

**Duration**
up to 1 year

**Funding**
personal scholarships for up to 3 persons, material expenses, up to € 10,000 for the start-up-specific monitoring of the project by the start-up network

**Deadline**
continuously open

The call text does not specify the language in which the proposal is to be submitted. Please inform yourself before submission whether a proposal in English or German is required.

**Further information**
website of the BMWi

EXIST Research Transfer

**Aim**
EXIST research transfer is intended to support start-up teams at universities and research institutions in the preparation and implementation of technically particularly risky and complex development work, the results of which form the economic basis for a growth-oriented business start-up.

In funding phase I, research teams at universities and research institutions in Germany will be funded to carry out development work to clarify fundamental questions relating to the translation of scientific results into technical products and processes, to develop the business idea into a business plan based on these results and to prepare the planned company foundation in a targeted manner.

**Target group**
research teams at German universities (funding phase I)

**Duration**
up to 18 months

**Funding**
up to 100% of eligible project-related expenditure and a project lump sum of 20% for higher education institutions

**Deadline**
1 January to 31 January and 1 July to 31 July of a calendar year (submission of a project outline; two-step evaluation)

The call text does not specify the language in which the proposal is to be submitted. Please inform yourself before submission whether a proposal in English or German is required.

**Further information**
website of the BMWi
3rd German-Taiwanese Call for Proposals for Joint R&D Projects

Aim
“The German Institute in Taipei and the Taipei Representative Office in the Federal Republic of Germany are announcing a call for proposal for joint R&D projects. Applicants are expected to develop ready-to-market solutions for products, technology-based services or methods in all technological and application areas which have strong market potential.”

Target group
at least one Taiwanese and one German commercial company; universities as additional participants

Duration
up to 3 years

Funding
equal contribution by the participants from both sides

Deadline
30 October 2020 (submission of a project outline; two-step evaluation)

Further information
website of the BMWi

7th Call for proposals for joint industrial research and development (R&D) projects between Germany and France

Aim
“France and Germany are announcing a Call for Proposals for joint R&D projects, focusing on developing innovative products and applications in all technological and application areas. Applicants are expected to develop ready-to-market solutions for products, technology-based services or methods which have strong potential for the French, German, European and/or international market.”

Target group
at least two companies from the participating countries; universities as partners

Duration
up to 3 years

Funding
partially funded by Bpifrance on the French side and BMWi on the German side; remaining costs will be the responsibility of the project participants.

Deadline
15 October 2020 (submission of a project outline; two-step evaluation)

Further information
website of the BMWi
Federal Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs (BMAS)

Research projects in the context of the corona pandemic within the framework of the funding guideline for "Promotion of research and teaching in the field of social policy"

**Aim**  
Funding will be provided for projects that are suitable for creating scientifically sound foundations for coping with the socio-political challenges in the context of the corona pandemic. The content should be based on the following thematic areas:

a) Impact of the corona pandemic on social security  
b) Impact of the corona pandemic on employment, work behaviour, working conditions and work organisation  
c) Impact of the corona pandemic on social and societal participation and cohesion  
d) Effects of the corona pandemic on social security systems in international comparison  
e) Future of the welfare state and the social market economy in the light of experience with the pandemic

**Target group**  
e.g. universities, research institutions, educational institutions, associations, corporations

**Duration**  
3 months to 1 year

**Funding**  
up to € 100,000 for individual projects

**Deadline**  
18 June 2020 (expression of interest)

**Further information**  
website of the BMAS
**Aim**
“The German federal and state governments reached an agreement in November 2018 to establish a national research data infrastructure (NFDI). Based on a research-driven process, the NFDI aims to systematically manage research data collections, provide long-term data storage, backup and accessibility, and network the data both nationally and internationally in accordance with the FAIR principles. With this call, the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG, German Research Foundation) invites proposals for further NFDI consortia.”

**Target group** consortia consisting of groups of users and providers of research data that come together for the purpose of long-term cooperation

**Duration** 5 years

**Funding** between €2 million and €5 million

**Deadline** 15 August 2020 (binding letter of intent)

Interested researchers are asked to contact the Cologne Competence Center for Research Data Management (C3RDM) at the University of Cologne: [https://fdm.uni-koeln.de/unsere-angebote/nfdi-uebersicht](https://fdm.uni-koeln.de/unsere-angebote/nfdi-uebersicht).

**Further information** website of the DFG

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**Priority Programme “The Active Self” (SPP 2134)**

**Aim** “The goal of the Priority Programme is to:
- provide empirically validated core mechanisms underlying the emergence of behavioural indicators of selfhood (including body ownership and personal agency);
- test how these core mechanisms generate a self in the course of ontogenetic development or the acquisition of expertise;
- integrate the knowledge about core mechanisms and their role in development and learning into a dynamic model of self-construction;
- design robotics experiments that can test hypotheses on the development of the minimal self;
- and advance the state of the art in cognitive skills in robotics, in particular for human-robot interaction.”

**Target group** cooperation across disciplinary borders

**Duration** 3 years

**Funding** not specified

**Deadline** 27 January 2021 (registration for the elan portal until 13 January 2021)

**Further information** website of the DFG
Funding Opportunities for Indo-German Fundamental Research Projects in the Life Sciences

**Aim** “The Department of Biotechnology (DBT) and the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG, German Research Foundation) wish to inform the Indian and German scientific communities that, effective immediately, it is possible for teams of Indian and German researchers to seek synchronised funding for integrated Indo-German cutting-edge fundamental research projects proposing innovative approaches in the academic disciplines covered by the Department of Biotechnology (DBT), Ministry of Science and Technology, Government of India. […] Since this programme addresses all fields of the life sciences, interested applicants may note that it is also suitable for Indo-German projects about epidemics or pandemics such as the current SARS-CoV-2 pandemic.”

**Target group** teams of Indian and German researchers

**Duration** up to 3 years

**Funding** as requested

**Deadline** open submission until 28 February 2021

“All project proposals will be reviewed as soon as they are submitted, and early submissions are encouraged.”

**Further information** website of the [DFG](https://www.dfg.de)

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NSF-DFG Lead Agency Activity in Electrosynthesis and Electrocatalysis

**Aim** “Both the NSF and DFG recognise an urgent need to support research focused on discovering and developing new chemical synthesis methods that are both energy efficient and compatible with non-fossil fuel energy sources. We are particularly interested in novel and fundamental electrochemical reactions and studies addressing transformations in organic and polymer synthesis, water splitting reactions (hydrogen/oxygen evolution), and nitrogen reduction (ammonia production). Relevant activities include: mechanistic studies; catalyst design, synthesis, and characterisation; computational modelling, theory, and simulation; and experimental tool development. For fundamental engineering science projects, we are interested in studies involving reaction engineering, reactor system design, and component or device scale studies as examples that provide fundamental knowledge supporting scale-up of systems.”

**Target group** collaborative work between US researchers and their German counterparts

**Duration** not specified

**Funding** 1 July 2020 (expression of interest)

**Deadline** open submission until 28 February 2021

“Please note that this is not a deadline – project proposals will be reviewed as soon as they are submitted, and early submissions are encouraged.”

**Further information** website of the [DFG](https://www.dfg.de)
# European Research Funding

## Horizon 2020

On 27 October 2017, the European Commission published the final work programme 2018-2020 for the EU Research and Innovation programme Horizon 2020. Current calls for proposals are available at the Funding & Tenders Portal of the European Commission. The individual work programmes of the various funding lines can be viewed [here](#).

## European Research Council (ERC)

### ERC Advanced Grants

- **Funding**: "The fundamental activity of the ERC is to provide attractive, long-term funding to support excellent investigators and their research teams to pursue ground-breaking, high-gain/ high-risk research. [...] Scientific excellence is the sole criterion on the basis of which ERC frontier research grants are awarded. [...]" (Source: Work Programme 2020)

- **Target Group**: established scientists of any nationality with an outstanding track-record in the last 10 years

- **Duration**: up to 5 years

- **Funding**: max. € 2,5 million

- **Deadline**: 26 August 2020

- **Further information**: Website of the Funding & Tenders Portal
Horizon 2020 COVID-19 Call for Proposals

Innovative and rapid health-related approaches to respond to COVID-19 and to deliver quick results for society for a higher level of preparedness of health systems

**Funding**
The Commission has mobilised another €122 million from its research and innovation programme, Horizon 2020, for urgently needed research into the coronavirus. Five areas are listed:

- Repurposing of manufacturing for **vital medical supplies and equipment** (€23 million)
- **Medical technologies, Digital tools and Artificial Intelligence** analytics to improve surveillance and care at high Technology Readiness Levels (€56 million)
- **Behavioural, social and economic impacts** of the outbreak responses (€20 million)
- **Pan-European COVID-19 cohorts** (€20 million)
- **Collaboration of existing EU and international cohorts** of relevance to COVID-19 (€3 million)

**Target Group**
consortia

**Duration**
up to 3 years

**Funding**
depending on the topic

**Deadline**
11 June 2020

**Further information**
Website of the [European Commission](https://ec.europa.eu)

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Fellowships für Innovationen in der Hochschullehre

**Förderung** „Die Baden-Württemberg Stiftung und der Stifterverband schreiben 2020 erneut Fellowships für Innovationen in der Hochschullehre in folgenden Kategorien aus:

- **Junior-Fellowships** für Doktorand/inn/en, Post-Doktorand/inn/en und wissenschaftliche Mitarbeiter/innen
- **Senior-Fellowships** für Juniorprofessor/inn/en, habilitierte Wissenschaftler/innen und Professor/inn/en
- **Tandem-Fellowships** für Lehrende, die mit einem/einer Hochschuldidaktiker/in oder einem/einer Lehr-/Lernforscher/in oder mit einem Lehrenden aus einem anderen Studienfach oder von einer anderen Hochschule (auch im Ausland) kooperieren.“

WissenschaftlerInnen aus NRW sind für alle Fellowships antragsberechtigt.

**Zielgruppe**
- **Junior-Fellowships** für DoktorandInnen, PostdoktorandInnen und wissenschaftliche Mitarbeiter/innen
- **Senior-Fellowships** für Juniorprofessor/inn/en, habilitierte WissenschaftlerInnen und ProfessorInnen
- **Tandem-Fellowships** für Lehrende, die mit einem/einer HochschuldidaktikerIn oder einem/einer Lehr-/LernforscherIn oder mit einem Lehrenden aus einem anderen Studienfach oder von einer anderen Hochschule (auch im Ausland) kooperieren

**Förderhöhe**
- 15.000 € für Junior-Fellowships
- 25.000 € für Senior-Fellowships
- 30.000 € für Tandems

**Fristende** 10. Juli 2020

**INTERNE FRISTEN:**
- **bis 15. Juni 2020**: kurze Mitteilung, dass grundsätzlich ein Antrag geplant ist, per Email an a73_Antrag@verw.uni-koeln.de
- **bis 26. Juni 2020**: Senden des vollständigen Antrags mit der Unterschrift des/der (Studien-)DekanIn an a73_Antrag@verw.uni-koeln.de (Prüfung des Antrags und Einholung der Unterschrift des Rektors durch die Abt. 73)

Weitere Informationen zum internen Verfahren: [https://verwaltung.uni-koeln.de/interneverfahren/](https://verwaltung.uni-koeln.de/interneverfahren/)

**Weitere Informationen**
- Webseite des Stifterverband
Hochschulperle Spezial

Aim  The Stifterverband is looking for innovative ideas to help master the current challenges in research and teaching in times of the corona crisis at universities and universities of applied sciences in Germany.

The Stifterverband would like to promote the innovative concepts that are being developed and implemented in the current crisis situation. Which of these can be exemplary for other universities? What is needed now are up-to-date, practice-oriented solutions to the problems posed by the corona pandemic at German universities. The University Pearl Special wants to bring to light some of the many ideas that have now been developed.

Target group  universities and universities of applied sciences in Germany

Funding  € 1,000

Deadline  10 June 2020

Further information  website of the Stifterverband

VolkswagenFoundation

Corona Crisis and Beyond – Perspectives for Science, Scholarship and Society

Aim  “The novel coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 and the associated respiratory disease COVID-19 are spreading at a rapid pace, dominating all areas of public and private life worldwide and challenging basic, clinical and translational viral research. These new and unprecedented developments have both immediate and not yet fully foreseeable long-term consequences that raise new research questions and may even lead to new research fields. Against this backdrop, the Volkswagen Foundation supports research projects from all disciplines whose findings not only contribute directly to overcoming the crisis, but can also provide impetus for overcoming major societal challenges in the medium to long term.”

Target group  postdoctoral researchers or professors in Germany; single or integrative joint projects (up to 3 partners), international collaborations possible

Duration  up to 18 months

Funding  up to 120,000 € (flexible use)

Deadline  4 June 2020 (small grants) or at any time for additional modules within the context of currently funded research projects: as an alternative option, grant recipients of projects currently funded by the Foundation can – in addition to the grants already made – extend their respective projects by an additional module that addresses the above mentioned challenges.

Further information  website of the Foundation
Deutsches Historisches Institut Paris

Karl Ferdinand Werner-Fellowship

Förderung

„Gefördert werden können neben individuellen Archiv- und Bibliotheksfor- schungen in Paris und Umgebung auch Aufenthalte, die der konzentrierten Manuskripterarbeit mit Hilfe der gut ausgestatteten Institutsbibliothek dienen oder der Vertiefung von wissenschaftlichen Kontakten für die französisch-deutsche Wissenschaftskooperation (z. B. zur Konzeption von gemeinsamen Forschungsprojekten).“

Zielgruppe

ProfessorInnen und an Angehörige des akademischen Mittelbaus (mit mindest abgeschlossener Promotion) an deutschen Hochschulen, deren Vorhaben sich in die Arbeitsfelder des DHIP einfügen

Dauer

1 bis 4 Wochen

Förderhöhe

kostenlose Nutzung des Gästeziemer des DHIP; Anbindung an die Infrastruktur des Instituts sowie seine Bibliothek

Fristende

15. September 2020

Weitere Informationen

Webseite des DHI Paris
FUNDING FOR EARLY CAREER RESEARCHERS

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**Further information**
website of the [Foundation](https://www.volkswagen-stiftung.de)

Gesellschaft für Chemische Technik und Biotechnologie (DECHEMA)

**Forschungsstipendien**

**Förderung**

**Zielgruppe**
u.a. HabilitandInnen, JuniorprofessorInnen, HochschullehrerInnen bis zu 8 Jahre nach der Promotion

**Förderdauer**
bis zu 3 Jahre

**Förderhöhe**
10,000 €

**Fristende**
15. September 2020

**Weitere Informationen**
Webseite von [DECHEMA](https://www.dchema.de)
An overview of the most important science awards is available [here](http://example.com).

### Stifterverband

**Open Data Impact Award**

**Aim**

“Open Data shows great potential for innovation. Everyone benefits when we are openly sharing research data. Both science benefits when data sets can be verified and refined by other researchers. But also, society gains when research data turns into innovations for everyone. Finding those hidden treasures in data and re-using them is only possible when researchers **actively publish their data sets and allow full access**. Unfortunately, everyday practice in scientific communities does not necessarily reflect this finding. There are multiple reasons for why open data is not common practice. Obstacles can be limited funding, the way reputation is measured, or the lack of knowledge about how to prepare data sets for re-use.

With its Open Data Impact Award the Stifterverband is trying to promote open data in science as part of its initiative innOsci. In 2020 Stifterverband awards the prize for the first time.

**Target group**

individual researchers or research groups who have **granted open access and re-use of their data sets** and who can showcase or make a plausible case for an **innovative adaptation of their data beyond the academic world**

**Endowment**

€ 30,000 for 3 award winners (€ 15,000, 10,000 and 5,000)

**Deadline**

30 June 2020

**Further information**

[website of the prize](http://example.com)

### Berlin-Brandenburgische Akademie der Wissenschaften

**Preis der Akademie, gestiftet von der Peregrinus-Stiftung (Rudolf Meimberg)**

**Ziel**

“Der von der Peregrinus-Stiftung zur Verfügung gestellte Preis der Akademie […] wird für **herausragende Leistungen** an Wissenschaftlerinnen und Wissenschaftler aus den ost- oder südosteuropäischen Staaten, die dort auch ihren Lebensmittelpunkt haben, verliehen. Der Preis soll die Preisträgerinnen und Preisträger in ihrer wissenschaftlichen Arbeit unter den dortigen schwierigen Bedingungen unterstützen.”

**Zielgruppe**

WissenschaftlerInnen aus **ost- oder südosteuropäischen Staaten**; PreisträgerInnen sollen gemessen an der von ihnen erbrachten Leistung als jung angesehen werden können. Der Preis wird **nicht** für ein Lebenswerk verliehen.

**Dotierung**

8.000 €

**Fristende**

15. September 2020 (Nominierungen)

**Weitere Informationen**

[Websites der Akademie](http://example.com)
University of Vechta

Höffmann Academic Award for Intercultural Competence

**Aim**  “The Höffmann Academic Award is a long-term programme aimed at promoting inter-cultural skills. Intercultural competence means the ability to reflect and act that enables us to operate constructively in intercultural situations when encountering people of different ethnic, cultural and religious backgrounds. These are key skills in times of transnationalisation and globalisation. Academia faces the task of promoting intercultural skills through active inter-change, integration in studies and teaching, and carrying out relevant research projects. The Höffmann Academic Award makes a contribution to this by awarding a prize for outstanding academic work on topics of intercultural competence.”

**Target group**  outstanding academic with groundbreaking work carried out on topics of inter-cultural competence

**Endowment**  € 10,000

**Deadline**  17 July 2020

**INTERNAL DEADLINE:**
If you would like to be nominated for this award or propose another university lecturer for the award, the Prerectorate asks you to send all the necessary documents by 3 July 2020 at the latest to s.kloppenburg@verw.uni-koeln.de.

Further information is available at https://verwaltung.uni-koeln.de/interneverfahren/.

Further information website of the prize

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Akademie der Wissenschaften und der Literatur Mainz

Walter Kalkhof-Rose Gedächtnispreis


**Zielgruppe**  NachwuchswissenschaftlerInnen, die sich in einem frühen Stadium ihrer akademischen Laufbahn bereits durch richtungsweisende Forschungsbeiträge verdient gemacht, dadurch ein eigenständiges wissenschaftliches Profil entwickelt haben und nun vor der Habilitation stehen oder eine gleichwertige Qualifikation aufweisen

**Dotierung**  5,000 €

**Fristende**  15. Juni 2020 (Vorschläge)

**Weitere Informationen**  Webseite der Akademie
German Physical Society (DPG)

Technology Transfer Prize

Aim With the Technology Transfer Prize, the DPG annually honours a successful technology transfer of recent years from a research institute to a company. It is awarded jointly to the parties involved in technology transfer, i.e. the institute from which the technology originates, the body responsible for technology transfer and the company implementing the technology.

Target group companies, research groups from universities and research institutions and technology transfer offices; the technology transfer should already have taken place and initial successes should be visible on the market.

Endowment glass trophy and certificate

Deadline 30 June 2020

Further information website of the prize
University Prize for Research 2020

**Aim**

The university prize in the category "Research" is awarded for an **outstanding scientific lifetime achievement**. Evaluation criteria are in particular:

- Scientific Excellence
- International visibility
- Structure formation at the UzK
- Successful promotion of young talent
- Contributions in the interest of society as a whole (including science communication)
- Knowledge and technology transfer

**Target group** university teachers

**Deadline** 2 October 2020 (only nominations)

**Further information** website of the University of Cologne

Seed Funding by the University of Cologne

**Aim**

"By offering a seed funding, the University of Cologne intends to support its researchers in the preparation and application for third-party funded projects."

The program is open to all fields of research. Proposals for **coordinated programs** and **cooperative projects** are funded, i.e. collaborative projects with several Principal Investigators (PI), whereby the PI of the University of Cologne acts as coordinator. Individual proposals are not funded. Consultation with the responsible project manager of Division 7 for Research Management Patricia Hoff is obligatory for applicants."

**Target Group** scientists at the University of Cologne

**Duration** as requested

**Funding**

The seed funding is designed for **coordination activities** for projects that are already well elaborated. Preliminary scientific work will not be funded. Applications may be submitted for e.g. personnel, material and travel expenses.

To cover the costs for on-site reviews (such as catering, printing costs, etc.) of Collaborative Research Centres/Transregios, Research Training Groups and Research Units of the DFG, a lump-sum subsidy can be applied for:

- Collaborative Research Centres/Transregios: € 4,000
- Research Training Groups and Research Units: € 1,000

**Deadline** 30 September 2020 (3 cut-off dates annually)

**Further information** website of Division 7 Research Management

Contact: Patricia Hoff, Division 7 Research Management, Dept. 71 Analysis and Consulting Services

email: anschubfinanzierung@verw.uni-koeln.de, phone: 0221/470-5379
Kopf Frei - Postdoc-Programme for Female Scientists with Family Obligations

Aim

"The aim of the programme is to increase the career opportunities of female postdocs and junior professors with family responsibilities by relieving them of routine teaching tasks. […]

Module 1 – Teaching substitute: funding for a teaching substitute to relieve the teaching load for 2 SWS for the winter semester 2020/2021 […]

Module 2 – Research assistant: funding for the employment of a research assistant to support the preparation and implementation of (online-) teaching."

Target Group
female postdoctoral researchers and junior professors without tenure track, with at least one child of primary school age or younger or with care responsibilities;

Duration winter semester 2020/21

Funding Module 1: up to € 1,500 | Module 2: research assistant (up to 6 months à 6 h SHK/WHB)

Deadline 14 June 2020

Further information website of Division 7 Research Management

Initial Funding by the Faculty of Arts and Humanities

Aim

Once a semester, the Dean's Office of the Faculty of Arts & Humanities announces an initial funding for third-party funding applications within the framework of joint research projects.

Target Group
professors and post-doctoral staff of the faculty who are the main applicants of a joint project (e.g. DFG-Grako, DFG-FOR, ERC-Synergy Grant, BMBF alliances)

Duration up to one semester

Funding material and personnel costs e.g. for student and research assistants (SHK/WHB/WHK); reduction of the teaching load up to max. 5 semester hours per week

Deadline 30 June 2020

Further information website of the Initial Funding
**Miscellaneous**

**DFG: Instructions for Project Proposals restructured and updated**

“The Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG, German Research Foundation) has responded to increasing requirements in recent years and has structurally adapted its instructions for project proposals. The changes affect the project description in proposals relating to individual research grants, the Emmy Noether Programme, Research Units, Clinical Research Units and Priority Programmes.**

Further information is available [here](#).

**DFG stresses the importance of gender and diversity for research projects**

In a statement, the Senate of the German Research Foundation (DFG) underlined the importance of taking gender and diversity into account for research projects. While the relevance of gender and/or diversity is already being questioned internationally by many funding organisations, the DFG plays a pioneering role in the German research system.

Further information is available [here](#).

**Alexander von Humboldt Foundation: Henriette Herz Scouting Programme - new sponsorship instrument**

The Humboldt Foundation’s new Henriette Herz Scouting Programme offers you the opportunity in the future to directly scout talented individuals you would like to have as a partner for a research stay as a Humboldt Fellow.

Financed by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), the Henriette Herz Scouting Programme represents **a new path to accessing the Humboldt Research Fellowship Programme**.

You can apply to be a scout if you are a professor or hold a comparable executive position in Germany, can document visible scientific success, have good international connections, and effectively promote the careers of junior researchers.

Further information is available [here](#).

**D7: New Online Tool for Planning a CRC Initiative**

The Department 7 Research Management and division 72 "Large-Scale Projects" have further expanded their support for the CRC application process. In this context an online tool has been set up that supports the planning of a CRC proposal. The planning tool is available in German and English as well as for first or renewal proposals. Of course the online tool does not replace an individual counselling. Please do not hesitate to contact sfb-beratung@verw.uni-koeln.de.

The tool is available [here](#).

**D7-Webseite zu Ausschreibungen mit uni-internen Auswahlverfahren**


Es werden des Weiteren Verfahren aufgeführt, bei denen die **Hochschulleitung den Antrag unterzeichnen muss** und bei denen ebenfalls ein gewisser zeitlicher Vorlauf einzuplanen ist. **Weitere Informationen sind hier abrufbar.**
25 June 2020, 10:00 am – 12:00 (noon) | Zoom Conference

**Research Data Management in Collaborative Research Centres - Thursday, 25 June 2020**

Departments 71 & 72 of the Division 7 Research Management and the Cologne Competence Center for Research Data Management (C3RDM) invite you to a Zoom conference on the handling of research data in Collaborative Research Centres (CRCs).

**Place:** online

**Further information & online registration form:** [https://verwaltung.uni-koeln.de/d7_events](https://verwaltung.uni-koeln.de/d7_events)

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16.-18.06.2020

**32. KoWi-Bundestagung zur EU-Forschungs- und Innovationsförderung**

online

07.07.2020

**Webinar „ABC der Antragstellung“ der Kontaktstelle Frauen in die EU-Forschung (FiF)**

online

09.07.2020

**KoWi Webinar: Marie Skłodowska-Curie Action (MSCA) Individual Fellowships**

online
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