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Solutions for the Next Human High-impact Pandemic

**Aim**
“Participants are invited to submit research and innovation project proposals aiming to provide solutions and preparedness for highly contagious human infectious disease pandemics which inflict a high impact on society. These can include (but are not limited to):

- Technologies enabling local resilience or self sufficiency
- Medical intervention robotics
- Infection prevention and protection
- Prevention of antibiotic resistance
- Sanitation technology
- Diagnostics and testing
- Therapeutics, vaccines and medicines
- Medical intervention robotics
- Disease-tracking technology
- Smart technologies for critical production and supply chains under lockdown
- Education technologies and digital workplace
- Govtech/Open data and Big Data.”

**Target group**
At least one German applicant together with at least one cooperation partner from a EUREKA country mentioned in these guidelines; the German partners must include at least one commercial enterprise.

**Duration**
Up to 3 years

**Funding**
Up to €50,000

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

**Further information**
Website of the BMBF
Research Projects with Canada involving Science and Industry (2 + 3 projects)

Aim
Under this funding measure, funding will be provided for joint research projects as collaborative projects that are carried out in international cooperation with Canadian universities, National Research Council research centres and Canadian companies.

In addition, the projects should contribute to the following research and cooperation policy objectives:

- international networking
- new and further development of technological and social innovations and the application of artificial intelligence
- increasing the international competitiveness of German and Canadian partners, including the development of market potentials
- promotion of junior researchers in the field of artificial intelligence

Target group
consortia consisting of at least two German partners (a university or non-university research institution and a commercial company) and three Canadian partners (a research centre of the National Research Council, a university and an eligible Canadian company partner)

Duration
2 to 3 years

Funding
up to € 1 million

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

Further information
website of the BMBF

Intercommunal Cooperation to Strengthen a Regional Recycling Economy in Structurally Weak Regions

Aim
The projects should address one or more of the following areas:

- regional recycling of materials and sustainable value chains through inter-municipal cooperation; establishment of pilot plants
- inter-municipal knowledge management to improve regional cycle management and value creation
- integrated concepts for linking technological innovation processes with the spatial development goals of an economic region and with social innovation processes

Each consortium is expected to develop and implement strategies for transfer and exchange with other structurally weak regions.

Target group
regional consortium consisting of at least two municipalities, at least one company or municipal enterprise and at least one university or research institution from the field of recycling management, administrative sciences, law, organisational sciences or related disciplines;

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

Further information
website of the BMBF
ERA-Net Accelerating CCUS Technologies (ACT) – Third Call

**Aim**  The capture, storage and utilisation of carbon dioxide (CCUS for carbon dioxide capture, utilisation and storage) are important pillars of power plant research. Carbon dioxide can be used, for example, in cooling units and air conditioning systems or further processed into fuels or chemicals through conversion processes. Carbon dioxide is thus used sensibly instead of being released into the atmosphere as a climate-damaging gas.

In order to accelerate the development of the necessary technologies and bring them to market maturity, a third call for targeted research and innovation activities in the CCUS area has been published within the European ERA-Net initiative ACT. This is a joint call for proposals by selected Member States of the European Union and other participating regions. All technological, environmental, social and economic challenges required to accelerate the CCS process can be addressed within the funded projects.

**Target group**  collaborative projects in which the applicants come from at least three of the participating countries or regions; preference is given to projects in which an industrial company acts as coordinator

**Duration**  up to 3 years

**Funding**  € 4 to 10 million (for the German participation: around € 3 million)

**Deadline**  10 November 2020 (submission of a project outline; two-step evaluation)

**Further information**  website of the PTJ Jülich

Accelerate Research and Development of urgently needed Vaccines against SARS-CoV-2

**Aim**  Subject of the grant:

- **Clinical vaccine development**  in phases I - III, whereby clinical development must be based on vaccine candidates against SARS-CoV-2 for which preclinical development has progressed to such an extent that the first clinical trials can be started before November 15, 2020, if possible.

- **The early expansion of manufacturing and filling capacities**  (also by awarding contracts). This must involve the establishment or expansion of the grant recipient's own manufacturing and filling capacities in Germany. This includes, in particular, preliminary work and procurement processes that are necessary for the seamless commencement of the respective subsequent trial phase, as well as preliminary work and procurement processes that occur in clinical development prior to approval and are necessary to expand and secure production capacities in parallel with approval and thereafter (e.g. costs for filling capacities).

- The expansion of **clinical trial capacities**  in Germany

**Target group**  individual projects of the research-based pharmaceutical and biotechnological industry; universities and research institutes through procurement

**Duration**  The project needs to end on 31 December 2021 the latest.

**Deadline**  15 July 2020

**Further information**  website of the BMBF
Junior Research Groups in Infection Research

**Aim**
Funding is provided for junior research groups that are conducting research on infectiological issues, in particular on antimicrobial resistance (AMR).

The funding is intended to give particularly suitable young scientists the opportunity to acquire the requirements for an appointment as university lecturer in infection research in the medium term (i.e. after five to seven years).

**Module 1:** Junior clinical groups in infection research
**Module 2:** Non-clinical junior research groups in infection research

**Target group**
Module 1: particularly qualified doctors with a doctorate, preferably still in specialist training, who wish to carry out and supervise their own infectiological research projects in addition to their clinical work (Clinician Scientists), including infection prevention and hospital hygiene.

Module 2: researchers with at least two years of research experience after the PhD.

**Duration**
up to 9 years (5+2+2)

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

**Deadline**
16 November 2020 (submission of a project outline; two-step evaluation)

Further information
website of the [BMBF](#)

Carbon Dioxide Removal

**Aim**
Funding is available for inter- or transdisciplinary research and development projects on the extraction of carbon dioxide (CDR) from the atmosphere to produce "negative emissions". The funding regulations are open to technologies.

The CDR methods to be considered here are targeted anthropogenic activities that are assumed - when the life cycle is considered in its entirety - to be capable of achieving an overall effect on the global atmosphere that removes CO² over the long term. For the purpose of this Directive, a withdrawal period of at least one hundred years should generally be regarded as "long-term". The permanence of the CO² sink itself may be the subject of research projects. The methods studied should have the potential to be used on a relevant scale that achieves a significant climate impact.

**Target group**
preferably collaborative research projects with at least one partner from science

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

Further information
website of the [BMBF](#)
Water Research in the Near and Middle East

Aim Funding is available for research projects in the following thematic fields:
- Technologies to increase water use efficiency;
- Integrated water resources management.

Research proposals must describe how they address the following objectives:
- Improving the water situation in the Near and Middle East. As far as possible, attention should also be paid to transferability to comparable regions;
- support and promote cooperation between the participating countries and between science and practice;
- dissemination of innovative environmental technologies of the participating countries.

Target group module A: multilateral cooperation between research partners from Germany, Israel and at least one other country from the Near and Middle East
module B: multilateral cooperation between research partners from Germany and at least two other countries from the Near and Middle East.

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
additionally up to € 50,000 (module A) € 25,000 (module B) for the participation of countries from the Near and Middle East as well as Israel

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

Further information website of the BMBF

BMBF-Nachwuchswettbewerb NanoMatFutur

Förderung „Gegenstand der Förderung sind Einzelvorhaben an Hochschulen (Universitäten/Fachhochschulen) und außeruniversitären Forschungseinrichtungen, die relevante Fragestellungen der Materialwissenschaft und Werkstofftechnik adressieren und zur weiteren Qualifizierung sowie Förderung der wissenschaftlichen Selbständigkeit der Nachwuchs-forscher geeignet sind. Vorrangig werden solche Forschungsthemen bearbeitet, die eine Zusammenarbeit über die Grenzen der klassischen naturwissenschaftlichen Disziplinen hinweg zwingend erforderlich machen. Die Ingenieurwissenschaften sind dabei explizit einbezogen. Ebenso können notwendige Forschungs- und Entwicklungsarbeiten im Vorfeld der Ausgründung von „Start-up“-Unternehmen gefördert werden.“

Zielgruppe grundlegende, anwendungsorientierte Forschungsarbeiten des vorwettbewerblichen Bereichs, die durch ein hohes wissenschaftlich-technisches Risiko gekennzeichnet sind; NachwuchswissenschaftlerInnen 2 bis 5 Jahre nach PhD

Dauer bis zu 5 Jahre

Förderhöhe bis zu 1,85 Millionen €

Fristende 15. September 2020 & 2021 (Einreichung einer Projektskizze; mehrstufiges Antragsverfahren)

Weitere Informationen Webseite des BMBF
Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy (BMWi)

IraSME: 26th Call for Proposals Open

**Aim**  “The main objective of IraSME is to strengthen the competitive capacity of SMEs by:
- increasing collaboration between SMEs from different countries,
- increasing cooperation between SMEs and RTOs, increasing cooperative and competitive capabilities of SMEs to work in international R&D networks,
- supporting them in developing new products, processes or technical services that exceed the existing state of the art and have good market opportunities by lowering the economical risks.”

**Target group**  at least two SMEs from two different countries/regions; participation of universities is possible but not mandatory

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

**Further information**  website of the BMWi
German Research Foundation (DFG)

German-African Cooperation Projects in Infectiology

**Aim**
“The scope of the call includes:

- The investigation of neglected tropical infectious diseases in humans and animals but also research on topics of their social and behavioural aspects.
- 'Neglected' in this context means that little funding for basic research on these diseases is available.
- The establishment or consolidation of mutually beneficial equal partnerships that allow African researchers to investigate topics of local significance and that open up research opportunities in Africa for German scientists in the long term.
- An additional central goal is to provide support and funding for the academic and professional careers of young African researchers in their home countries in order to contribute to building research capacities in Africa.
- It is furthermore desirable to strengthen research networks within Africa, therefore several African partners may participate in one project.”

**Target group**
joint research projects between scientists in Germany and Africa

**Duration**
3 years

**Funding**
as requested

**Deadline**
28 October 2020 (submission of draft proposals)

**Further information**
website of the DFG

Priority Programme “Early Modern Translation Cultures” (SPP 2130)

**Aim**
The programme aims at an interdisciplinary exploration of the epochal significance of concepts and practices of translation as a central and ubiquitous cultural technique of the early modern period (1450-1800).

In the second funding phase, global contexts as well as regional peculiarities are to be increasingly investigated and both space and time-specific translation criteria are to be subjected to critical revision. The thesis of the profiling of the early modern period as an epoch shaped by translation processes will be examined by reassessing the practices of translation from an intercultural, trans-European and post-colonial perspective.

**Target group**
Applications with a temporal focus on the 15th and 16th centuries or a spatial focus on Eastern Europe, North America and the African continent are particularly welcome.

**Duration**
3 years

**Funding**
as requested

**Deadline**
27 October 2020 (registration for the elan portal until 13 October 2020)

**Further information**
website of the DFG
Um die Förderung im Rahmen der Jubiläumsinitiative des Stifterverbandes "Wirkung hoch 100" können sich Projekte aus den Bereichen Bildung, Wissenschaft und Innovation bewerben. Im Antrag soll dargelegt werden, welche Herausforderung das Projekt adressiert und welchen Beitrag es zur Zukunft des jeweiligen Bereichs leistet. Folgende Fragen müssen im Antrag jeweils beantwortet werden:

- **Bildungsorte 2030**: Wie soll schulisches und außerschulisches Lehren und Lernen von morgen aussehen? Welchen Beitrag leistet Ihr Projekt dazu?
- **Wissenschaftsorte 2030**: Wie soll das wissenschaftliche Lehren, Lernen und Forschen der Zukunft aussehen? Welchen Beitrag leistet Ihr Projekt dazu?
- **Innovationsorte 2030**: Wie sollen Innovationsorte im Jahr 2030 aussehen? Wo und wie entstehen in Zukunft technische, künstlerische oder soziale Innovationen? Welchen Beitrag leistet Ihr Projekt dazu?"

**Zielgruppe**: Projekte, die sich noch in einer frühen Phase befinden und erste Belege für ihre Machbarkeit und Wirksamkeit haben (proof-of-concept)

**Förderhöhe**: 5.000 € sowie ein Coaching und umfassende Vernetzungs- und Unterstützungsangebote

**Fristende**: 14. September 2020

**INTERNEN FRISTEN**:
- bis 3. September 2020: Senden des vollständigen Antrags an a73_Antrag@verw.uni-koeln.de (Informieren der Hochschulleitung durch Abteilung 73)
- Weitere Informationen zum internen Verfahren: https://verwaltung.uni-koeln.de/interneverfahren/

**Weitere Informationen**: Webseite des Stifterverband
Volkswagen Foundation

Symposia and Summer Schools

Funding

“The Volkswagen Foundation did set up the funding initiative “Symposia and Summer Schools” to support events in all subject areas dealing with new ideas and research approaches. The Foundation also aims to encourage innovative event formats as well as new ways of supporting interaction and networking among the participants. […] The symposia, workshops and conferences funded by the Volkswagen Foundation are held in the newly constructed “Herrenhausen Palace” convention center in Hanover.”

Target Group

postdoctoral researchers at universities and research institutions in Germany
prerequisites: interdisciplinary, international context; active participation on the part of both young and experienced researchers; adequate involvement of female researchers (speakers & participants)

Funding

travel expenses for participants actively involved in the event; expenses for accommodation; up to € 500 for non-personnel costs; funds for child care; funds for the publication of papers on the internet; expense allowances for freelancers

Deadline

1 September 2020 (for Symposia; proposals for summer schools can be submitted at any time.)

Further information

Website of the Volkswagen Foundation

German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)

Summer Schools abroad 2021

Funding

The programme is designed to run high-quality summer schools abroad for foreign students and/or doctoral candidates to provide information on Germany as a location for study and research as well as on German culture and regional studies. Eligible measures:

- Mobility and stay of summer school lecturers
- Organisation and implementation of summer schools abroad

Target Group

universities

Duration

1 to 4 weeks (summer school)

Funding

up to € 25,000

Deadline

14 September 2020

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 DAAD
Summer Schools in Germany 2021

**Funding**  The programme is designed to run **high-quality summer schools in Germany for foreign students and/or doctoral candidates** to provide information on Germany as a location for study and research as well as on German culture and regional studies. Eligible measures:

- Mobility and residence of foreign students and doctoral students
- Organisation and implementation of the summer schools in Germany

**Target Group**  universities

**Duration**  1 to 4 weeks (summer school)

**Funding**  up to € 25,000

**Deadline**  14 September 2020

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 DAAD

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Programmes for Project-Related Personal Exchange (PPP)

**Aim**  The PPP programmes aim at strengthening the academic relations between a German institution and an institution abroad. **Joint bi-national research projects** of a high academic standard shall promote cooperative and preferably complementary research activities and shall enable particularly young academics involved in the project to conduct a **research stay at the partner institution abroad**, and thereby support them in their international training.

Calls for proposals are currently open for Australia, France (PROCOPE and PROCOPE PLUS), Canada, Colombia, Croatia, Poland, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Taiwan, Czech Republic, Hungary, USA, Hong Kong and Peru.

**Target group**  German universities, higher education institutions and research institutions

**Duration**  usually 2 years

**Funding**  accommodation and mobility allowances

**Deadline**  different country-specific deadlines in August and September 2020

**Further information**  website of the DAAD
**German–Iraqi Academic Partnerships - Initiation of partnerships 2021**

**Aim** The aim of the programme is to support the development and expansion of the Iraqi higher education landscape. It helps to identify academic partners, initiate university relations between Germany and Iraq and thus create and promote sustainable structures at the partner university(ies). The programme focuses on improving and expanding teaching in the partner country.

Funding is provided for short stays by German and Iraqi university staff and funded individuals for teaching and research purposes as well as for participation in summer schools, seminars, workshops, subject-related events and specialist courses.

**Target group** German universities, higher education institutions and research institutions

**Duration** up to 1 year

**Funding** up to € 25,000

**Deadline** 31 August 2020

**Further information** website of the DAAD

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**Higher education cooperation with Jordan and Lebanon to support Syrian university staff (2021–2022) - Initiation of partnerships**

**Aim** The aim of the programme is to promote cooperation between German universities and research institutes and Jordanian and Lebanese universities, taking into account support for Syrian university staff. The long-term goal of the program is to contribute to the improvement of the teaching quality at Syrian, Jordanian and Lebanese universities and to the internationalization of the participating universities.

Funding will be provided for measures which serve to establish possible subsequent intensified cooperation with the partner institutions in Jordan and Lebanon or which serve further training measures to improve the quality of teaching in Jordan, Lebanon and Syria, such as joint specialist events (e.g. meetings, seminars, workshops and conferences), the planning, development and/or implementation of digital teaching services, the exchange of lecturers and scientists, network meetings etc.

**Target group** German universities, higher education institutions and research institutions

**Duration** up to 2 years

**Funding** up to € 200,000

**Deadline** 31 August 2020

**Further information** website of the DAAD
PAJAKO - Partnerships with Japan and Korea 2021-2022

**Aim**  The focus is on consolidating existing and initiating new bi- or trilateral scientific partnerships with Japan and Korea within the framework of a partnership agreement between a German scientific institution and a Japanese and/or Korean institution. Special emphasis is placed on the qualification of early-career academics. Funding is provided for shorter research stays and study, research or training measures at the partner university or universities.

**Target group**  German universities, higher education institutions and research institutions

**Duration**  up to 2 years

**Funding**  bilateral partnership: up to € 52,500  
trilateral partnership: up to € 87,500

**Deadline**  31 August 2020

**Further information**  website of the DAAD

Partnership Program with Kyoto University 2021-2022

**Aim**  The focus is on consolidating existing partnerships and initiating new partnerships between German universities and Kyoto University within the framework of an existing partnership agreement or a declaration of intent to enter into a partnership. Special emphasis is placed on the qualification of early-career academics. Funding is provided for short-term research stays.

**Target group**  German universities, higher education institutions and research institutions

**Duration**  short-term research stays between 01/01/2021 and 31/12/2022

**Funding**  usually up to € 10,000

**Deadline**  16 September 2020

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 DAAD
Partnership Program with Tsukuba University 2021-2022

**Aim**  The focus is on consolidating existing partnerships and initiating new partnerships between German universities and Tsukuba University within the framework of an existing partnership agreement or a declaration of intent to enter into a partnership. Special emphasis is placed on the qualification of early-career academics. Funding is provided for short-term research stays.

**Target group**  German universities, higher education institutions and research institutions

**Duration**  short-term research stays between 01/01/2021 and 31/12/2022

**Funding**  usually up to € 22,500

**Deadline**  16 September 2020

**Further information**  website of the DAAD

Partnership Program with Waseda University 2021-2022

**Aim**  The focus is on consolidating existing partnerships and initiating new partnerships between German universities and Waseda University within the framework of an existing partnership agreement or a declaration of intent to enter into a partnership. Special emphasis is placed on the qualification of early-career academics. Funding is provided for short-term research stays.

**Target group**  German universities, higher education institutions and research institutions

**Duration**  short-term research stays between 01/01/2021 and 31/12/2022

**Funding**  usually up to € 22,500

**Deadline**  16 September 2020

**Further information**  website of the DAAD
University-Business-Partnerships between higher education institutions and business partners in Germany and in developing countries as part of the Special initiative “Training and Job Creation”

**Funding**

“Programme objective 1: Partner institutions of higher education offer degree programmes related to the labour market, including relevant research projects that are cutting-edge and correspond to the local context […]

Programme objective 2: Higher education institutions establish accompanying services related to the labour market, such as career fairs, transfer centres, or career centres

Programme objective 3: **Practice-related research projects** on relevant topics are initiated and implemented

Programme objective 4: German higher education institutions have acquired expertise in development cooperation

Programme objective 5: Development-related, subject-specific networks are established between participating institutions of higher education, institutions and partners in industry”

**Target Group**

University teachers, non-professorial teaching staff, graduates (e.g. PhD students) and students from Germany and **Ethiopia, Morocco, Tunisia, Ghana, Ivory Coast, Ruanda and Senegal**. The application is to be submitted by a German higher education institution.

**Duration** up to 4 years

**Funding** up to € 720,000

**Deadline** 8 September 2020

**Further information** Website of the **DAAD**

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**Foundation for Polish Science**

**Alexander von Humboldt Polish Honorary Research Scholarship**

**Funding**

„Scholarships are awarded to outstanding German scholars with the highest qualifications and a significant contribution to global research, as recognition for their previous research achievements and in order to permit them to conduct scientific research at a selected institution in Poland. […]

This fellowship is the counterpart of the Humboldt-Forschungspreis, a prestigious award given to international researchers by Germany’s Alexander von Humboldt Foundation.”

**Target Group** eminent German scientists with the highest qualifications and significant contributions to global research

**Duration** 3 to 6 months

**Funding** € 4,000 monthly

**Deadline** 30 September 2020 (nominations through a Polish researcher)

**Further information** Website of the **foundation**
Gerda Henkel Foundation

Special Programme Security, Society and the State

Funding „The “Security, Society and the State” research programme […] targets new security-related issues that are prime examples of the post-Cold-War era but have been largely neglected in mainstream research. The programme is intended to encourage junior scholars to pursue unconventional research agendas that are nonetheless crucial, while providing senior scholars with the opportunity to focus intensively on work in progress for a limited period. Moreover, the objective is to combine basic theoretical research with concepts that are applicable to present-day political issues of security policy.”

Target Group universities, other research institutes or comparable institutions as well as by one or several Postdocs or scholars with Post Doctoral Lecture Qualification

Duration up to 2 years

Funding personnel costs, family grant, travel aid, material aid

Deadline 30 November 2020

Further information Website of the foundation
FUNDING FOR EARLY CAREER RESEARCHERS

German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)

Postdoctoral Researchers International Mobility Experience (PRIME)

Funding  "With funds from the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), the DAAD PRIME programme funds temporary positions at German universities to support the international mobility of postdoctoral researchers. Postdoctoral researchers who see their long-term career perspectives in Germany receive funding for a research stay abroad based on a temporary position at a German university. In addition to the stay abroad, the funding also includes a mandatory return phase for subsequent reintegration into the German science system."

Target Group  applicants with *above-average qualifications* from *all faculties*; doctorate with very good results

Duration  **18 months** (12 months abroad & 6 months reintegration phase in Germany)

Funding  salary: temporary 18-month employment contract at a German university according to pay scale TV-L EG 13; *expatriate allowance* for the research stay abroad; based on an area classification of the destination and the gross income of the fellows; lump-sum *travel allowance*

Deadline  **31 August 2020**

Further information  Website of the [DAAD](http://www.daad.org)

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*Note: The above text is a natural representation of the document content.*
**Prizes**

An overview of the most important science awards is available [here](#).

**German Research Foundation (DFG)**

**Heinz Maier-Leibniz Prize**

**Aim**

The DFG has been awarding the prize to *early-career researchers* in recognition of *outstanding achievements* since 1977. It is intended to support and encourage the prize winners to pursue their scientific careers. The prize is not intended as an appreciation of the dissertation alone; rather, the recipients have *already developed an independent scientific profile* after completing their doctorates.

**Target group**

early-career researchers up to *8 years* after the PhD

**Endowment**

10 prizes of *€ 20,000* each

**Deadline**

31 July 2020

**INTERNAL DEADLINE:**

by *6 July 2020*: sending of the required documents of the scientist to be nominated, if possible in GERMAN AND ENGLISH (short appraisal (max. one page, German OR English), scientific CV, list of publications, the five most important publications) by a university professor to s.kloppenburg@verw.uni-koeln.de

Further information regarding the internal procedure is available at https://verwaltung.uni-koeln.de/interneverfahren/.

Further information

website of the prize

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**Wolfgang Ritter Foundation**

**Wolfgang Ritter Prize 2021**

**Aim**

We distinguish works that deal with *business in the market economy*. This includes in particular:

- value-oriented management and corporate responsibility
- ecological, social and economic sustainability
- Globalisation and international economy
- Areas of the operational theory of function

The topics can be examined in a general form or in relation to entrepreneurial sub-functions.

**Target group**

national and international scientific work not older than *2 years*; early-career researchers welcome

**Endowment**

up to *€ 20,000*

**Deadline**

2 October 2020

Further information

website of the prize
Roman Herzog Institut

Roman Herzog Prize for Social Market Economy

Aim  RHI's aim is to **reassert the ethical principles of the social market economy**, which are not only based on competition and profit maximisation, but also on solidarity and responsibility committed to the common good. The award is intended to support researchers and pioneers who work on this topic scientifically and present it in an excellent way that is easy to understand.

Target group  researchers not older than **40 years** and up to **3 years** after the PhD

Endowment  in total **€ 35,000**

Deadline  **31 December 2020**

Further information  website of the [prize](#)

The Volvo Environment Prize Foundation

Volvo Environment Prize

Aim  “Since the first award in 1990 the Volvo Environment Prize has become one of the scientific world’s most respected environmental prizes. Laureates represent **all fields of environmental and sustainability studies** and initiatives.

The Volvo Environment Prize is awarded by an independent foundation. A Scientific Committee does the initial screening and evaluation of candidates. The International Prize Jury, a group of internationally renowned scientists, makes the final selection of prize laureate.”

Target group  “The span of disciplines and activities for which nominations can be made is wide and includes all disciplines which have relevance to the environment. The research of nominees should be based on scientific grounds but must clearly show impacts outside of the specific discipline.”

Endowment  hand-crafted diploma, a glass sculpture and a cash award for SEK 1.5 million (approximately **€ 140,000**)

Deadline  **10 January 2021** (only nominations)

Further information  website of the [prize](#)
**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
MISCELLANEOUS

ERC: First Calls in Horizon Europe
The ERC Executive Agency (ERCEA) has informed the ERC National Contact Points about the planned dates for the first ERC calls in Horizon Europe. The prerequisite for this is that Horizon Europe starts as planned on January 1, 2021. So far, the ERC has announced the provisional dates for the deadlines as follows: ERC Starting Grant on 9 March 2021, ERC Consolidator Grants on 20 April 2021, ERC Advanced Grants on 31 August 2021. There will be no ERC Synergy Grant call for proposals in 2021. Further information is available here.

Horizon Europe: Interim mission reports published
The European Commission yesterday presented the interim reports for the missions newly planned in the upcoming research framework programme Horizon Europe in the fields of cancer, adaptation to climate change, healthy oceans, climate-neutral cities and healthy soils and food. The reports have been prepared by experts in the respective mission boards with public participation. They will serve as a basis for a further dialogue with citizens over the summer to ensure that the proposed missions are in line with the priorities and ideas of EU citizens and to define the actions and strategies needed to achieve the mission objectives. (Source: KoWi Newsletter) Further information is available here.

C³RDM: Mailing List on Research Data Management (FDM)
The Cologne Competence Center for Research Data Management (C³RDM) has set up a moderated mailing list in order to provide a networking and discussion platform on RDM issues for researchers at the University of Cologne. To subscribe to the mailing list please use the following link: https://lists.uni-koeln.de/mailman/listinfo/c3rdm-network. Further information on research data management at the University of Cologne is available here.

D7 Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) update: current deadline postponements & information on ongoing third-party projects
We have listed extensions of deadlines for calls for proposals due to the Corona pandemic as well as information of the different funding organisations on ongoing third-party projects on our website. In addition to that, you can find an overview on current calls for proposals relating to various research opportunities on the pandemic. Further information is available here.

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

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

16.07.2020  
ERC Proof of Concept  
Online

24.-26.11.2020  
EU-Kompakt I: Einführung in die EU-Forschungsförderung  
Bonn
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