Current Calls for Proposals from National, European and International Third-Party Funding Sources
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Zielgruppe: interdisziplinäre Verbünde
Dauer: k.A.
Förderhöhe: k.A.
Fristende: 18. September 2020 (Einreichung einer Projektvisie; mehrstufiges Antragsverfahren)
Weitere Informationen: Webseite des BMBF

Ressourcenneffiziente Kreislaufwirtschaft – Kunststoffrecyclingtechnologien (KuRT)


Zielgruppe: Verbundvorhaben im Bereich der angewandten bzw. industriellen Forschung
Dauer: Konzeptphase: bis zu 9 Monate | Umsetzungsphase: i.d.R. 3 bis 5 Jahre
Förderhöhe: Konzeptphase: bis zu 150.000 €
Umsetzungsphase: projekbezogenen Personal-, Reise- und Sachaufwand, Unter- aufträge, Dienstleistungen sowie für Geräteinvestitionen
Fristende: 30. Oktober 2020 (Einreichung einer Projektvisie; mehrstufiges Antragsverfahren)
Weitere Informationen: Webseite des BMBF
Setting up a German Centre for Mental Health

Aim
The aim of the funding is to develop an overall scientific concept that meets the requirements of an internationally competitive German Centre for Mental Health with regard to its strategic orientation, the appropriateness of its research priorities and infrastructure, the promotion of early-career researchers and its ability to be implemented.

The purpose of this measure is to bring together the most efficient German institutions in the field of mental health research in order to coordinate their work on an interdisciplinary basis. Through integration and strategic orientation, an added value is achieved that significantly exceeds the sum of the contributions of the individual members.

Target group
A location of the German Centre can consist of several regionally neighbouring and, if necessary, more distant partner institutions or even of a single institution.

Deadline
20 November 2020 (selection of the locations of the future German Centre for Mental Health)

Further information
website of the BMBF

Setting up a German Centre for Child and Adolescent Health

Aim
In order to make a strong German contribution to the development of this research field, the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) intends to establish a German Centre for Child and Adolescent Health.

With this announcement, universities, university hospitals, non-university research institutions and departmental research institutes are called upon to participate in the competitive procedure for selecting the sites of the future German Centre for Child and Adolescent Health and thus to apply for participation in the concept development phase.

Target group
A location may consist of several regionally neighbouring and possibly more distant partner institutions or a single institution.

Deadline
20 November 2020 (selection of the locations of the future German Centre for Child and Adolescent Health)

Further information
website of the BMBF
Research and development projects between Germany and Uzbekistan

**Aim** Funding is provided for research projects (collaborative projects) that work on the following priority topics in international cooperation with partners from Uzbekistan:

- sustainable urban and rural development
- climate and environmental sciences, especially sustainable technologies for the development, use, regeneration and conservation of resources and waste management
- sustainable agriculture
- new materials and modern construction technologies, including innovative technologies for preserving cultural heritage
- safe, clean and efficient energy.

**Target group** consortium together with at least one eligible Uzbek institution researchers from all disciplines who can make relevant contributions to the identified thematic areas; joint project proposals that are both interdisciplinary in nature and investigate socio-economic aspects

**Duration** up to 2 years

**Funding** up to € 200,000 for the German partner | up to € 70,000 for the Uzbek partner

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

**Further information** website of the BMBF

Projects in the Science Year 2020/21 - Bioeconomy

**Aim** With this second funding line for the Science Year 2020/21, the aim is again to fund science communication projects that address the topics and fields of action of the Science Year Bioeconomy. Funding will be provided for knowledge-providing and informative formats, participatory and dialogue-oriented projects that strengthen the exchange between science and the public on the topic of the bioeconomy, nationwide but also regionally mobilising formats and trans- and interdisciplinary projects that link different partners and create synergies.

**Target group** individual or collaborative projects that are oriented towards the goals of the Science Year 2020/21 and have as target groups the general and interested public, children and young people, students, early career researchers and/or multipliers in science, education, culture, media and politics

**Duration** not specified

**Funding** from € 20,000 to € 150,000

**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
Generation of Synthetic Data for Artificial Intelligence

**Aim**
With this guideline, the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) will support interdisciplinary projects that aim to improve methods and (simulation) models or the basic research-oriented development of new methods for the generation of realistic data sets (synthetic data) that can be used as generally as possible for relevant fields of application that can be used for the generation and validation of AI models. A further application is the anonymisation of given personal data sets. The funding of collaborative projects is intended to strengthen the transfer between science and industry to the benefit of both parties.

**Target group**
collaborative projects of partners from science and industry in interdisciplinary composition, in justified exceptional cases also individual projects

**Duration**
up to 2 years

**Funding**
up to € 1,5 million

**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

Strategic Project Funding with South Korea with the Participation of Science and Industry ("2 + 2" projects) on the topic of Changing Energy Policy

**Aim**
Under this funding measure, funding will be provided for research projects as collaborative projects which address one or more of the following topics in international cooperation with partners from South Korea:

Theme 1: Materials and technologies for electrical and electrochemical storage, in particular novel batteries

Theme 2: Energy-efficient city: sector coupling in cities and neighbourhoods and corresponding digital solutions

The projects should have a high practical relevance and show strategies for the implementation of the research results in politics, society and economy. Furthermore, they should provide insights and exploitable research results that lead to new technologies, products and/or services.

**Target group**
at least one German and one Korean university or research institution and at least one German and one Korean research company from the commercial sector or industrial partners, especially small or medium-sized enterprises (SMEs)

**Duration**
up to 3 years

**Funding**
up to € 600,000 for the German partner

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

**Further information**
website of the BMBF
13th German - Israeli Call for Proposals for Joint R&D Projects

**Aim**
“Germany and Israel 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 market potential for Germany, Israel and Europe. Partners apply for their R&D project for a EUREKA label, a pan European network for market-oriented R&D.”

**Target group**
At least one Israeli and one German commercial company; participation of research institutes/universities as additional participants or subcontractors

**Duration**
Not specified

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

**Deadline**
25 November 2020

**Further information**
Website of the BMWi

3rd Call for Proposals for Joint Research and Development Projects between German and Singaporean Companies

**Aim**
“Germany and Singapore are announcing a call for proposals for joint research and development ("R&D") projects, focused on the development of 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 processes that have strong market potential.”

**Target group**
At least one Singaporean and one German small and medium-sized Enterprise (SME); research institutes and additional companies as additional cooperation partners or subcontractors

**Duration**
Up to 2 years

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

**Deadline**
25 November 2020

**Further information**
Website of the BMWi
Optimized network operation in transmission and distribution networks (OptiNet I)

Aim
The measure supports projects that improve cooperation, collaboration and information exchange, in particular between transmission and distribution system operators, in order to (1) allow for a higher share of renewable energy through higher utilisation of electricity networks, (2) reduce operating and investment costs of TSOs and TSOs, and (3) promote network-related contributions from decentralised installations, in particular in the area of system services.

Target group
collaborative project under the leadership of an industrial partner

Duration 3 to 4 years

Funding not specified

Deadline 31 October 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 BMWi
Setting up Training Networks

Aim  Training associations are networks in which several companies as well as players in the training landscape and regional labour market players enter into cooperation, so that training measures can be organised and carried out beyond company boundaries in a resource-saving manner. The focus here is particularly on the exchange between the partners of a network, the identification of the need for training in the companies as well as the consultation on and research for suitable training offers or the conception of new training measures according to the needs of the companies.

The aim of the continuing training networks is to support SMEs in particular in planning, organising and structuring continuing vocational training for their employees. The enterprises are to be supported in setting up or expanding networks for continuing vocational training in order, among other things, to be able to use the experience of other enterprises, training and counselling centres and institutional facilities for the design of their own strategic personnel development planning and, in particular, continuing training planning.

Target group  collaborative projects
Duration  up to 3 years
Funding  up to €1 million, at least 30% of the total eligible expenditure through own or third-party funding
Deadline  25 August 2020 (submission of a project outline; two-step evaluation)
Further information  website of the BMAS
Förderung von Maßnahmen zur Anpassung an den Klimawandel

„Mit dem Programm „Maßnahmen zur Anpassung an den Klimawandel“ fördert das Bundesumweltministerium Projekte, die Antworten auf die Folgen der Erderwärmung wie Hitzeperioden, Hochwasser oder Starkregenereignisse liefern und die Anpassung an den Klimawandel unterstützen. Gefördert werden lokale und kommunale Akteure, Vereine und mittelständische Betriebe sowie Bildungseinrichtungen in den drei folgenden Förderschwerpunkten:

- Förderschwerpunkt 1: Anpassungskonzepte für Unternehmen
- Förderschwerpunkt 2: Entwicklung von Bildungsmodulen zu Klimawandel und Klimaanpassung
- Förderschwerpunkt 3: Kommunale Leuchtturmvorhaben sowie Aufbau von lokalen und regionalen Kooperationen.

Zielgruppe

- Förderschwerpunkt 1: Unternehmen
- Förderschwerpunkt 2: Bildungsträger
- Förderschwerpunkt 3: Vorhaben mit Teilnahme einer Kommune als Verbund- oder Kooperationspartner

Dauer

- bis zu 2 Jahre (Förderschwerpunkt 2)

Förderhöhe

- bis zu 200.000 € (Förderschwerpunkt 2)

Fristende

- 31. Oktober 2020 (Einreichung einer Projektskizze; mehrstufiges Antragsverfahren)

Weitere Informationen

- Webseite der Zukunft Umwelt Gesellschaft
**Pre-announcement of the NCN-DFG Calls for Joint Polish-German Proposals**

| **Aim** | “Following up on their previous three successful rounds, the National Science Centre (NCN) and Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG) continue their cooperation by launching joint funding initiatives for Polish-German research projects, now covering all fields of science and the humanities.” |
| **Target group** | Polish-German research teams |
| **Duration** | 2 or 3 years |
| **Funding** | as requested |
| **Deadline** | 10 November 2020 (registration for the elan portal until 27 October 2020) |
| **Further information** | website of the DFG |

**Neues Abkommen für die gemeinsame Antragstellung mit der Autonomen Provinz Bozen – Südtirol**

| **Förderung** | „Die Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG) und die Landesregierung der Autonomen Provinz Bozen – Südtirol (im Folgenden: „Land Südtirol“) haben ein gemeinsames Abkommen unterzeichnet, das die Antragstellung für Kooperationsprojekte zwischen Wissenschaftlerinnen und Wissenschaftlern aus Deutschland und Südtirol ermöglicht. Projekstanträge können im Rahmen der Sachbeihilfe in allen Fachdisziplinen gestellt werden.“ |
| **Zielgruppe** | Kooperationsprojekte zwischen WissenschaftlerInnen aus Deutschland und Südtirol |
| **Förderhöhe** | je nach Beantragung |
| **Fristende** | laufend (Sachbeihilfe) |
| **Weitere Informationen** | Webseite der DFG |
Priority Programme “Ferroptosis: from Molecular Basics to Clinical Applications”

Aim “[...] the overarching goal of the Priority Programme is to offer support for highly interdisciplinary projects at the forefront of ferroptosis research with a strong mechanistic aspect and a clear focus on ferroptosis-relevant diseases. Projects within the programme will define:

- novel pathways and metabolic networks directly regulating ferroptosis and susceptibility to lipid peroxidation
- molecular mechanisms of ferroptosis and its (patho)physiological consequences
- cellular states and molecular markers that determine sensitivity to ferroptosis
- novel pharmacological targets and development of chemical tools and clinically applicable biomarkers to be exploited for ferroptosis modulation [...]”

Target group collaborative research
Duración 3 years
Funding as requested
Deadline 28 October 2020 (registration for the elan portal until 14 October 2020)
Further information website of the DFG

Priority Programme “META-REP: A Meta-scientific Programme to Analyse and Optimise Replicability in the Behavioural, Social, and Cognitive Sciences” (SPP 2317)

Aim “The behavioural, social, and cognitive sciences are in the midst of an intensive debate about the replicability of their empirical findings. Shaken by the results of many replication projects that have been conducted in recent years, scholars have begun discussing what replicability actually means and when a replication can be regarded as successful vs. failed, whether low replication rates are caused by too many false positive findings in the literature, methodological weaknesses in the replication studies, measurement issues, and/or the underappreciated influence of contextual effects, and what can be done to effectively and sustainably secure a high level of replicability in the behavioural, social, and cognitive sciences.

The Priority Programme aims to contribute significantly to this debate by

- describing and defining “replication” (including “successful” vs. “failed” replications) across different scientific disciplines (the “what” question),
- explaining why replication rates vary across and within different disciplines (the “why” question), and
- evaluating measures that have been proposed and implemented to increase replication rates (the “how” question)."

Target group individual or small-scale collaborative research projects
Duration 3 years
Funding as requested
Deadline 2 December 2020 (registration for the elan portal until 18 November 2020)
Further information website of the DFG
Priority Programme “Atmospheric and Earth System Research with the High Altitude and Long Range Research Aircraft (HALO)” (SPP 1294)

Aim  “Funds provided within the Priority Programme help to develop high-tech sensors and instruments, and to implement them for atmospheric studies. HALO enables Earth System research on a high international level. Main foci of the scientific investigations are:

- sources, properties and processing of aerosol particles,
- formation, evolution and radiative effects of clouds and precipitation,
- transport and dynamics in the Troposphere and lower Stratosphere,
- transport and transformation of chemical composition, and
- atmospheric coupling processes.”

Duration 3 years
Funding as requested
Deadline 23 October 2020 (registration for the elan portal until 9 October 2020)
Further information website of the DFG

Priority Programme “New Concepts in Prokaryotic Virus-host Interactions – From Single Cells to Microbial Communities” (SPP 2330)

Aim  “The goal of this Priority Programme is to open up new horizons and opportunities for discovering fundamentally new concepts and mechanisms in biology by focusing on three scales of complexity of viral organisation: viral cell biology, new unicellular and multicellular anti-viral defences, and viral impact on microbial communities.

Projects to be funded have to address one of the following aspects with a special emphasis on the discovery of new concepts and mechanisms in prokaryotic virus-host interaction:

- Cellular organisation and regulation of the viral infection cycle, such as elucidation of key factors (proteins, RNAs or small molecules) involved in the spatiotemporal control of the viral infection cycle, viral communication and compartmentalisation.
- Novel anti-viral defence systems (beyond CRISPR) in prokaryotes acting at the unicellular and multicellular levels as well as their interaction and complementation.
- Viral impact on microbial communities, interaction with biofilms, co-evolutionary dynamics, and prokaryotic virus-host networks.”

Target group interdisciplinary cooperation of researchers in molecular microbiology, biochemistry, bioinformatics, mathematical modelling, imaging techniques, as well as structural biology

Duration 3 years
Funding as requested
Deadline 1 September 2020 (submission of a summary)
7 December 2020 (registration for the elan portal until 23 November 2020)
Further information website of the DFG
Priority Programme “Systems Ecology of Soils – Energy Discharge Modulated by Microbiome and Boundary Conditions (SoilSystems)” (SPP 2322)

**Aim** “The premise of the Priority Programme is that soil ecosystem structure, function, and stability are controlled by energy dissipation and that the flux of matter and energy through SOM is modulated by the microbiome leading to the main hypotheses:

A: The microbiome drives and modulates energy dissipation and matter turnover along various biological “energy use channels”. […]

B: Energy and matter input, discharge, and consumption in the soil system affect biological complexity […].

C: The boundary conditions and mineral matrix (microhabitat structure) shape soil energy and matter dynamics and are altered by interactions with the soil biota resulting in thermodynamic optimality states. […]

Individual projects and project clusters, respectively, should address these hypotheses with a clear focus on soil organic carbon related to microbial ecology. This should encompass at least one of the topics: energy dissipation and matter fluxes in microbial communities and trophic networks, energy and general carbon use efficiency in comparison to microbial growth yields, integration of thermodynamic principles, substrate ecological stoichiometry and energy use limitations, steady state levels and gradients (water, substrate and energy fluxes) as well as boundary conditions.”

**Target group** interdisciplinary teams representing expertise from soil biogeochemistry, microbiology, ecology, molecular biology, thermodynamics, biophysics, bioinformatics, statistics, and modelling

**Duration** 3 years

**Funding** as requested

**Deadline** 15 December 2020 (registration for the elan portal until 1 December 2020)

**Further information** website of the DFG
Priority Programme “Creation of Synergies in Tailor-made Mixtures of Heterogeneous Powders: Hetero Aggregations of Particulate Systems and Their Properties” (SPP 2289)

**Aim**  “In the first three years of the Priority Programme the recursive approach is dominant, in which the material system of the hetero-aggregates is adapted to the process measurement technology and the characterisation procedures of hetero-aggregates and their populations. Specific emphases are:

- on the establishment of aerosol processes for the defined generation of hetero-aggregates, which can also be adapted to process diagnostics for the detection of mixing processes < 1 µm,
- the derivation of particulate sampling trains from fast aggregation processes,
- the establishment of tomographic methods for the characterisation of hetero-aggregates with sizes < 1 µm, and
- their mathematical framework for the description of hetero-aggregates as well as
- the establishment of process models and simulations covering mixture lengths < 1 µm.”

**Duration**  3 years

**Funding**  as requested

**Deadline**  10 November 2020  (registration for the elan portal until 27 October 2020)

**Further information**  website of the DFG

Priority Programme “Machine Learning in Chemical Engineering. Knowledge Meets Data: Interpretability, Extrapolation, Reliability, Trust” (SPP 2331)

**Aim**  “In 2020 the Senate of the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG, German Research Foundation) established the Priority Programme “Machine Learning in Chemical Engineering. Knowledge Meets Data: Interpretability, Extrapolation, Reliability, Trust” (SPP 2331). The programme brings together the chemical engineering (CE) and machine learning (ML) communities. By teaming chemical engineers with mathematicians and/or computer scientists, progress in all disciplines is expected. […] The projects shall consider at least one of six areas: 1. optimal decision making, 2. introducing/enforcing physical laws in ML models, 3. heterogeneity of data, 4. information and knowledge representation, 5. safety and trust in ML applications, and 6. creativity. The projects will be organised in a matrix between the areas of CE and the ML tasks.”

**Target group**  tandem proposals with at least two applicants with corresponding expertise

**Duration**  3 years

**Funding**  as requested

**Deadline**  19 January 2021  (registration for the elan portal until 5 January 2021)

**Further information**  website of the DFG
Priority Programme “Theoretical Foundations of Deep Learning” (SPP 2298)

Aim  “The key goal of this Priority Programme is the development of a comprehensive theoretical foundation of deep learning. The research within the programme will be structured along three complementary points of view, namely

- the statistical point of view regarding neural network training as a statistical learning problem and studying expressivity, learning, optimisation, and generalisation,
- the applications point of view focusing on safety, robustness, interpretability, and fairness, and
- the mathematical methodologies point of view developing and theoretically analysing novel deep learning-based approaches to solve inverse problems and partial differential equations.”

Target group  interdisciplinary collaboration between mathematics, statistics and computer science

Duration  3 years

Funding  as requested

Deadline  30 November 2020  (registration for the elan portal until 16 November 2020)

Further information  website of the DFG
**FOUNDATIONS AND OTHER FUNDING BODIES**

**Volkswagen Foundation**

**World Knowledge – Structural Support for "Rare Subjects"**

**Aim**
“The so-called “rare subjects” ("kleine Fächer") often represent a comprehensive, significant and future-oriented canon of knowledge of high relevance for interdisciplinarity, internationality, and innovation. Their complex subject matter enable them to address issues from a multiperspectival view, thereby contributing in a crucial way towards a multi-layered exploration of the world and a holistic "world knowledge". At the same time, these knowledge domains are often characterized by precarious structures inside the universities. For this reason, the funding offer aims at a sustainable strengthening of structurally precarious knowledge domains in research and teaching.”

**Target group**
tenured professors of "rare subjects" at universities in Germany

**Duration**
up to 7 years

**Funding**
up to € 1 million

**Deadline**
12 April 2020 (Please note: deadline postponed from 16 September 2020)

**UPDATED INTERNAL DEADLINE: 29 March 2020 (postponed from 2 September 2020)**

(1) Universities are expected to make a substantial contribution, particularly in relation to the personnel resources applied for. Applicants must therefore agree on this contribution with their faculties in advance. We have prepared a template on which the faculties can briefly explain this.

(2) The university management must emphasise the importance of the application for the university in an institutional declaration. For these declarations we would like to refer to statements or keywords of the applicants. Please submit these documents to the Department 7 Research Management (d7.beratung@verw.uni-koeln.de) by 29 March 2020 at the latest.

Further information as well as the template is available at [https://verwaltung.uni-koeln.de/interneverfahren](https://verwaltung.uni-koeln.de/interneverfahren)

Further information website of the Volkswagen Foundation
Experiment! – In search of bold research ideas

**Aim**  “The exploration of exceptionally daring new ideas is not yet really a focal point of the research agenda in Germany, as far as facing challenges and radically transforming common wisdom are concerned. This often requires to establish **counter-intuitive hypotheses** as well as **unconventional methodologies or technologies**, and to **focus on entirely new research approaches.** The Volkswagen Foundation’s funding initiative 'Experiment!' tries to pave the way for fundamentally new research topics even though the outcome may be contingent. A concept failure as well as unexpected findings are an acceptable result.”

**Target group** postdoctoral researchers and professors in science and engineering as well as in the life sciences (including immediately neighbouring disciplines in the behavioural sciences); optionally international partners

**Duration** up to 18 months

**Funding** up to € 120,000 (flexible use)

**Deadline** 15 September 2020

**Further information** website of the Volkswagen Foundation
FUNDING FOR EARLY CAREER RESEARCHERS

Volkswagen Foundation

Freigeist Fellowships

Funding „The Freigeist funding initiative provides an opportunity for outstandingly qualified, creative and independent early career researchers to conduct their own research. It aims to encourage exceptional research personalities to embark on visionary, risk-taking research projects at the intersections between established fields of research. The flexible funding scheme and clear time frame are designed to ensure maximum support for their self-chosen research topic and thus help them develop an entirely independent research profile.”

Target Group outstanding early-career researchers up to four years after the PhD who wish to carry out research at the boundaries between established fields of research; completed change of academic environment and research sojourn abroad

Duration up to 5 (+3) years or 6 (+2) years

Funding up to € 2,2 million for two funding phases

Deadline 1 April 2021 (deadlines 2020/21 will be merged)

Further information website of the Volkswagen Foundation

Hans Böckler Foundation

Maria Weber Grant

Funding The Maria Weber Grant serves to support outstanding researchers in the post-doc phase. With the Maria Weber Grant, the Hans Böckler Foundation supports a replacement for junior professors and post-doctoral researchers in the qualification phase (HabilitandInnen) for one or two semesters.

Target Group junior professors and postdoctoral researchers in the qualification phase (HabilitandInnen); junior professors must already have undergone a positive interim evaluation at the time of application. candidates in the qualification phase (HabilitandInnen) must submit a professional report, and the Hans Böckler Foundation will also initiate a peer review process.

Duration up to 1 year (one or two semesters)

Funding € 20,000 per semester (for at least half an E13 position)

Deadline 15 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 Hans Böckler Foundation
Human Frontier Science Program (HFSP)

Postdoctoral Fellowships

**Funding**  “The HFSP fellowship program supports proposals for frontier, potentially transformative research in the life sciences. Applications for high-risk projects are particularly encouraged. [...] HFSP postdoctoral fellowships encourage early career scientists to broaden their research skills by moving into new areas of study while working in a new country. [...] Two different fellowship programs are available:  

- **Long-Term Fellowships (LTF)** are for applicants with a Ph.D. in a biological discipline, who will broaden their expertise by proposing a project in the life sciences which is significantly different from their previous Ph.D. or postdoctoral work.  
- **Cross-Disciplinary Fellowships (CDF)** are for applicants with a Ph.D. from outside the life sciences (e.g. in physics, chemistry, mathematics, engineering or computer sciences).”

**Target Group** postdocs up to three years after the PhD; at least one lead author, full-length research paper

**Duration** up to 3 years

**Funding** living allowance, child allowance, parental leave allowance, research and travel allowance, relocation allowance

**Deadline** 13 August 2020 (initiation deadline) | 27 August 2020 (submission deadline)

**Further information** website of [HFSP](http://www.hfsp.org)

Boehringer Ingelheim Foundation

**Plus 3 Perspectives Programme**

**Funding**  “With its Plus 3 funding programme, the Boehringer Ingelheim Foundation aims to support outstanding junior group leaders in Germany conducting basic research in biology, chemistry, and medicine. It enables them to optimally use the productive phase of their first temporary position as research group leaders as a springboard toward obtaining a professorship in an excellent research environment.”

**Target Group** junior research group leaders up to 12 years after the PhD, substantial international experience; leading the first independent research group at an academic institution in Germany for at least 2, but no longer than 5 years

**Duration** up to 3 years

**Funding** up to €900,000 of core funding for a research team

**Deadline** 15 September 2020

**Further information** website of the [foundation](http://www.boehringer-ingelheim-foundation.de)
Deutsches Historisches Institut Rom (DHI Rom)

**Stipendien**

**Förderung** „Das DHI Rom vergibt im Rahmen seiner Aufgaben Stipendien zur Ausbildung wissenschatlicher Nachwuchskräfte in den Bereichen *Geschichte* und * Musikgeschichte*. Das DHI Rom bietet im Rahmen seiner Stipendienordnung verschiedene Programme an: Forschungsstipendien, Reisestipendien und Stipendien zur Stellung eines Antrages auf Drittmittelförderung. […]

**Forschungsstipendium:** Das Forschungsstipendium wird zu *Studien in Archiven und Bibliotheken* in Italien gewährt, die für *Qualifikationsarbeiten* (Doktorarbeiten oder Habilitationsschriften) notwendig sind.

**Reisestipendium:** Das Reisestipendium ermöglicht *Studien in Archiven und Bibliotheken*, die für *Qualifikationsarbeiten* (Doktorarbeiten oder Habilitationsschriften) und für wissenschaftliche Arbeiten mit Italienbezug notwendig sind.

**Stipendium zur Stellung eines Antrages auf Drittmittelförderung:** Anspruchsvolle und innovative Forschungsprojekte, die am DHI Rom angebunden werden sollen, können zielgerichtet gefördert werden, um Antragsreife für eine Drittmittelfinanzierung zu erlangen."

**Zielgruppe** DoktorandInnen und *Postdocs*

**Förderdauer** Forschungsstipendium: bis zu 6 Monate
Reisestipendium: bis zu 3 Monate
Stipendium zur Stellung eines Antrages auf Drittmittelförderung: bis zu 6 Monate

**Förderhöhe** Forschungsstipendium: 2.000 € monatlich für Postdocs
Reisestipendium: einmalig 475 € für Postdocs, Nutzung des Gästezimmers des DHI
Stipendium zur Stellung eines Antrages auf Drittmittelförderung: 2.000 € monatlich für Postdocs, Kinderzulage

**Fristende** 31. August 2020

**Weitere Informationen** Webseite des [DHI Rom](#)

Deutsches Forum für Kunstgeschichte Paris (DFK Paris)

**Forschungsstipendien**

**Förderung** „Das Deutsche Forum für Kunstgeschichte (DFK Paris) vergibt mehrere Stipendien […] vorzugsweise im Rahmen seiner vier Forschungsfelder »Transkulturalität und Mobilität«, »Institutionen- und Wissenschaftsgeschichte«, »Die Kunst der Objekte« und »Digitale Kunstgeschichte«.“

**Zielgruppe** DoktorandInnen und *PostdoktorandInnen* der Kunstgeschichte

**Förderdauer** 6 bis 8 Monate (im Zeitraum von Januar bis August 2021)

**Förderhöhe** i.d.R. 1.700 € monatlich

**Fristende** 15. September 2020

**Weitere Informationen** Webseite des [DFK Paris](#)
An overview of the most important science awards is available [here](#).

**Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF)**

**Förderpreis „Raising the Profile of Education and Science Diplomacy“**


- Hat/Hatte die Bildungs- und Wissenschaftskooperation eine stabilisierende Wirkung auf die Kooperation mit Ländern/Regionen, insbesondere bei denen die politische Zusammenarbeit vor Herausforderungen steht/stand? [...] 
- Leistet/Leistete die Bildungs- bzw. Wissenschaftskooperation einen Beitrag zu politischen Entscheidungsprozessen in Deutschland, im Partnerland oder in der Partnerregion? [...]”

**Zielgruppe** Voraussetzungen:

- Es wird/wurde ein bi- oder multilaterales Vorhaben mit Bezug zum Thema Bildungs- und Wissenschaftsdiplomatie durchgeführt.
- Das ausgewählte Vorhaben weist die Vermittlerrolle deutscher Ausbilderinnen und Ausbilder, Wissenschaftlerinnen und Wissenschaftler für Politik und Gesellschaft im In- und Ausland nach.

**Förderdauer** max. 1 Jahr

**Dotierung**

- Modul 1 (Kommunikationsmaßnahmen): bis zu 75.000 €
- Modul 2 (besonders innovative und kommunikative Maßnahmen): bis zu 25.000 €

**Fristende** 15. Juli 2020

**Weitere Informationen** Webseite des [BMBF](#)
### Alexander von Humboldt Foundation

#### Georg Forster Research Award

- **Aim**: “The Georg Forster Research Award is granted in recognition of a researcher’s entire achievements to date to academics of all disciplines whose fundamental discoveries, new theories, or insights have had a significant impact on their own discipline and beyond and who are expected to continue developing research-based solutions to the specific challenges facing transition and developing countries.”
- **Target Group**: nationals of a developing or transition country
- **Endowment**: € 60,000 and up to € 25,000 to conduct a research project of their own choosing in Germany in close collaboration with a specialist colleague
- **Deadline**: 31 October 2020
- **Further information**: website of the prize

### Academy of Sciences in Erfurt together with the Universities of the State

#### Dalberg Prize

- **Aim**: This Thuringian Academy Award brings research to the attention of the public whose transdisciplinarity is not only directed at connections between individual subjects, but also builds a bridge between the humanities and natural sciences: The emphasized transdisciplinarity sends a signal to the public that the often separately juxtaposed scientific disciplines are not only perceived mutually, but also jointly. They differ not so much in the common questions that ultimately unite them, but rather in their methodological dispositions.
- **Target Group**: transdisciplinary early-career researchers
- **Endowment**: € 2,000
- **Deadline**: 15 August 2020
- **Further information**: website of the prize
Ministry of Economic Affairs, Innovation, Digitalisation and Energy of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia (MWIDE)

Innovationspreis 2021

Ziel
“Angesichts des großen Innovationspotenzials auf der einen Seite und einer bedingt durch die Branchenstruktur des Landes vergleichsweise niedrigen privaten Forschungs- und Entwicklungsquote hat es sich die nordrhein-westfälische Landesregierung zur Aufgabe gemacht, das Innovationsgeschehen in Nordrhein-Westfalen in all seinen Dimensionen nachhaltig zu fördern.

Mit der Verleihung des Innovationspreises rückt die Landesregierung seit 2008 Persönlichkeiten in den Mittelpunkt, die durch ihre Forschungs- und Entwicklungsarbeit in herausragender Weise dazu beitragen, dass Ideen Wirklichkeit werden.

Der Innovationspreis wird in drei Kategorien vergeben:

- Für eine besondere Innovationsleistung
- an einen herausragenden Nachwuchsforscher
- als Ehrenpreis.

Der Innovationspreis des Landes Nordrhein-Westfalen ist nach dem Zukunftspreis des Bundespräsidenten die höchstdotierte Auszeichnung dieser Art in Deutschland.”

Zielgruppe
Kategorie Innovation: einzelne Person oder Team; wissensbasierte, technische oder soziale Innovationen auf den Feldern der großen gesellschaftlichen Herausforderungen unserer Zeit

Kategorie Nachwuchs: promovierte NachwuchswissenschaftlerInnen, max. 35 Jahre alt

Dotierung
Kategorie Innovation: 100.000 € | Kategorie Nachwuchs: 50.000 €

Fristende
Nominierungsvorschläge können bis zum 4. September 2020 (interne Deadline) an s.kloppenburg@verw.uni-koeln.de geschickt werden; die Nominierungsformulare (jeweils für die Kategorie "Innovation" und "Nachwuchs") finden Sie hier. Wir bitten zu beachten, dass zum Zeitpunkt der Bewerbung ebenfalls zwei wissenschaftliche Referenzschreiben beizufügen sind.

Weitere Informationen
Webseite des MWIDE
Roman Herzog Institute

Roman Herzog Research 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**  postdocs not older than 40 years; doctoral or postdoctoral thesis completed up to three years ago

**Endowment**  € 35,000

**Deadline**  31 December 2020

**Further information**  website of the prize

Europa Nostra & Creative Europe

European Heritage Awards / Europa Nostra Awards

**Aim**  “The European Heritage Awards/Europa Nostra Awards were launched in 2002 by the European Commission and have been organised by Europa Nostra ever since. The Awards promote best practices related to heritage conservation, management, research, education and communication. In this way, the Awards scheme contributes to a stronger public recognition of cultural heritage as a strategic resource for Europe’s society and economy.”

**Target Group**  category research: outstanding research and knowledge transfer projects which lead to tangible effects in the conservation and enhancement of cultural heritage in Europe

**Endowment**  certificate, plaque and € 10,000 each

**Deadline**  1 October 2020

**Further information**  website of the prize
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/Transregions, Research Training Groups and Research Units of the DFG, a lump-sum subsidy can be applied for:

- Collaborative Research Centres/Transregions: € 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**

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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** […]

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 up to the age of **12 years** resp. **6th grade** or younger or with care responsibilities

**Duration**

Module 1: **summer semester (SoSe) 2021** | Module 2: up to **6 months**

**Funding**

Module 1: Funding for a teaching substitute for **2 SWS** for summer semester 2021

Module 2: research assistant (up to 6 months à **6 h SHK/WHB**)

**Deadline**

1 September 2020 (call for applications with remaining funds)

**Further information**

website of **Division 7 Research Management**
MISCELLANEOUS

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
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.
**Events**

04.-06.08.2020  
*NKS-L Online-Seminar-Reihe: „Horizont 2020 – Antragstellung in den Lebenswissenschaften“*  
online

09.09.2020  
*Save the date: Online-Seminar zur COST-Antragstellung*  
online

06.10.2020  
*Europäisches Forum für Wissenschaft und Bildung für Nachhaltigkeit 2020*  
Berlin and online

22.-24.11.2020  
*European Research and Innovation Days*  
online

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