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Sponsorship Programs

no guarantee for correctness – check the programs yourself if you think about applying

Sponsorships for PhD and Post-Docs

This talk is going to help you in answering the following questions:

- ▶ What are typical requirements for applications?
- ▶ What can I expect from a sponsorship?
- ▶ Which are the most important sponsorship programs?

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Typical requirements for application

- ▶ **full CV**
- ▶ description of research proposal
- ▶ two recent referee's reports by university teachers
- ▶ officially authenticated copies of academic certificates
- ▶ language certificate
- ▶ recent photographs, health certificate
- ▶ documents of practical training
- ▶ list of publications

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- ▶ full CV
- ▶ description of research proposal
 - ▶ state-of-the-arts analysis
 - ▶ your previous work
 - ▶ approximate schedule
- ▶ two recent referee's reports by university teachers
- ▶ officially authenticated copies of academic certificates
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- ▶ full CV
- ▶ description of research proposal
- ▶ two recent referee's reports by university teachers
 - ▶ one should be from your supervisor or from target university
 - ▶ usually sent confidentially in sealed envelopes
- ▶ officially authenticated copies of academic certificates
- ▶ language certificate
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- ▶ full CV
- ▶ description of research proposal
- ▶ two recent referee's reports by university teachers
- ▶ officially authenticated copies of academic certificates
 - ▶ school-leaving certificate
 - ▶ university end-of-year exam certificates (with individual grades)
 - ▶ university diploma or degree certificate
 - ▶ explanation of grading system
- ▶ language certificate
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What you can expect

- ▶ monthly payments
 - ▶ sometimes tax-free, other times not.
 - ▶ always around 1000–1200 EUR
 - ▶ small difference between PhD and Post-Doc only
- ▶ travel and publication costs
 - ▶ often very limited (100 EUR per month)
 - ▶ travel costs are better covered by projects
- ▶ family support
 - ▶ additional monthly sum in case your partner/child(ren) come along
 - ▶ usually around 150-300 EUR
- ▶ often: special programs
 - ▶ meetings with other sponsored PhD students or Post-Docs
 - ▶ networking

Introduction to Legend



From right to left:

- ▶ PD: sponsorship for PostDocs
- ▶ PhD: sponsorship for PhD students
- ▶ German: only for German residents
- ▶ Worldwide: open to applicants from other countries
- ▶ Time: Sponsorship duration in m(onths) or y(ears)
- ▶ admission to PhD at German university required

DAADDeutscher Akademischer Austausch Dienst
German Academic Exchange Service

”Sandwich PhD”

- ▶ covers travel costs for supervisors
- ▶ support for 3y if PhD is made fully in Germany
- ▶ also available for PostDocs (i.e. not aiming for a degree)

[http://www.daad.de/deutschland/foerderung/
stipendiendatenbank/00462.en.html?detailid=7&fachrichtung=
10&land=62&status=3&seite=1&daad=0](http://www.daad.de/deutschland/foerderung/stipendiendatenbank/00462.en.html?detailid=7&fachrichtung=10&land=62&status=3&seite=1&daad=0)



Studienstiftung
des deutschen Volkes



- ▶ no other stipends allowed
- ▶ applications have to be made by supervisor
- ▶ up to 4 years if you need to support your child

<http://www.studienstiftung.de/promotionsstipendien.html?&0=>

Local PhD Funding in Ulm

- ▶ Graduate School: Mathematical Analysis of Evolution, Information and Complexity
- ▶ Sponsorship through Landesgraduiertenförderungsgesetz (LGFG)
 - ▶ only for enlisted PhD students of the Ulm University
 - ▶ good overall grade = good chance of acceptance
 - ▶ yearly deadline in early February
- ▶ SFB/Transregio 62: A Companion-Technology for Cognitive Technical Systems
 - ▶ requires additional project application at DFG

PostDoc Sponsorships

- ▶ similar application requirements to PhD sponsorships
- ▶ additionally required: PhD certificate
- ▶ PhD finished 'recently' (usually max. 4-6 years ago)
- ▶ list of scientific publications becomes more important



Alexander von Humboldt Stiftung/Foundation

- ▶ no funding for short-term visits
- ▶ good choice for PostDocs
- ▶ no funding, if you have spent a longer period of time (>6m) in Germany before
- ▶ selection process thrice a year: march, july, and november
- ▶ notification after 3-6m

<http://www.humboldt-foundation.de/web/humboldtforchungsstipendium-postdoc.html>



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Forschungsgemeinschaft
DFG

Forschungsstipendien

- ▶ person-based sponsorship, not project-based
- ▶ expect you to stay in Germany afterwards
- ▶ average notification time: 6 months
- ▶ acceptance rate: 30-40%

http://www.dfg.de/forschungsfoerderung/nachwuchsfoerderung/stipendien/kompaktdarstellung_forschungsstipendium.html

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Emmy Noether Programm

- ▶ 2 years PostDoc experience required
- ▶ establish your own research group
- ▶ includes funding for up to two PhD students
- ▶ expect you to stay in Germany afterwards

http://www.dfg.de/forschungsfoerderung/nachwuchsfoerderung/emmy_noether/kompaktdarstellung_emmy_noether.html

Further Programs

- ▶ many more specialized programs available
- ▶ many restricted to affiliation with political parties or specific countries

<http://www.stipendienlotse.de>

- ▶ bottom line: if you're dedicated to join our group funding will be found



- ▶ Catholic confession required
- ▶ for EU citizens only
- ▶ knowledge of German language required

<http://www.cusanuswerk.de/foerderung/stipendien/>

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EBERT STIFTUNG

- ▶ mostly given to non-EU foreigners

http://www.fes.de/fes_stuf/inhalt/in_mat.htm



GOTTLIEB DAIMLER-
UND
KARL BENZ-STIFTUNG

- ▶ graduation less than 1 year ago
- ▶ less than 30 years of age
- ▶ currently not accepting applications

http:

[//www.daimler-benz-stiftung.de/home/fellowship/de/start.html](http://www.daimler-benz-stiftung.de/home/fellowship/de/start.html)



HEINRICH BÖLL STIFTUNG
Die grüne politische Stiftung

► deadline: Sept, 1st

http://www.boell.de/alt/de/12_studien/2294.html





Konrad Adenauer Stiftung

- ▶ less than 32 years of age
- ▶ engagement in political, social, clerical, or cultural areas required

<http://www.kas.de/wf/de/42.36/>



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Finanzierung der eigenen Stelle

- ▶ only available together with existing DFG project

[http://www.dfg.de/forschungsfoerderung/nachwuchsfoerderung/
eigene_stelle/index.html](http://www.dfg.de/forschungsfoerderung/nachwuchsfoerderung/eigene_stelle/index.html)

**DAAD**Deutscher Akademischer Austausch Dienst
German Academic Exchange Service

Fachkursstipendien

- ▶ sponsorships for single courses
- ▶ no language courses
- ▶ teachers must not be from your own university

[http://www.daad.de/ausland/foerderungsmoeglichkeiten/
stipendiendatenbank/00658.de.html?detailid=199&fachrichtung=
10&land=62&status=2&seite=1](http://www.daad.de/ausland/foerderungsmoeglichkeiten/stipendiendatenbank/00658.de.html?detailid=199&fachrichtung=10&land=62&status=2&seite=1)

**DAAD**Deutscher Akademischer Austausch Dienst
German Academic Exchange Service**Fritz-Thyssen Stiftung**

- ▶ not for computer science!

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10&land=62&status=3&seite=1&daad=0](http://www.daad.de/deutschland/foerderung/stipendiendatenbank/00462.de.html?detailid=458&fachrichtung=10&land=62&status=3&seite=1&daad=0)

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Leonardo da Vinci

- ▶ support for internships
- ▶ requires existing cooperation project
- ▶ EU-wide program

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stipendiendatenbank/00462.de.html?detailid=464&fachrichtung=
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- ▶ funding has to be paid back when earning money
- ▶ different payback models selectable
- ▶ also available before graduation

<http://www.deutsche-bildung.de>

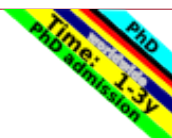


Evangelisches
Studienwerk e.V. Villigst
evangelical studies.

- ▶ protestant confession required
- ▶ deadlines: Jun, 15th and Dec, 15th

[http://www.evstudienwerk.de:
8080/stipendien/promotionsfoerderung/](http://www.evstudienwerk.de:8080/stipendien/promotionsfoerderung/)





[http://www.sdw.org/studienfoerderwerk/stipendien/
promotions-br%5Cfoerderung/](http://www.sdw.org/studienfoerderwerk/stipendien/promotions-br%5Cfoerderung/)

Hans Böckler Stiftung

Fakten für eine faire Arbeitswelt.

- ▶ less than 40 years of age

<http://www.boeckler.de/459.html>



- ▶ knowledge of German language required
- ▶ not for PhD in final phase
- ▶ deadlines: May, 31st and Nov, 30th
- ▶ related to political party (FDP)

<http://www.freiheit.org>



Hanns Seidel Stiftung

- ▶ less than 32 years of age
- ▶ related to political party (CSU)

<http://www.hss.de/index.php?id=2575>



- ▶ knowledge of German language required
- ▶ other stipends are counted towards 24m limit
- ▶ less than 30 years of age
- ▶ related to political party (Die Linke)

<http://www.rosalux.de/cms/index.php?id=4519>