

# Doing Research Abroad: Third-Party Funded Mobility Grants for Outgoings

In cooperation with the Research Support

## Objective

- To present early career researchers with an overview of major national and international funding lines targeted towards financing visiting scholarships and fieldwork abroad
- To familiarize participants with major issues they may need to tackle to optimally set up their research project and reap the benefits of their research stay
- To present applicants with basic strategies for writing strong proposals for such a mobility grant
- To introduce a variety of resources at Goethe University and beyond that are useful for planning and executing outgoing mobility

## Description

It is increasingly common that doctoral candidates and postdoctoral researchers are expected to spend extended periods of time abroad as visiting scholars or to conduct scientific fieldwork. A variety of third-party grant providers support such outgoings with specialized funding lines. However, doing research abroad involves many aspects that may be difficult to juggle. Applicants hoping to secure funding for research stays or fieldwork abroad have to think about many issues that come into play even before they can complete their application for a mobility grant. Please note: This workshop is NOT focusing on researching and obtaining temporary postdoc positions abroad that are not based on third-party funding!

Typical aspects that need to be considered revolve around

- Setting up a successful research project - How can high-quality scientific hosts be identified and involved in pre-planning a research stay?
- Employment issues at Goethe University - What happens to your current temporary position?
- Visiting scholarship arrangements - What formal requirements may exist for your stay at the foreign host institution?

In general, proposals are more likely to receive funding if most of these issues are addressed ahead of time. While the online workshop cannot cover all special circumstances that may apply to doing research abroad – the complexity of implementing such projects depends strongly upon the destination country – participants will be alerted to the major aspects that boost the success of a mobility measure.

## Methodology

- Expert input
- Presentation of success stories
- Plenary discussion

## Trainer



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- Serves as the Liaison Officer for National Research Funding and Early Career Researchers at Goethe University's Research Support
- Began her career as a grant-writing consultant at Heidelberg Research Service in 2013 after working as a postdoctoral researcher at Heidelberg University's Max-Weber-Institute of Sociology
- Received her Ph.D. in Organizational Communication from the Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism at the University of Southern California, Los Angeles, in 2010
- Worked as an experiential learning facilitator at USC's Marshall School of Business from 2004 to 2008



## Organizational Information

Language / Format	English / Online
Target group	Doctoral Candidates at all stages and Postdocs (R2/R3) from all faculties
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