



## Inviting Research Award Winners for Renewed Research Stays in Germany

The Alexander von Humboldt Foundation would like to see award winners continue academic cooperation with specialist colleagues in Germany on a long-term basis. The invitation programme offers an opportunity to invite Alexander von Humboldt Foundation research award winners to conduct research in Germany once again.

The conferment of a research award by the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation is a unique, one-time distinction in recognition of the academic achievements and the personality of the award winner. Invitations for renewed research stays may be extended to award winners after completion of their initial stays in Germany. Invitations serve the purpose of allowing award winners and their colleagues in Germany to continue the collaborative work initiated during previous stays, to complete joint research projects and/or to pursue new joint research. Decisions on applications by the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation take into consideration the scientific or scholarly justification of the invitation and the availability of funds.

Shorter visits that aim exclusively at collecting material and information or participating in conferences in Germany may be supported by daily allowances, which award winners may apply for themselves.

### Information on the Application Process and Funding

1. Applications for an invitation can only be submitted by scholars and scientists in Germany. They need not necessarily be the award winners' original nominating hosts. If possible, applications should be made in agreement with former hosts, who are to be invited by the applicants to submit an accompanying statement to the application.
2. There are no application forms for an invitation. The applicant is kindly asked to submit an outline of the research cooperation planned for the invitation period (including specification of the intended dates of the award winner's stay). In addition, a curriculum vitae and a list of the research award winner's publications should be included for the period after the granting of the original award, whereby the publications immediately ensuing from the previous stay in Germany should be clearly marked.
3. Decisions on applications are usually taken by the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation within two months of submitting the complete application documents.
4. An invitation can be granted for a research stay in Germany of up to three months (90 days). The Alexander von Humboldt Foundation kindly requests applicants and award winners to plan stays of one, two or three (full) months.
5. The **financial assistance** provided by the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation for a renewed research stay in Germany consists of:
  - an expense allowance subject to the availability of funds, currently amounting to 162 EUR per day (4.860 EUR per month), and
  - one-time coverage of the round-trip travel expenses (lump sum) for the research award winner (not for marital partners and children) from his or her own country to Germany.

These allowances will be made available according to the actual duration of the stay.

6. Award winners who are invited to Germany are included in the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation's network programme.
7. After the research stay has come to an end, the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation requests award winners and their academic hosts to provide a brief report on their experiences.
8. The Alexander von Humboldt Foundation is interested in providing the opportunity for renewed research stays to as many academically active award winners as possible, subject to the availability of funds. In cases of repeated invitations, the period of time elapsed since the last sponsorship by the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation will be taken into consideration for decisions on applications.

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