In view of the crisis in the Ukraine, the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation is extending the deadline for universities and research institutions in Germany to submit applications for Ukrainian scholars under immediate threat in the current selection round of the Philipp Schwartz Initiative. Against this background, the following exceptions are made:

1. Special deadline for nominations

Nominations of Ukrainian scholars at acute risk may be submitted until **18 March 2022**. Please note that the deadline for nominations of other scholars will not change; these should still be submitted by **4 March 2022**.

2. Special provision on proof of threat

In view of the acute exceptional situation and in consultation with the Federal Foreign Office, the requirement for proof of risk from a third party is waived. Instead, the individual risk situation should be summarized by the nominee by way of a personal statement in German or English of up to one page (only text and/or links, no photos or videos). Existing assessments from third parties can be added as a supplement.

3. Supplementation of already submitted applications

Nominations for Ukrainian researchers can also be added to applications already submitted. Please submit the following documents for this purpose:

- Cover sheet (Annex 3a)
- Individual nomination (Annex 3c) with attachments
- Financing plan (Annex 3e)

We kindly ask for your understanding that these special regulations only apply to nominations of Ukrainian scholars under immediate threat, while in the case of nominations of other persons the usual regulations for Philipp Schwartz nominations including the application deadline of 4 March 2022 remain unchanged. Our [programme information and programme guidelines](#) remain applicable to at-risk scholars from all countries of origin. Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions, for example regarding eligibility criteria such as doctorate or equivalent research output.

If you have any questions, please contact us via schwartz-initiative@avh.de

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