

KLAUS TSCHIRA BOOST FUND

SUPPORTING RESEARCHERS IN THE NATURAL SCIENCES,
MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

OBJECTIVE

The Klaus Tschira Boost Fund supports excellent scientists by:

- granting **independent funding** to enable independent, innovative, riskier, and interdisciplinary projects,
- helping them to develop and foster (international) **cooperation and networks**,
- providing **support and advice** for professional and personal development.

The program aims to allow (young) scientists more flexibility, accelerate their careers, and promote early independence.

The Klaus Tschira Boost Fund supports **early- and mid-career researchers** who are:

- working at a university or non-university research institution in Germany,
- conducting their research in one or more of the following research fields: Biology, Chemistry, Earth Sciences, Computer Science, Mathematics, Neurosciences or Physics;
- PostDoc, junior research group leader or junior/W1-professor (with/without tenure track).

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PROGRAM

It is possible to apply for grants of **up to 80,000 Euro** for a maximum funding period of **two years**. The project must start between 1 April and 1 October 2020. Grants can be generally used for **all types of costs** (e.g., staff, material and travel costs). A Maximum of 75 percent of the funds may be used to cover (parts of) the own salary.

In addition, all fellows have the opportunity to be part of the **alumni network [AlumNode](#)**. The network focuses on:

- Leadership & Career Development
- Science Communication & Advocacy
- Projects & Collaborations

The network enables an intensive exchange of know-how and experience, the promotion of own projects, peer mentoring as well as access to various counselling and training possibilities.

APPLICATION

Applications are open to **public universities** and **non-university research institutions in Germany**. The approved funds may only be drawn through the universities or non-university research institutions. The funds should be freely available to the scientist and used in accordance with the submitted plan. The use of funds must be proven to the GSO.

The proposal must have the support and approval of the universities'/ institutions' leadership. The applying institution must confirm that the position of the scientist is financed during the funding period, and access to basic research infrastructure is guaranteed.

The cooperation should be highlighted in media and press reports.

Applications must be submitted electronically to the GSO only. Please use the [electronic application form](#). An **application guideline** is available for download.

The application must include:

1. **Project plan** including time frame and budget plan
2. **CV** of the applicant (scientist)
3. **Letter of motivation** from the applicant (scientist)
4. **Statement** of the applying institution

The **application deadline** is 1 December 2019 (23:59 CET). A legal claim to funding does not exist.

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