

GRANT NEWSLETTER

28 April 2026

This newsletter contains an overview of grants that could be interesting for our scientific staff. The Faculty is happy to offer support with your application. For more information, please contact Hester Bergsma, Anita Wagemaker or Katja Lubina at researchdesk@fsw.leidenuniv.nl.

If you consider applying for a grant, be aware that it might take some time to obtain mandatory forms and signatures, as well as legal checks. Contact researchdesk@fsw.leidenuniv.nl for more information and advice on planning and preparing your application.

Obtained a grant? Congratulations! Please consult researchdesk@fsw.leidenuniv.nl for matters such as legal verification of the contract and obtaining the correct signatures.

Please also take into account the rules with regard to '[Regulations on Working for and with Third parties](#)'.

For external funding calls other than NWO, ERC and KNAW, researchers are advised to contact the Research Desk at an early stage to check for non-standard grant conditions, such as intellectual property, liability and contractual obligations.

The [FSW Research Support Portal](#) offers useful information to scientists within our Faculty.

In this newsletter you'll find new calls, as well as ongoing and expected ones. Calls from the previous newsletter that are still open are listed under 'Current Calls'.

Special Note



>>> [New application and resubmission restrictions ERC](#) <<<

Due to the sharp increase in applications, the calls for proposals for the Work Programme 2027 will introduce several changes to the eligibility rules. These include longer restrictions for unsuccessful applicants from the last two rounds.

At this moment, these changes will affect applicants for the 2027 calls who were unsuccessful in previous calls. However, first-time applicants who are applying for the 2027 calls should be aware that the Scientific Council may need to impose similar restrictions for the 2028 and 2029 calls, and the unsuccessful 2027 applicants would then be excluded from those.

You can find information about these changes on the [ERC website](#).

[Faculty of Impact round 2026 - support available](#)

The teams of [Luris](#) and [PLNT](#) are looking forward to support you with this application.



Conferences - workshops - information sessions

See also: [Research Funding Knowledge Base / Events](#)

[7 May and 9 July: Webinars MSCA PF 2026](#)

The Dutch National Contact Points will organize two webinars on the MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowship 2026 call (deadline 9 September 2026). The webinars are intended for both prospective fellows and supervisors that are planning to apply for the 2026 call.

- Thursday **May 7th** 2026, 10.30-12.00. This first webinar will focus on the general rules, procedures and eligibility criteria of MSCA PF 2026
- Monday **July 9th** 2026, 10.30-12.00. This second webinar will focus on how to write a MSCA PF proposal.

Register [here](#) for one or both webinars. The webinars will be in English and will not be recorded.

[12 May 2026: Horizon Europe Cluster 2 Online matchmaking event](#)

Organised by the Canadian National Contact Point.

Join us on May 12th for a virtual matchmaking event! We are bringing together researchers and innovators from Canada, Germany, the Netherlands, Sweden and New Zealand to forge new partnerships towards the [2027 Horizon Europe Cluster 2 calls](#). This event will focus on call for proposals relating to social and economic transformation, democracy and cultural heritage.

>>>The event registration will close **May 1st**.

3 June 2026: Online information event MSCA Doctoral Networks 2026

Online information event by the European Commission on 3 June 09:30-12:30h
The MSCA Doctoral Networks 2026 call will be presented in detail. This will provide prospective applicants and stakeholders with comprehensive guidance on the key requirements and novelties of the 2026 call, with particular emphasis on the Industrial and Joint Doctorate modes.

4 June 2026: Leiden Research Support Network Conference 2026 (for all research support professionals working at Leiden University)

Are you a research support professional? Join us at the sixth Leiden Research Support Network Conference. This year's theme is: working together - aligning research support roles and tasks across the project lifecycle. The theme runs throughout the programme and is particularly reflected in the exchange workshops.

4 & 16 June 2026: RVO - Workshop ERC Starting and Consolidator grant

Are you planning to apply for a European Research Council (ERC) Starting or Consolidator grant? Would you like to gain a better understanding of the factors that contribute to success so you can assess your chances? And are you looking for tips on how to write a successful proposal? During this workshop, RVO provides you with all the information you need to prepare your application.

15 June 2026: interactive session 'Failing Forward – Turning Rejection into Future Opportunities' (15:30 – 17:00h Living Lab 1B.01, FSW)

You are invited to join an interactive session on rejection, resilience, and learning in academic life. Unsuccessful applications, rejected proposals, and setbacks are often experienced as personal failures, while they are frequently part of the path toward growth, improvement, and eventual success. This session offers an open and constructive space to reflect on rejection as a normal part of academic life and to explore practical ways to move forward.

The session features opening reflections by Billy Tsagkroni, a keynote by Eveline Crone, and a discussion on how colleagues and faculties can better support researchers in dealing with rejection.

Deadline [registration](#): 6 June 2026

18 June: Webinar MSCA Doctoral Networks 2026

The Dutch National Contact Points will organize a webinar on the MSCA Doctoral Networks 2026 call (deadline 24 November 2026). This event is tailored for all potential applicants and stakeholders and will discuss how to apply for the **2026 DN** Call for Proposals. Register [here](#) for the webinar. The webinar will be in English and will not be recorded.

24 June 2026: Information session-"Discovering European Civil Security Opportunities for Your Organisation" 12:00-17:00h Nutshuis, The Hague

Are you interested in European opportunities for research and innovation in the Justice and Security domain? [Sign up here](#) for the Horizon Europe info session on 24 June.

During the session, speakers will share insights on opportunities, experiences and processes related to fighting crime and terrorism, border management, cybersecurity, resilient infrastructure, disaster-resilient societies en strengthening security research and innovation.

21-23 September 2026: Sustainability in Higher Education: join this Berlin conference (funding available!)

Researchers, teachers and staff at Leiden University are invited to register for the international Sustainability in Higher Education conference at Freie Universität Berlin from 21 to 23 September.

FU Berlin is a partner within the Una Europa alliance, and this opportunity is available thanks to Leiden University's [participation in Una Europa](#).

Deadline application: 17 May 2026

24-25 September 2026 UNA Europa Pathways to Decolonising Higher Education Hybrid conference

What would higher education look like if it were not built through a single epistemic tradition? Whose knowledge counts in our classrooms, research agendas, and institutional policies, and whose remains invisible?

These questions are at the heart of the hybrid international conference Beyond the Western Lens: Pathways to Decolonising Higher Education – organized by Una Europa.

Call for Proposal

[Submit your proposal for an individual presentation](#)

[Submit your proposal for a Panel discussion, Roundtable or Workshop](#)

Deadline: 15 May 2026

6-8 October 2026: WINNER Conference (Hybrid)

This year marks the 7th edition of WINNER – the Week of Indonesia–Netherlands Education and Research. The conference will be organised as a hybrid event, allowing participants to join sessions on-site in Indonesia and the Netherlands, as well as online. The main theme for WINNER 2026 is "Competitive and Resilient Societies: Human Capital, Innovation & Sustainability."

[Call for Sessions now open](#) Deadline: 11 May 2026

EU - ERC



[Horizon Europe News](#)
[European Research Council News](#)
[EU Funding & Tenders Portal \(europa.eu\)](#)



[Overview of the Health Calls 2026 and 2027 from Horizon Europe](#)

The European Commission has published the Horizon Europe work programme for the Health Cluster, including the general annexes and general introduction. The HNN3.0 (Health NCP) community has created an overview with a structured and clear table of the Cluster 1 'Health' calls for 2026 and 2027, including a list of relevant and helpful information, e.g. Funding specifics and Cross cutting priorities.

Pre-announcements

[MSCA Doctoral Networks 2026](#)

Opening date: 28 May 2026

MSCA Doctoral Networks will implement doctoral programmes, by partnerships of universities, research institutions and research infrastructures, businesses including SMEs, and other socio-economic actors from different countries across Europe and beyond.

Deadline: 24 November 2026

New calls

[EU LIFE Programme – Opportunities for FSW researchers \(open to all disciplines\)](#)

The calls of the EU LIFE Programme (opened 21 April) may be interesting for FSW researchers working on the societal, behavioural and governance aspects of sustainability, climate and energy transitions. In particular, the Clean Energy Transition (CET) calls focus on coordination and support-type actions aimed at removing barriers to the energy transition, with funding rates up to 95%.

Unlike Horizon Europe, LIFE does not fund fundamental research, but focuses on implementation, upscaling, and real-world impact. This makes it especially relevant for research on behavioural change, policy, stakeholder engagement and interdisciplinary collaboration in societal transitions.

Deadline: 16 September 2026

[Rolling Call for Applications Singapore–Horizon Europe Complementary Fund \(several disciplines\)](#)

The Singapore–Horizon Europe Complementary Fund (SG-HE), administered by the National Research Foundation Singapore, provides funding for Singapore-based researchers to participate in collaborative projects under Horizon Europe. This scheme is relevant for Leiden researchers involved in Horizon Europe consortia who are looking to include or strengthen collaboration with partners in Singapore.

The call will remain open on a rolling basis through 31 Dec 2027

Current calls

[MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships \(open to all disciplines\)](#)

The 2026 call for the Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) [Postdoctoral Fellowships](#) is open to postdoctoral researchers from all over the world, of any nationality and at any career stage, with a maximum of 8 years of research experience after their PhD.

For information see the [MSCA newspage](#).

Deadline: 9 September 2026

[Horizon Europe 2026–2027 Work Programmes: Open to Cooperation with Brazil](#)

The 2026–2027 Work Programmes under Horizon Europe include a range of calls in which participation from Brazil and other Latin American countries is actively encouraged — and in some cases even required. In exceptional instances, the European Commission may also provide funding for Brazilian partners. EURAXESS has compiled [an overview](#) of the relevant calls.



NWO

[NWO news and events](#)

Pre-announcements

[Pre-announcement: CIIIC Learning Communities for IX Talent and Skills \(ECS, Psychology\)](#)

Interested in making contributions to learning and working around immersive experiences (IX) as a researcher together with education and practice? A new call for proposals aimed at the realisation of CIIIC Learning Communities will open in May. This call connects innovation, learning and working.

There is an online information session for this call on Thursday 28 May from 10.30 to 12.00. You can apply via [the CIIIC website](#).

New calls

Reducing drug-related harm through effective social interventions (NWA)

This call invites researchers and societal organisations to form a consortium that researches societal innovations aimed at reducing drug(-related) harm. The consortium will investigate the mechanisms through which drug(-related) harm arises. It will also develop and improve policy interventions to reduce drug-related harm.

Deadline Pre-proposal: 7 July 2026

Deadline full application: 30 March 2027

Preparing for Tomorrow: Societies and Strategies in Times of Transition (Political Science, CADS, Psychology)

This call seeks to foster interdisciplinary and transnational research, reflecting the complex interplay between global crises, emerging technologies, and evolving societal values. We invite researchers to submit project proposals that contribute to new knowledge and tools to support a shared vision of a resilient and inclusive global future responsive to emerging challenges.

Deadline: 8 July 2026 (Letter of Intent) and 28 October 2026 (full proposal)

Current calls

Museum Grants (open to all disciplines)

Museum employees may apply for funding for short-term in-depth scientific research related to the museum or its collection. The results should benefit museum research practice and must be included in an open access publication.

Deadline: 12 May 2026

Faculty of Impact 2026 (open to all disciplines)

The Faculty of Impact programme is aimed at researchers who want to achieve impact with their research and are interested in developing entrepreneurial skills to set up their own business. These researchers can now submit a grant application to become a fellow at the Faculty of Impact. A maximum of €210,000 is available per application. The duration of this programme is two years.

Deadline: 26 May 2026

The power of collaboration (Political Science, CADS, Psychology)

NWA stimulates collaboration between different partners, so that the whole is greater than the sum of its parts and new knowledge is developed for social challenges. The Power of Collaboration programme aims to boost scientific and societal impact by building on the knowledge, insights, and practical approaches from earlier NWA projects.

Deadline: 16 June 2026

KIC - Cooling needs in homes: effects, mitigation, adaptation (CADS, Psychology)

Climate change and urbanisation are causing increased indoor temperatures, which in turn increases cooling demand in homes. In this KIC programme, NWO encourages interdisciplinary research into local heat differences, the consequences of overheating and the increasing need for cooling in different types of homes. The goal of this call is to reduce this cooling demand and to meet the remaining demand to achieve a healthy and comfortable indoor climate.

Deadline: 23 June 2026

KIC Integrated Biorefineries for a Circular Future (CADS, Psychology, Political Science)

The transition within the chemical industry from fossil feedstock to biobased materials involves technical, social, economic and legal changes. In this programme, NWO collaborates with the Brazilian funding organisation FAPESP to connect scientists, industry, agricultural companies and societal partners to jointly find a solution to these problems.

Deadline for submission of the mandatory Letter of intent: 23 June 2026

Deadline for submission of Proposals is 20 October 2026

NWO Hop-On Call for Proposals for Researchers Based in Ukraine 2025 (all disciplines)

Dutch and Ukrainian researchers will once again have the opportunity to collaborate with the 'NWO Hop-On Call for Researchers Based in Ukraine'. NWO and the National Research Foundation of Ukraine (NRFU) will open a second funding round within their collaborative initiative in January 2026.

Deadline: 23 June 2026 or until the budget has been exhausted. Applications are to be awarded on a "first come – first served" basis.

Security & Resilience of Digital Ecosystems (socio-technical focus) (open to several disciplines)

This call funds research on how to strengthen the security and resilience of digital ecosystems in the Netherlands, combining technological solutions with insights into governance, behaviour and organisation. A security by design / security by default approach is encouraged.

Relevant for researchers in: governance & public administration, political science, organisational studies, psychology, communication science, and data & society — in collaboration with technical partners.

Deadline: 15 September 2026

KIC Demand-driven Research by Consortia -S 2026 (open to all disciplines)

Cybersecurity, climate, circular economy, housing shortage, ageing population or health: our society faces enormous challenges that require knowledge and groundbreaking innovations. This demands collaboration between researchers, businesses and public social partners to develop innovative solutions and implement them successfully. This Call for proposals stimulates this collaboration and funds new and existing public-private consortia.

Deadline: 22 September 2026

Research along Routes by Consortia 2026 (NWA-ORC) (open to all disciplines)

In the annual ORC funding round, consortia can submit thematic proposals that provide a joint expression of the breadth and innovative character of the NWA. The funding round is aimed at facilitating research that leads to scientific and/or societal breakthroughs.

Note: Participation in collaborative workshops (February and March) is mandatory for main applicants.

Deadline: 6 October 2026

Take-off phase 1 – Feasibility studies WO 2026 (open to all disciplines)

Enterprising scientists who want to investigate whether it is feasible to commercially apply an innovative research result can apply for funding via Take-off phase 1 - Feasibility studies WO. This program is aimed at stimulating and supporting economic activity and entrepreneurship on the basis of science.

Deadline: 10 December 2026

KIC Societal Earning Capacity: Connection, Synthesis and Knowledge Utilisation (Political Science, CADS, Psychology)

This top-up call calls for consortia from the previous KIC Mission calls to request extra budget intended for connection, synthesis and knowledge utilisation from the knowledge that is gained during their research. This call hopes to contribute to bringing together, integrating and making knowledge available in other contexts and has as its purpose to accelerate mission-driven innovation and to create Societal Earning Capacity.

Deadline: 21 January 2027

Ongoing calls

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Applications can be submitted continuously until 10 December 2026

Computing Time on National Computing Facilities (open to all disciplines)

Through the Call for Proposals Computing Time on National Computer Facilities 2026, researchers and research groups can gain access to computing time and the associated data services and expertise on the national advanced computer systems Supercomputer Snellius, Data Processing (Grid/Spider), HPC Cloud (via SURF Research Cloud) and support from SURF.

Open Access Books (open to all disciplines)

Project leaders or co-applicants of awarded NWO research projects can apply for funding of the costs of Open Access publishing of academic books that result from NWO funding.

Deadline: continuous

Cooperation Germany - Von Humboldt Stiftung (VHS) (open to all disciplines)

The NWO invites eminent researchers to nominate German candidates for a Von Humboldt Prize and German researchers to nominate Dutch candidates. The aim is to encourage international collaboration between excellent researchers.

Deadline: continuous

Humboldt Research Fellowship (open to all disciplines)

The Humboldt Research Fellowship for researchers of all nationalities and research areas: We support you with your research in Germany.

Deadline: ongoing (March, July, November)

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[NKO News](#) Granting information and calls for proposals

New calls

[Tender: Samen Verbinding Jeugd](#)

In this tender, applicants can submit a proposal to carry out the research and improvement project 'Samen Verbinding Jeugd', which is part of the wider Verbinding Jeugd programme. Please note: this process runs via TenderNed: if you're interested, get in touch with researchdesk@fsw.leidenuniv.nl as soon as possible. Deadline: 18 May 2026

Ongoing calls

[Kennisbenutting Plus \(Education and child studies\)](#)

Kennisbenutting Plus is a grant for activities that stimulate the utilization of educational research. A budget of 60.000 euros is available. Since this grant is focused on Dutch education, all documentation is in Dutch. Please go to the Dutch callpage. Applications can be submitted continuously.



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[News](#) Calls for proposals are in Dutch on ZonMw's website.

New calls

[Academische bruggenbouwers ouderengeneeskunde 2026](#)

Universities and university medical centres (UMCs) may apply for funding for a research project in which the training of clinical researchers in geriatric medicine is central. Deadline: 4 juni 2026

[Toetsing in de praktijk: Innovaties voor betere hulp- en zorgverlening bij gokschade](#)

This call aims to improve care and support for people experiencing or at risk of gambling harm. The goal is to test in practice how effective already developed (preventive) interventions, guidelines, services, products, processes, or procedures are. Deadline: 9 June 2026

[Ontwikkelen nieuwe kennis fietsveiligheid](#)

This funding call focuses on the development of new, applicable knowledge necessary for the prevention of cycling accidents and the reduction of injury severity. This knowledge should provide a basis for guidelines on infrastructure, new policy measures, and behavioural interventions. Deadline: 29 juni 2026

Current calls

[Towards Implementation in Long-Term Care](#)

This call aims to create the right conditions to implement existing effective interventions in long-term care. Applications can be submitted by a partnership of at least two care and support providers under the 'Wet langdurige zorg', together with one knowledge institute or research organisation. Deadline: 19 May 2026



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The Academy regards awards as an important means of showcasing outstanding and promising researchers. They also serve to spotlight specific areas of research and/or the arts. In addition, the Academy runs a number of incentive programmes specifically meant to encourage research excellence, in particular among young scientists and scholars. The Academy offers several awards and funding possibilities.

NIAS - one of the institutes of the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW) – has made it its mission to provide a physical and intellectual space for advanced research in the humanities and social sciences that is driven by curiosity and cross-discipline collaboration.

New calls

[KNAW Early Career Award](#) (open to all disciplines)

The KNAW Early Career Award encourages the further development of a diverse range of early career scientists and scholars who have made valuable and innovative contributions to science or scientific practice. These contributions may relate to the themes identified in [the Recognition & Rewards programme](#): research, education, impact, patient care (in university medical centres), or leadership.
Deadline: 1 July 2026

Current calls

[Academy Ter Meulen Grant](#) (ECS, Psychology)

Young researchers in the field of pediatrics or related areas can apply for a grant for a working visit to a foreign university/institute from a Dutch university.
Deadline: 6 May 2026



OTHER

Pre-announcements

[KFZ Callronde 2026](#) (Psychology, ECS)

The KFZ Programme launches one call round annually. During this call round, KFZ makes funding available for projects relevant to forensic care, such as scientific research or the development of guidelines and interventions.

Expected opening on 22 May 2026

Deadline: 13 September 2026

New calls

[Alzheimer Nederland InterAct-grant](#) (Psychology)

The InterAct grant from Alzheimer Nederland supports new national and international collaborations and research placements. PhD candidates, postdocs, and researchers without a PhD at a research institute, university of applied sciences, or knowledge institute can apply for this personal grant of up to €15,000 for up to one year.

Deadline: 28 May 2026

[Swedish Collegium for Advanced Study: Barbro Klein Fellowship Programme](#) (CADS)

The Barbro Klein Residential Fellowship Programme intends to advance the study of cultural diversity in a global perspective. The fellowship is open to scholars from across disciplines in the humanities and social sciences, with an emphasis on research on cultural and social diversity, cultural heritage and creativity, societal structures and public resistance, and varieties of cultural expressions in local and global perspective.

Deadline: 1 June 2026

[Hanse-Wissenschaftskolleg Fellowship 2025](#) (Psychology)

The Fellowship program offers the opportunity to focus on research without the distraction of everyday routines in academia and to interact with colleagues in a vibrant international and interdisciplinary Fellow community that also includes Artists and Writers in Residence.

Deadline: 15 July 2026

Current calls

[Stein Rokkan Prize 2026](#) (open to all disciplines)

The annual Stein Rokkan Prize for Comparative Social Science Research is presented by the [International Science Council \(ISC\)](#), the [University of Bergen](#) and the ECPR.

Thanks to the generosity of the University of Bergen, it now carries a prize fund of €5,000. The prize is open to works in comparative studies from all social science disciplines. It is given to a submission deemed by the Jury to be a substantial and original contribution in comparative social science research.

Deadline: 1 May 2026

[Spencer Foundation: The Racial Equity Research Grants](#) (open to several disciplines)

The Racial Equity Research Grants program supports education research projects that will contribute to understanding and disrupting racial inequality in education and work to reimagine generative possibilities to advance educational equity, with budgets up to \$75,000 for projects ranging from one to five years.

Deadline Intent to Apply Form: 4 May 2026

Deadline full proposal: 1 July 2026

[Kiem Grant 2026 – Final Call](#) (open to all disciplines)

The final round of the interdisciplinary Kiem grant will open on Monday 30 March 2026. Leiden University staff can apply for €10,000 in seed funding to support new interfaculty collaborations in research, teaching, or organisational initiatives. Proposals must involve colleagues from at least two faculties.

As this is the last Kiem round, colleagues with promising ideas are encouraged to apply.

Deadline: 11 May 2026

Call for Open and Sustainable Research Software (OSS 2026) (open to all disciplines)

The [Netherlands eScience Center](#), an independent foundation by [NWO](#) and [SURF](#), has published with Open Science NL their first Call for Open and Sustainable Research Software (OSS 2026). The call offers up to €250,000 in dedicated in-kind Research Software Engineering support to consolidate and future-proof existing research software that you can continue to sustain your research.
Deadline: 14 May 2026

LUF grant for Organising a conference or workshop (open to all disciplines)

Contribution to the costs of organising a workshop or small conference that has an academic objective and/or highlights the social relevance of the discipline concerned.
Maximum grant amount: for a one-day event: € 1,500; for a multi-day event: € 3,000.
Deadlines 2026: 14 May, 22 October

Wenner Gren Conference and Workshop Grant (CADS)

This grant program supports meetings and events that promote the development of inclusive communities of anthropologists and advance significant and innovative research. Conferences that we support are public events directed at large audiences of anthropologists. We prioritize scholarly gatherings that bring together members of large, international anthropological organizations. Workshops that we support are closed meetings focused on pressing topics in anthropology.
Deadline: 1 June 2026

MSH Val de Loire Visiting Researchers Programme (open to all disciplines)

Le Studium offers a new Visiting Researchers Programme in partnership with the Maison des Sciences sociales et des Humanités: Cities and urban studies; Money, economy and finance; Environmental Humanities; Transmission(s), transfer(s), re-appropriation(s); Human interaction and Data Science; Health in all its forms. It offers residency periods of 3 to 10 months.
Deadline: 4 June 2026

Holberg Prize (open to all disciplines)

The Holberg Prize is an international prize awarded for outstanding contributions to research in the arts and humanities, social sciences, law and theology.
Anyone holding an academic position at a university, academy or other research institution may nominate candidates for the Holberg Prize.
Nomination deadline: 15 June 2026

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Deadline: 15 July 2026

John Templeton Foundation (open for several disciplines)

The Foundation offers grants in support of research and public engagement in their major Funding Areas. They invest in bold ideas from contrarian thinkers — ideas that cross disciplinary boundaries and challenge conventional assumptions.
Deadline: they have several funding cycles with different deadlines.
For 2026: OFI Deadline 15 July, FP deadline early December 2026

Fritz Thyssen Foundation: Support of Projects (open to all disciplines)

Support of projects by the Fritz Thyssen Foundation focuses on scholars in the humanities, social sciences and biomedicine fields. The planned project should be limited in terms of the subject and time.
Deadline: 1 September 2026

Open Science Meetings (open to all disciplines)

Both researchers and research support staff may submit an application for financial support for organising an open science meeting.
Deadline: 10 December 2026

OTHER - ONGOING

Andrew Carnegie Foundation (Education and child studies, CADS and political sciences)

Andrew Carnegie envisioned Carnegie Corporation as a foundation that would “promote the advancement and diffusion of knowledge and understanding”.

BIMTECH Research Fellowship for Young Global Scholars (open to all disciplines)

The BIMTECH Research Fellowship scheme is to provide opportunities to researchers from foreign B Schools/Universities to undertake advanced studies in India leading to research outcomes.
Ongoing, selection meets only three times a year – March, July and November.

[The British Academy: Global Professorships \(open to all disciplines\)](#)

This programme aims to demonstrate and further enhance the UK's commitment to international research partnerships and collaboration as well as strengthen the UK's research capacity and capability in the humanities and the social sciences.

[Emmy Noether Programme DFG Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft \(open to all disciplines\)](#)

Outstanding junior researchers can rapidly qualify for leading positions in science and research or for a university teaching career by heading an independent junior research group and assuming relevant teaching duties.

[European University Institute](#)

The European University Institute (EUI), located in Florence, Italy, is Europe's postgraduate and postdoctoral research university dedicated to the social sciences and humanities. It offers several fellowships: [Educational programmes](#)

[Gerda Henkel Stiftung PhD Scholarships and programmes \(open for several disciplines\)](#)

In line with one of the founder's wishes, a special focus of the Gerda Henkel Foundation is support for up-and-coming scholars. Special attention is made when approving grants to enable qualified young researchers of both sexes to conduct scientific work for a limited period of time and in order to improve their academic training. Applications for PhD scholarships are considered throughout the year.

[Harry Frank Guggenheim foundation \(political sciences, CADS and Psychology\)](#)

Through its research activities, The Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation supports work in the social and natural sciences and aligned disciplines to increase understanding of the causes, manifestations, and control of violence in the contemporary world.

[Heisenberg Programme \(open to all disciplines\)](#)

If you already meet all the requirements for appointment to a permanent professorship, you can apply to the Heisenberg Programme. While you prepare for a future senior academic role, the DFG provides funding to enable you to carry on with high-quality research at the institution of your choice and continue building your academic reputation.

[Hersenstichting \(Psychology\)](#)

Qualified researchers affiliated with neuroscience institutes and research centres may submit an application to the Hersenstichting for funding to support their research..

[IASH \(University of Edinburgh\) \(open to all disciplines\)](#)

Several Fellowship programmes for external researchers.

[Max-Planck-Gesellschaft \(open to all disciplines\)](#)

The Max Planck Society is one of Europe's leading basic research organizations. In its research laboratories, workshops, libraries, and administration, scientists and researchers perform demanding tasks with a high degree of autonomy and creativity. Various calls and deadlines.

[National Institute for Health Research \(Psychology\)](#)

UK's largest funder of health and care research, working in partnership with the NHS, universities, local government, other research funders, patients and the public. Check their website for various funding possibilities.

[ODISSEI \(for all disciplines\)](#)

ODISSEI (Open Data Infrastructure for Social Science and Economic Innovations) is the national research infrastructure for the social sciences in the Netherlands. ODISSEI brings together researchers with the necessary data, expertise and resources to conduct ground-breaking research and embrace the computational turn in social enquiry. [Newsletter 16-4-2026](#)

[ProfessorPositions.com \(open to all disciplines\)](#)

ProfessorPositions has been at the core of higher education, connecting talented faculty and researchers with the best job opportunities all over the world.

[Una Europa Funding Opportunities for Research, Teaching, and Administration \(open to all disciplines\)](#)

Freie Universität Berlin offers flexible starter funding to initiate collaborative projects with Una Europa partners. For whom: university lecturers (professors, private lecturers, junior research group leaders). Activities supported: conferences or workshops hosted at FU Berlin, delegation visits to Una Europa partners, short research stays. Applications can be submitted throughout the year.

[Volkswagen Stiftung \(open to all disciplines\)](#)

Freigeist Fellowships support outstanding (junior) researchers who would like to conduct exceptional, high-risk research between established fields of research. Continuous deadline, next one in 2026.

Wenner Gren Post-PhD Research Grant (CADS)

This grant program funds individual research projects undertaken by doctorates in anthropology or a closely related field. Our goal is to support vibrant and significant work that furthers our understanding of what it means to be human. There is no preference for any methodology, research location, topic, or subfield.

Application deadlines are May 1 (for project start dates between January 1 and June 30 of the following year) and November 1 (for project start dates between July 1 and December 31 of the following year).

Wissenschaftskolleg zu Berlin Fellowships (open to all disciplines)

In each "class", the Wissenschaftskolleg strives to put together a group of Fellows that is greater than the sum of its individual members. To this end, the Wissenschaftskolleg invites outstanding researchers from all disciplines and from all over the world for a research year in Berlin.

Calls for early career researchers in the social sciences run from June to 1 September

Dokter Wittenberg Foundation (psychology)

The Dokter Wittenberg Foundation provides grants for projects that support the reintegration into society and the labour market of people with psychiatric conditions.



Find Funding Websites

Check our website: [Research Support Portal](#) and [Research Funding Knowledge Base](#)