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Feodor Lynen Fellowship

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The Feodor Lynen Fellowship

- research stays abroad by researchers from Germany
- approx. 100 fellowships per year
- success rate of 40%
- open to all disciplines and researchers at all career stages



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Objectives of the programme

- funding highly qualified scientists to conduct research projects of their choice abroad (in cooperation with a member of the Humboldt Network)
- development of lasting personal relationships and networks between researchers from all countries and disciplines

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Scope of funding

- 6 to 24 months of research stays abroad
- monthly fellowship + foreign allowance accord. to location, marital status
- return travel expenses within reasonable limits + parenting support
- reintegration allowance (job interviews, career promoting conferences)
- optional return fellowship for a period of up to 12 months



Who can apply?

- scientists and scholars from all disciplines
- postdoctoral and experienced researchers



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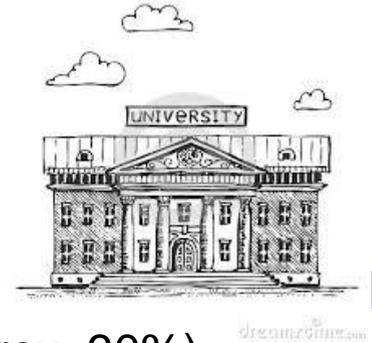
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Academic host abroad

- must be member of the Humboldt Network abroad or
- carrier of a specified international academic award
- and be employed abroad
- has to contribute to financing the research fellowship (approx. 30%)



Application requirements (for postdoctoral researchers)

- doctorate completed less than 4 years prior to application
- academic publications
- host's confirmation of research facilities and mentoring agreement
- expert reviews from doctoral supervisor and two other academics
- good knowledge of the language spoken in the host country

How to apply?

- any time and at least 4-7 months ahead of the prospective selection date
- selection committee meets every year in February, June and October

What is the review procedure?

- one-step review process (independent reviews + selection committee)
- candidate's qualification assessed on the following criteria
 - academic record and performance (mobility, academic productivity, etc.)
 - quality of key publications (e.g. originality, degree of innovation)
 - originality and innovation potential of the suggested research outline
 - applicant's future potential (e.g. career prospects)
- review process takes appr. 4-7 months

