

JESH – Joint Excellence in Science and Humanities

Call for Applications INCOMING or OUTGOING

Deadline: April 28, 2017

Within its Joint Excellence in Science and Humanities (JESH) program, the Austrian Academy of Sciences (OeAW) solicits proposals for the support of collaborative research projects that reflect novel ideas that are not currently being pursued.

Purpose

JESH is a **stimulation program** of the OeAW offering scientists from selected countries the opportunity to **establish new international contacts** at the highest level without any restrictions concerning research fields. Continuation or intensification of already existing cooperations cannot be funded.

The purpose of JESH is to foster collaborative research focused on highly innovative ideas by **junior scientists** for which no standard funding stream is available.

We do not expect all JESH projects to succeed, because these should be projects that have **high risk**, but we are very interested in proposals which, if successful, could have a significant payoff in terms of **advancing our knowledge**.

A further goal is to support work that has the potential, if the initial work is successful, in **enabling subsequent funding** from other agencies, for example but not limited to the ERC.

Who can participate?

JESH is open to scientists who completed their PhD / doctoral degree within the last 10 years and have a residence and an affiliation with a research institution in their home country. There is no restriction regarding the nationality of the participant.

Only one application per person will be accepted.

In case an application was rejected, it is possible to apply again once, provided that all formal application requirements are met.

JESH Incoming: Scientists from selected countries (see below) are invited to apply for a research stay at a research institution in Austria.

JESH Outgoing: Scientists from Austria are invited to apply for a research stay at a research institution in one of the selected countries (see below).

Selected Countries	Albania, Argentina, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belize, Bolivia, Bosnia and		
	Herzegovina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cuba, Ecuador, El Salvador, FYR Macedonia, Georgia, Guatemala, Guyana, Honduras, Iran, Kazakhstan, Kosovo, Kyrgyzstan, Mexico, Moldova, Montenegro, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Serbia, Slovenia, Suriname, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Turkey, Ukraine, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Venezuela		
Eligible institutions in Austria	Eligible institutions in Austria are all OeAW research units and institutes of public universities.		
Eligible institutions abroad	Eligible institutions abroad are universities or research institutions in selected countries.		
What can be financed?	Travel and accommodation costs for research stays between a minimum of two months (60 calendar days) and a maximum of six months (180 calendar days) can be financed. Other project costs or overheads cannot be reimbursed.		
	Time frame: The research stay must start between December 2017 and June 2018.		
How to apply?	All documents must be submitted in English in PDF format via email to jesh.application@oeaw.ac.at.		
	The application must include the following documents:		
	Application form for applicant		
	Curriculum vitae of the applicant		
	List of relevant publications of the applicant		
	Abstract of project description (1 page)		
	Project description (5-10 pages) including		
	background (status of research),		
	specific aims and methodology,novelty of the project planned,		
	 workplan and time schedule, 		
	 bibliography 		
	Breakdown of costs for travel and accommodation		
	Confirmation of affiliation from the employer in the home country		
	• <u>Host application form</u> including statement concerning the reasons for the invitation, the scientific potential of the project planned, and plans for the intended cooperation		
	Please get in contact with your host institute well before submitting your application.		
	Outgoing : In case the JESH funding is granted, OeAW employees are obliged to apply for a leave of absence ("Karenzierung") for the duration of the stay abroad; this is also recommended for all other recipients of a JESH grant.		
Proposal ranking criteria	All applications will be evaluated by (inter)national experts. Special emphasis will be put on the following evaluation criteria:		
	Scientific quality of the applicantScientific quality of the host institution and of the host research group		

	 Novelty and relevance of the intended research project High risk/high payoff of the project planned Added value of carrying out the research project (e.g. synergies) Potential for follow-on funding and further international cooperation The final decision about the awarding of financing lies within the responsibility of the OEAW Presiding Committee.
Reporting	The final report must be submitted to the OeAW / International Relations by email without separate request at the latest two months after the end of the research visit . A corresponding form is sent to you together with the announcement of the award. The report shall include a comment by the host on the outcome of the project.
OeAW Contact Point	Austrian Academy of Sciences E-Mail: jesh.application@oeaw.ac.at

Accommodation costs are provided as lump sums, calculated for each host country according to the following categories:

Group	Country	Daily Rate (up to 20 days)	Monthly rate (paid after more than 21 days)
AT	Austria	EUR 126,-	EUR 2.700,-
I	Bolivia; Bosnia and Herzegovina; Costa Rica; Kyrgysztan;	EUR 50,-	EUR 1.125,-
	Colombia; Croatia; Paraguay; Tajikistan; Turkmenistan;		
	Uzbekistan		
II	Albania; Armenia; Belarus; Belize; Ecuador; El Salvador;	EUR 80,-	EUR 1.800,-
	Guatemala; Guyana; Honduras; Kosovo; Cuba; Macedonia;		
	Moldova; Montenegro; Nicaragua; Peru; Serbia; Slovenia;		
	Suriname; Turkey; Ukraine; Uruguay		
III	Argentina; Azerbaijan; Chile; Georgia; Iran; Kzsakhstan;	EUR 110,-	EUR 2.475,-
	Mexico; Panama		
IV	Brazil; Venezuela	EUR 140,-	EUR 3.150,-