



University-wide call for proposals: SEED GRANTS for young scientists - funding for the preparation of a research proposal

The President's Office would like to support young scientists to create their own project ideas and doing scientific preparatory work for the later submission of a research proposal. In the university-wide program "Seed Grants for young scientists", young scientists have the possibility to apply for funding.

General conditions:

- "Seed Grant" recipients must submit a research proposal. There is no restriction with respect to funding organizations, however, it has to be a proposal for a research project. The preparation of proposals for fellowships, travel grants, conference participations etc. cannot be funded.
- If no proposal is submitted within two years after grant approval or if the applicant leaves the University of Hohenheim prior to proposal submission, the grant has to be refunded by the head/director of the respective academic unit.
- The Seed Grant applicant must also be applicant of the research proposal to be submitted later. The research proposal cannot be submitted by the Seed grant applicants supervisor, the director of the institute, the head of the department etc.
- A rejected proposal may be resubmitted later.
- Recipients of a Seed Grant can reapply with a new project idea.

Scope of funding:

- The maximum grant available is 5,000 €.

Use of funding:

- The funding must be used for the proposed research project.
- The grant cannot be used as a salary for the grant recipient.
- The grant recipient decides upon the use of the funds.

Applicants:

- PhD students and postdocs up to 6 years after the doctoral thesis (date of PhD certificate) may apply.
- Applicants must be located at a scientific unit of the University of Hohenheim. By her/his signature, the head of the respective academic unit states her/his consent and support of the project idea and the planned proposal submission.



Application:

- Submission deadlines: Applications may be submitted at any time.
- The use of the [proposal template](#) is mandatory.
- The proposal can be written in English or German.
- To submit your proposal, please send a scan of the completed and signed template by email to af@verwaltung.uni-hohenheim.de.

Evaluation:

- The Senate Committee Research (SKF) decides on grants according to following criteria (if above conditions are met):
 - Scientific level of the proposal
 - Relevance of the underlying scientific question
 - Feasibility
- The SKF reserves the right to involve additional experts (possibly external).

Do you have any questions about the program? Feel free to contact:

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