

20th Annual AUSTRIAN RESEARCH AND INNOVATION TALK 2023, L.A. “Meeting Challenges of the 21st Century”, 7 October 2023

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Presentation of Opportunities for Cooperation with Austria

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Funding opportunities - scholarships and prizes

<https://stipendien.oeaw.ac.at/stipendien/>

Supporting young talents on their way to a career in research - that is what the Academy's fellowship programs make possible. They are aimed at doctoral students and young researchers who are at the beginning of a scientific career. In this way, the ÖAW makes a significant contribution to the promotion of young scientists in Austria.

Prae-Doc:

- **DOC-Team:** The DOC-team funding program puts together teams of 3 to 4 doctoral candidates from the humanities and the social and cultural sciences to develop interdisciplinary solutions to problems.
- **DOC:** DOC Fellowship offers funding for highly qualified doctoral candidates in all areas of research. The fellowships in the amount of 46,700 Euros allow young researchers to dedicate themselves to working in focused fashion to complete their doctoral thesis within a clear timeframe.
- **MoChem:** The Chemical Monthly Fellowship supports completion of a doctoral thesis in the field of chemistry; it is especially aimed at doctoral candidates who require funding for conducting research abroad.

Pre- and Post-Doc:

- **GO.INVESTIGATIO:** Grants for library, archive and field research stays outside Austria which are necessary for preparing scientific papers or publications or for drafting external funding applications.
- **L'ORÉAL Austria:** Funding for young female scientists in medicine, natural and life sciences or mathematics to support them at the beginning of their scientific career after their doctorate/PhD.

Post-Doc:

- **Max Kade:** This program of the Max Kade Foundation in New York supports scholars from all research disciplines who wish to visit the USA for research purposes.
- **Post-DocTrack:** Fellowships for holders of a doctorate or PhD in the humanities and social and cultural sciences in order to assist in the transition to the post-doc phase.
- **APART-GSK:** Funding program for excellent junior scholars in the humanities and the social and cultural sciences (GSK) in the first post-doc phase of their careers.
- **APART-MINT:** Funding program for excellent young scientists in mathematics, natural and life sciences, technical sciences and medicine in the first post-doc phase of their careers.

JESH - Joint Excellence in Science and Humanities (<https://stipendien.oeaw.ac.at/stipendien/jesh>) promotes cooperation between outstanding young researchers from abroad and scholars in Austria. The target group is young scholars and scientists with a maximum of 10 years of research experience following completion of their doctorate/PhD

Cooperation possibilities with the institutes

At 26 research institutes, the Academy conducts pioneering basic research from archeology and demography to molecular biology, quantum physics, material sciences.

Around 1800 employees create new insights with their research at the locations in Vienna, Graz, Linz, Innsbruck and Leoben and work on the innovations of tomorrow.

[Research Institutes of the OeAW](#)

Opportunities for Cooperation with Austria

The [OeAD](#), Austria's Agency for Education and Internationalisation, works on behalf of the Austrian Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Research. For more than 60 years the OeAD has advised, supported and connected people and institutions in education, science, research and culture with future-oriented programmes. Furthermore, it is the national agency for the implementation of Erasmus+ and the European Solidarity Corps.

Funding by the European Programme Erasmus+

Erasmus+ supports the mobility of individuals enrolled or employed at universities from European countries to the USA or vice versa. The application deadline for the Erasmus+ mobility actions is annually in February/March. On top of this Erasmus+ offers funding opportunities for HEIs to support networking activities, strategically enhance the professional skills of HEI staff, or to create transnational cooperative partnerships with organisations from other countries producing innovative outputs and exchanging best practices. Opportunities for cooperation among organisations and institutions relevant to the United States are Erasmus Mundus Design Measures, Erasmus Mundus Joint Master's and Jean-Monnet Actions. For more details see: <https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu>

Individual Scholarship Opportunities

To Austria: The [Ernst Mach Grant – worldwide](#) invites applications from PhD students, postgraduates, postdocs and young lecturers from universities outside of Austria. Students and academic teaching staff from all fields of study can apply for a grant period of one to nine months.

Application deadline: 1 February

To the US: The [Marietta Blau Grant](#) offers excellent PhD students the opportunity of research stays of six to twelve months. It helps PhD students to optimise their dissertations; the target group are junior researchers.

Submission dates: 1 February and 1 September

Young Austrian scholars in humanities and social sciences can apply for doctoral research fellowships at the [Centres for Austrian Studies](#) in Minnesota and New Orleans. The fellowships are for up to twelve months, the application deadlines are in early spring every year.

Further Services

The [OeAD Map](#) makes OeAD funding visible and gives OeAD scholarship holders and alumni the opportunity to create a profile to get in touch with each other.

[grants.at](#) is Austria's most extensive online database for scholarships and research grants for all academic areas and provides students, graduates and researchers with financial support options.

[Euraxess Austria](#) offers information and advice for researchers and supports them during research stays in Austria.



AUSTRIAN BUSINESS AGENCY – What we do

INVEST IN AUSTRIA



We are there to provide help and support when foreign companies want to set up business operations in Austria or expand existing facilities.

WORK IN AUSTRIA



Austria offers many attractive jobs for skilled workers from abroad. We are the clearing and advisory centre for both sides.

FILM IN AUSTRIA



Tom Cruise climbs down a rope from the Vienna State Opera and James Bond flies across Tyrol. We work "behind the scene" so that the world sees these images.



WILLKOMMEN DAHEIM – Building bridges for Austrians Abroad to Austria

CONNECT SUCCESS	CUSTOMIZED SOLUTIONS	COMMUNITY SPIRIT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support job search in Austria • Assistance in setting up your own business in Austria • Information on financing options • Network to recruiters, head-hunters and job coaches 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partner & Family support • Dual Career options • Individual advice on immigration procedure • School Search • Assistance with authorities • Advice on car import • Legal and tax advice by experts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strong network to industry, business owners and stakeholders in the public and private sector • Regular community meetings • LinkedIn Private Group • Webinars & Workshops • Mentoring programs

Promote Austria as Business Location internationally

Accompany international companies in investment process and support international founders during company setup

Support international companies expanding in Austria



Useful Links

Willkommen Daheim Webpage: <https://www.workinaustria.com/willkommen-daheim/>

Video Testimonial: <https://www.workinaustria.com/willkommen-daheim/#h-denise-haslwanter-1>

Essential Guide: <https://www.workinaustria.com/unsere-services/services-fuer-fachkraefte/#h-the-essential-guide-to-living-and-working-in-austria-9407>

Austrian Marshall Plan Foundation

→ The Foundation benefits and supports the co-operation between Austrian and American universities and academics

→ The support is carried out in the framework of:

- Endowed Professorships, Fellowships, Public lectures & Discussions & Publications

→ Main Topics:

- STEM
- International/Transatlantic relations
- Legacy of the Marshallplan

→ Three Fellowship Programs (up to 110 Fellows p.a.)

- The Marshallplan Scholarship (STEM – Bachelor, Master, PraeDoc)
- The UC Berkeley Program at the Institute for European Studies (Social- and Economic Sciences – PraeDoc)
- The UNO Program (restart in 2024 – expected for PostDocs)

→ More Information: www.Marshallplan.at



Austrian Research Promotion Agency FFG

Portfolio of international services

Our mission

The Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG) is the national funding agency for industrial research and innovation in Austria. Every year FFG approves funding for around 5,000 new projects, ranging from technical and scientific internships and feasibility studies to grants for industrial projects and support for cooperative projects in cutting-edge fields and top research centres. Directly or indirectly, the FFG influences, manages or awards a total of over three billion euros in research expenditure in Austria, making it the country's central hub for industry-related research and innovation.

Accordingly, FFG vigorously supports participation in European and international research programmes as well as networking across national boundaries. It acts as the National Contact Point for a variety of programmes¹ and is actively involved in a range of European and international initiatives, including [ERA-NETS](#), the Enterprise Europe Network and Euraxess, the ERA Talent Platform.

FFG funding schemes play an important role in generating knowledge, developing new products and services, and enhancing competitiveness in the global marketplace. This includes supporting international networking and encouraging careers in science. Two out of three FFG-funded projects involve close collaboration between companies and scientific partners. This encourages the transfer of knowledge and technology, helps to turn basic research findings into industrial applications, and supports the realisation of flagship projects.

Instruments and programmes for international cooperation

Embedded in the European research and innovation framework, FFG strongly supports international cooperation by:

Support to applicants to calls for **Marie-Sklodowska-Curie Actions** (MSCA) and the **European Research Council** (ERC) through awareness raising, tailor-made consultancy and trainings

Career Grants and Industrial PhD's that offer funding for individual researchers and PhDs to cover travel costs to job interviews in Austria, relocation costs and Dual Career Grants.

National R&I programmes open for companies, SMEs, industry, research organisations from abroad to team up with Austrian partners and participate in national R&I projects to the extent of up to 20% of total costs. These thematic oriented funding programmes address among others challenges in the fields of energy, mobility, circularity and climate neutral cities.

TECXPORT showcasing Austrian technology expertise and supporting providers of innovative technologies from Austria through targeted funding calls, promoting technology profiles in six languages on the [TECXPOR platform](#) and at Austrian Technology Days. The aim is to present Austrian cutting-edge technologies in a modern and easily accessible manner to (1) simplify the search for Austrian high-tech products, technological solutions and services, (2) encourage international technology cooperation and technology export, and (3) enhance opportunities for commercial exploitation. The creation of a technology profile is free of charge.

EUREKA Globalstars, a (funding) programme implementing calls for projects that respond to the need for global research and development cooperation between the network of >45 Eureka member countries and countries or regions outside the network. According to the Eureka Global Cooperation Surveys, the USA and its states and regions rank high in terms of Eureka members' interest for global cooperation in the short and medium term. In case of a US-Eureka Globalstars call, Austrian and international companies and research organisations can apply for funding for applied and close-to-market research and development projects. [Eureka Globalstars](#) can also act as a gateway for countries or regions to become associated and full members of the Eureka network.

¹ including among others [Horizon Europe](#), [Digital Europe Programme](#), [European Defence Fund](#), [LIFE](#), [COSME](#)

The Austrian Science Fund at a Glance

The Austrian Science Fund (FWF) is Austria's leading organization for funding all fields of basic and arts-based research. Based on a rigorous international peer review process, the FWF supports excellent researchers and their ground-breaking ideas. The insights they gain make Austria a more attractive research location and create the broad knowledge base needed to face the challenges of tomorrow. The funding portfolio is for the most part thematically open, and is supplemented in a few areas by smaller, subject-specific funding programs.

The FWF's funding portfolio (www.fwf.ac.at)

excellent=austria

The excellence initiative excellent=austria funds large research networks (Clusters of Excellence), smaller inter-institutional teams (Emerging Fields), and the recruitment of highly qualified professors at Austrian universities.

Projects

Project funding provides researchers with the freedom and flexibility they need to carry out pioneering projects in all areas of basic research. In addition to national projects, custom-tailored funding is available for bi- or trilateral projects.

Careers

Career funding opportunities support researchers at different career stages, from PhD to postdoc and beyond. They give researchers the chance to gain a foothold in cutting-edge research, both in Austria and abroad.

Collaborations

These funding programs are designed to expand and strengthen cooperative research in teams of all sizes, across institutional and regional borders.

Communication

Disseminating research findings and entering into a discourse with the public – funding is available for citizen science projects, science communication, and the publication of research results.

Additional subject-specific funding

In addition to its thematically open programs, the FWF offers targeted funding opportunities for research on selected topics as well as privately funded research awards.

International programs

Researchers can also apply for funding for international research projects. Thanks to numerous agreements with partner organizations in Europe and beyond, researchers can choose from a wide range of cooperating countries.

aws First International Incubator

Allgemeine Informationen zur Förderung

- Erweiterung (in Form eines Moduls) des [aws First Inkubators](#):
 - Ziel: Internationale Fachkräfte sowie Studierende in Österreich halten und deren Gründungsideen in Österreich umsetzen
 - Zielgruppen:
 - Internationale Start-up GründerInnen, die in Österreich gründen möchten oder bereits gegründet haben
 - Internationale Studierende, die schon in Österreich sind und in Österreich gründen möchten
 - Sprache: Englisch
- Laufzeit des Moduls: ca. 6 Monate

Voraussetzungen für die Teilnahme am Modul (Stichtag: Tag der Antragsstellung)

- Aufrechter Aufenthaltstitel mit Arbeitsgenehmigung für Österreich bis mind. Februar 2024
- Teamzusammensetzung: 1 – 4 Teammitglieder (mind. 50% nicht österreichische/r StaatsbürgerInnen)
- Wenn bereits gegründet: Firmensitz in Ö, Gründungsdatum darf bei Einreichung nicht länger als 6 Monate zurückliegen

[Weitere Kriterien siehe Programmdokument.](#)

Inhalte des Moduls

- Gründungsbegleitung durch erfahrene MentorInnen und ExpertInnen (Fokus auf Gründung in Österreich)
- Organisation von interkulturellen Veranstaltungen
- Durchführung von teamindividuellem Mentoring, Trainingseinheiten und Professionalisierungsmaßnahmen
- Monetäre Unterstützung: nicht rückzahlbare Zuschüsse in Form von Personal-, Projekt-, Miet- und Reisekosten in Höhe von insgesamt max. EUR 55.000,-

Auswahlverfahren

1. Einreichung möglich von 28.03. – 05.05.2023
2. Auswahl der Top 14 Projekte für Assessment-Center (aws First International Preschool) von 30.5. – 02.06.2023 in Wien
3. Aufnahme von max. 10 Projekten
4. Start des Förderprogrammes: Juli 2023

Einreichungen

- Anzahl der Einreichungen: 27 Projekte
- Nationalitäten: 25 (siehe Grafik)
- Alter: ca. zwischen 25 und 40 Jahren
- Bereits gegründete Unternehmen: 5
- Noch nicht gegründet: 22

Insg. wurden 9 Projekte in das Förderprogramm aufgenommen



[Fotos der aws First International Preschool in Wien.](#)

Fulbright Austria

Austrian-American Educational Commission
Q21/Museumsquartier
Museumsplatz 1
Vienna 1070
Austria
www.fulbright.at

Fulbright Austria is a binational commission based on the Fulbright Act of 1946 and established in 1950 by a bilateral agreement between the US government and the Republic of Austria. It currently operates under the authority of the Fulbright-Hays Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961 (1963–present), which provides for binational financing and governance of Fulbright Austria’s programs for US program participants in Austria and Austrian program participants in the US.

Fulbright Austria promotes mutual understanding, cooperation, and knowledge transfer between Austria and the US by sponsoring educational and cultural exchange programs serving individuals and institutions. It fulfills this mission by managing the prestigious Fulbright scholarship program; coordinating a nationwide teaching assistantship program unilaterally funded by the Austrian Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Research (BMBWF) that places US college graduates in Austrian secondary schools; and counseling students and institutions of higher education on opportunities to study in the US as an EducationUSA advising center.

With over 400,000 alums globally, the Fulbright Program was the largest exchange program in the world until the inception of the European Union’s Erasmus Program in the 1980s. The Austrian-American segment of the global Fulbright Program is the largest bilateral exchange program between the two countries. More than 2,700 US citizens and 3,700 Austrian citizens have participated in exchanges under the auspices of the Fulbright Program since 1950. Furthermore, over 4,400 US college and university graduates have been placed in Austrian secondary schools in communities large and small in all nine Austrian provinces since Fulbright Austria began administering the US Teaching Assistantship (USTA) program on behalf of the BMBWF in 1962.

Programs in Austria: <https://www.fulbright.at/programs/in-austria/>

Programs in the US: <https://www.fulbright.at/programs/in-the-usa/>

Press page: <https://www.fulbright.at/about/press>

Brochures and flyers: <https://www.fulbright.at/about/download-area>

Links to policy papers and data

RTI Strategy 2030

https://www.bundestkanzleramt.gv.at/dam/jcr:90b413e2-ce1b-4326-9c4a-dfbb3e67d4c9/RTI_Strategy_2030.pdf



RTI Pact 2024-2026

https://www.bundestkanzleramt.gv.at/dam/jcr:92051a80-56e8-428b-9821-d18cbc335af8/032023_FTI-Pakt_en.pdf



Factsheet Austrian Research and Technology Report 2023

https://www.bmbwf.gv.at/dam/jcr:a3f0388a-d5a4-4fb5-a021-a17956ecd449/FTB_2023_Factsheet_EN_bf.pdf



2022 > Wissenschaft in Österreich/Statistiken Science in Austria/Statistics

https://www.bmbwf.gv.at/dam/jcr:21bc3d57-7f54-431d-9e98-bd3d559f33cc/Wissenschaft%20in%20%C3%96sterreich_2022_gesamt_bf.pdf



Study on Causations of Science and Democracy Skepticism in Austria

https://pubshop.bmbwf.gv.at/index.php?article_id=9&type=gesamtkatalog&pub=1044



Austrian Research Infrastructure Database

The database provides an information platform on research infrastructure in science, research and industry. Research infrastructures for new project can be found or offered via database.

<https://forschungsinfrastruktur.bmbwf.gv.at/en>

