

## **Leibniz ScienceCampus**

### **Eastern Europe – Global Area (EEGA)**

**Call for Applications:** EEGA@future: Graduate- and Postgraduate-Grants

**Deadline for submissions:** 25 July 2019

**Start of funding:** 1 October 2019

**Funding period:** 4 weeks to 3 months

#### **Graduate Grants**

The EEGA invites applications of talented graduate students who want to develop a BA thesis in the field of research of EEGA i.e. Eastern European Studies, European Studies, Global and Area Studies, and the disciplines involved in the ScienceCampus. To support scholarship holders during the period of intense writing, EEGA awards individual scholarships of 450 Euros per month for periods of funding of a minimum of 4 weeks to a maximum of 3 months (within the time frame October – December 2019). Extensions are not foreseen. Residence in the Leipzig – Halle – Jena science region during the fellowship is obligatory.

EEGA will provide both financial as well as topical support to scholarship holders. EEGA facilitates access to existing infrastructures at the EEGA member institutions. Scholarship holders get the opportunity to participate in existing PhD- and institutional colloquia and other events of participating institutes. The ScienceCampus also offers additional training measures and services to the scholarship holders. The scholarship holders will get the chance to receive specific counselling from EEGA Postdocs and Guest Researchers, individual consultation with research area coordinators in the ScienceCampus, and training sessions organised by EEGA.

Eligible for graduate grants are BA students from institutions in Germany and other countries that are related to EEGA members institutions (see [www.leibniz-eeга.de](http://www.leibniz-eeга.de)) through individual cooperations and cooperation agreements. Main criterion for selection is the compatibility of the graduate student's research interest with the focus and aims of the EEGA. Eligible are graduate students only.

#### **Postgraduate Grants**

The EEGA furthermore calls for applications from talented postgraduate-students who want to develop a PhD proposal in the field of research of EEGA. The individual scholarship of 750 Euros per month is granted for 3 months of funding (October – December 2019). Extensions are not foreseen. Residence in the Leipzig – Halle – Jena science region during the fellowship is obligatory.

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scholarship holders will get the chance to receive specific counselling from EEGA Postdocs and Guest Researchers, individual consultation with research area coordinators in the ScienceCampus, and training sessions organised by EEGA. The programme for postgraduate students starts every October and comprises consultations and coaching sessions. Handing in a first draft of the PhD proposal is foreseen after 6 weeks. After 12 weeks an outline has to be submitted for review. Participation in the trainings, lectures and seminars organised by the ScienceCampus is obligatory.

Eligible for Postgraduate-Grants are MA students / Postgraduates from institutions in Germany and other countries that are related to EEGA members institutions (see [www.leibniz-eeга.de](http://www.leibniz-eeга.de)) through individual cooperations and cooperation agreements. Main criterion for selection is the compatibility of the Postgraduate student's research interest with the focus and aims of the EEGA. Assessment criteria are the thematic matching of the proposed PhD project with the aims and agenda of the ScienceCampus, the quality of the proposal and study record of the applicant. Eligible are postgraduate students only. Generally, the submission of the MA thesis should not date back longer than 12 months.

#### Commitment:

Graduate scholarship holders commit to handing in a time line and work plan outlining the activities during their stay at EEGA after the first two weeks. Furthermore, they commit to handing in an outline with a length of min. 1.000 words, or first draft (depending on period of funding) of their BA thesis within 7 days after the completion of their fellowship to the EEGA coordination and one of the research area coordinators for review. Failure to submit the required documents will lead to the discontinuation of the scholarship. Repayments will be claimed.

The Postgraduate scholarship holders commit to handing in a first draft of the PhD proposal after 6 weeks, including a time line and work plan. It shall have a length of ca. 1.000 words. After 12 weeks a full proposal of ca. 3.000 words has to be submitted to the EEGA coordination and one of the research area coordinators for review. Failure to submit the first draft will lead to the discontinuation of the scholarship. Repayments will be claimed.

By no later than 4 weeks in advance of the scholarship a formal scholarship agreement will be signed by the spokespersons of the ScienceCampus EEGA and the scholarship holder.

#### The Leibniz ScienceCampus EEGA:

The Leibniz ScienceCampus "Eastern Europe – Global Area" (EEGA) is committed to developing new research perspectives on Eastern Europe, engaging in knowledge exchange activities on the region with stakeholders, and promoting young researchers. It follows the idea that the multi-disciplinary and multi-faceted examination of processes of globalisation are a key for a better understanding of actual societal developments. The focus is on Eastern Europe's diverse, tension-filled, and sometimes paradoxical globalisation projects "from within" and "from the outside", and thus, on the self-positioning of Eastern European societies under the global condition.

The EEGA brings together interdisciplinary knowledge and expertise from researchers affiliated with both universities and research institutes in the Leipzig-Jena-Halle science region. Together with partners from the region, the EEGA explores the fields of migration and mobilities; business strategies and political economies; cultural and intellectual perspectives and identities; and political integration in a changing global arena. Overcoming prejudices and clichés, some of which are rooted

in the era of the Cold War, and promoting an informed understanding of Eastern Europe in its diverse traditions and positions, developments and (internal) dynamics, are the primary mission.

The EEGA focuses on five Research Areas:

- Research Area 1: Mobilities and Migration Regimes in Eastern Europe  
(Coordination: Judith Miggelbrink and Helena Flam)
- Research Area 2: The Self-Positioning of Eastern Europe in a New World Order In-The-Making  
(Coordination: Frank Hadler and Matthias Middell)
- Research Area 3: Business Strategies and Frameworks of Political Economies  
(Coordination: Sebastian Henn, Thomas Glauben and Thorsten Posselt)
- Research Area 4: Cultural and Intellectual Perspectives and Identifications  
(Coordination: Jürgen Heyde, Yvonne Kleinmann and Stefan Troebst)
- Research Area 5: Eastern Europe in Times of Europeanisation  
(Coordination: Gert Pickel and Holger Lengfeld)

**Applications must include:**

1. EEGA Application Form
2. CV
3. Abstract (250 – 500 words), field of research and 5 keywords describing the intended PhD project
4. Letter of reference

**Please submit your application as one PDF (max. 18 pages, 10 MB) to [leibniz-eega@ifl-leipzig.de](mailto:leibniz-eega@ifl-leipzig.de) and consider the notes for the specific funding measures the EEGA provides.**

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