

## Interested?

All interested postdoctoral researchers should apply directly to the DAAD for a fellowship. The selected Leibniz Institute will rate the quality of the candidates respective their research projects, and judge whether the project fits the institute's current research. A jury will select the top 15 candidates by the end of June 2014.

### Application Documents

Applicants must submit two copies of the following documents by post:

- completed "Application for Leibniz-DAAD Research Fellowships" form
- recent passport size photograph (attached to the application form)
- curriculum vitae
- list of publications
- description of the research project (max. 3 pages)
- detailed activity plan and timeline (max. 1 page)
- abstract of the doctoral/PhD thesis (max. 3 pages)
- two letters of recommendation, which may be from scholars of the applicant's choice and must be enclosed in sealed envelopes or sent by the referees directly to the DAAD head office in Bonn by the closing date for applications
- copies of all *academic* degree certificates and transcripts of records with certified translations in English or German
- a copy of an English language skills certificate (e.g. TOEFL 550/213/80, IELTS: 6.0) that is no more than five years old

Incomplete applications and applications sent by email cannot be accepted or processed.

A hard copy of the application must reach the DAAD head office in Bonn by 7 March 2014 at the latest. Incomplete applications and applications received by email or after 7 March 2014 will not be considered for a fellowship.

The Leibniz-DAAD Research Fellowship programme is carried out jointly by the Leibniz Association and the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD).

### Leibniz Association

The Leibniz Association is an umbrella organisation consisting of 89 independent research institutions located throughout Germany. There, more than 8,200 scientists work in the arts and humanities, the social sciences, economics, business administration, regional and life sciences, as well as in mathematics, the natural sciences, engineering and environmental research. All Leibniz Institutes pursue an interdisciplinary approach. Leibniz Institutes cooperate closely with universities, other research institutes and various industries in Germany and abroad. Leibniz researchers conduct problem-oriented research that upholds the highest standards of excellence. Their aim is to offer research-based solutions to current challenges facing society. The Leibniz Association is structured into five scientific sections. Further information is available online at [www.leibniz-gemeinschaft.de](http://www.leibniz-gemeinschaft.de).

### DAAD

The DAAD is the largest funding organisation in the world supporting the international exchange of students and scholars. Since it was founded in 1925, more than 1.5 million scholars in Germany and abroad have received DAAD funding. The DAAD runs over 250 programmes, through which it funds more than 74,000 German and foreign scholars worldwide each year. Further information is available online at [www.daad.de](http://www.daad.de).

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## Leibniz-DAAD Research Fellowship Programme

Leibniz-DAAD Fellowships in Germany for  
15 exceptional postdoctoral researchers

**Closing date for applications: 7 March 2014**



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# Research Offerings

Leibniz-DAAD fellowships offer highly-qualified, international postdoctoral researchers, who completed their doctoral studies no more than two years ago, the opportunity to conduct research at a Leibniz Institute of their choice.

The 2014/2015 Leibniz-DAAD research fellows will be given the chance to pursue research at one of the 86 Leibniz Institutes listed under [www.daad.de/leibniz](http://www.daad.de/leibniz). Only Leibniz Institutes listed under the above link can accept fellows this year. Projects that do not correspond with the activities of the chosen institute cannot be considered.



## Terms of the Fellowship

**Fellowships can be awarded for 12 months. They include:**

- a monthly instalment of €2,000
- health, accident and personal liability insurance in Germany
- a research allowance of €460 p.a.
- a two-months German language course in Germany (if desired)

## Application Requirements

This programme takes a bottom-up approach. It gives you the opportunity to pick a Leibniz Institute, choose a suitable project and apply via the DAAD.

### Applicants should

- neither hold German nationality,
- nor have resided in Germany for more than six months at the time of application,
- be able to prove outstanding academic or research achievements,
- have completed their studies with a PhD or equivalent qualification (no more than two years should have passed since graduation), and
- have an excellent knowledge of English. Knowledge of German is welcome.

*“My research stay as part of the Leibniz-DAAD Fellowship Programme even exceeded my high expectations. I got in contact with many young scientists from around the world. Academic supervision and advising were nice and the workplace set-up was perfect. This environment excites and inspires me.”*

*Dr Jumpei Kamimura, Paul-Drude-Institut für Festkörperelektronik, Leibniz Institute, Berlin*



*“We look forward to welcoming the next round of exceptional postdoctoral researchers. The Leibniz Association offers exciting research facilities at institutions with excellent international reputations.”*

*Professor Karl Ulrich Mayer,  
President of the Leibniz Association*