Guidelines

Regarding Awarding of Grants for Research Fellows by the DFG Center for Advanced Studies "Words, Bones, Genes, Tools" at the Eberhard-Karls-University of Tübingen

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The DFG Center for Advanced Studies "Words, Bones, Genes, Tools" at the Eberhard-Karls-University of Tübingen is an independent, interdisciplinary, comprehensive unit having no legal capacity.

By virtue of the grant approval of December 9th 2019 (Forschergruppe 2237, AOBJ: 663553; applicant Prof. Dr. Katerina Harvati and AOBJ 664509; applicant: Prof. Dr. Gerhard Jäger), the DFG Center for Advanced Studies was created for a second period of four years and will be financed solely by public funding from the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (German Research Foundation, which is in turn financed through the state and federal budgets). A particular task of the DFG Center for Advanced Studies is to conduct joint research with visiting scientists invited to the Center as fellows.

The DFG Center for Advanced Studies awards grants to particularly renowned and exceptionally qualified scientists from both Germany and abroad, as well as to guests from business and industry according to the following principles. Grants are those as stipulated by § 3 no. 44 of the German Income Tax Act, meaning as grants from the DFG Center for Advance Studies as an institution established and managed by the Eberhard-Karls-University of Tübingen as a public entity, which are given directly from public funding to promote research as well as scientific education and training.

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The DFG Center for Advanced Studies will award research grants to fellows starting in 2021. The starting date for receiving fellows was postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The grants are intended to promote research in the field of linguistics, paleoanthropology, genetics, and archaeology. To qualify for the grant, the applicant must be selected as a fellow by the two Institute directors, Prof. Dr. Gerhard Jäger and Prof. Dr. Katerina Harvati. The only selection criteria are the applicant's qualifications in the sciences and humanities and the relevance of his/her research or task focus to the central research topics of the DFG Center for Advanced Studies.
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(1) Fellows will receive a monthly stipend to accomplish the research task and to cover the costs of living and travel to and from Tübingen. The amount of the stipend is determined by the spokespersons of the DFG Center for Advanced Studies and is a factor of the qualifications and the circumstances of the fellow. The fellows are responsible for arranging their travel to and from Tübingen as well as their accommodation. The University Welcome Center will assist with finding accommodation to the extent possible. If the fellow rejects the accommodations offered by the Welcome Center, he/she has no claim to other housing.

(2) The fellow will also be given a work space with an internet connection in the offices of the DFG Center for Advanced Studies, Rümelinstr. 23 in Tübingen 72070.

(3) Grants are usually awarded according to the proposed research project. In cases in which a fellow can come to Tübingen only briefly and/or comes multiple times, the stipend stated under (1) can be prorated. The Institute directors will decide on the duration of the stay.

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The fellows work independently in pursuing the research projects selected by themselves. The grant does not pose an obligation to a certain scientific service in return or to any specific employee tasks. The fellows are not obligated to give scientific lectures. The grant does not form the basis for an employment relationship, nor is such a relationship intended. The grant is not considered to be remuneration in the sense of § 14 SGB IV (German Social Code).

In fitting with the character of the Center, the DFG Center for Advanced Studies wishes especially to provide the fellow with an environment conducive to research and work. For this reason, it is expected that the fellow be a regular presence at the Institute (Rümelinstr. 23, 72070 Tübingen), will participate in the Center's colloquia and will endeavor to form collaborations with other Center members. However, this expectation is in no way tied to compulsory attendance on the part of the fellow or to the benefactor having the right to issue instructions.

Tübingen, August 30th 2016

Prof. Dr. Gerhard Jäger

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