Dear readers,

The Russia-Ukraine conflict also affects researchers, projects and plans at Bielefeld University. The University already published a statement on this on 25 February. Of course, there is currently a great deal of reporting on the current developments and their possible effects on the academic system. In this context, we would like to draw your attention to the Deutschlandfunk programme Campus und Karriere - Folgen des Ukraine-Kriegs (Campus and Career - Consequences of the War in Ukraine), which already appeared on 5 March, but which can also provide important information and orientation today, a few days later. In addition, you can find the link list Support for students & researchers from Ukraine on the website of the German-Ukrainian Academic Society.

In the following, we have again compiled information for those interested in doctoral studies, doctoral candidates and postdocs, which will support you in your career planning, contribute to the expansion of your portfolio and advance your research.

You will find the notice on the current Personnel Development Programme (PEP) and other news and event notices on the promotion of young researchers at Bielefeld University.

In the sections "External announcements and events" for

- All career phases
- Students and doctoral candidates
- Postdocs

we have compiled a selection of national and international study and research awards, competitions as well as information and funding programmes. Some of the deadlines for submissions will end in the next few weeks. Perhaps there is a suitable topic or format for one or the other of you. In addition, we are, of course, again drawing attention to the application deadlines for scholarships from the Begabtenförderungswerke.

A positive attitude towards diversity is a hallmark of Bielefeld University: it pursues the goal of appreciating the diversity of the people who work, study, teach and research here and of promoting their different abilities, talents and skills. Diversity, heterogeneity and difference represent the foundation of innovative research at Bielefeld University and are the basis of academic life. That is why we are particularly keen to draw attention to the programme of events of the International Weeks against Racism organised by the German Education and Science Union (GEW) in cooperation with many partner institutions:

International Weeks against Racism 2022

The GEW calls for participation in the UN Weeks against Racism from 14 to 27 March. Even in times of a pandemic, there are many occasions and ideas to become active against anti-human and anti-democratic agitation - for a society based on solidarity.

Haltung zeigen! (gew.de)

We hope you enjoy reading our newsletter.
Team Strategic Personnel Development for Scientists, Department for Personnel & Organisation
News on the promotion of young researchers at Bielefeld University

For the summer semester 2022, numerous (online) events will again be offered as part of the Staff Development Programme (PEP). You can already view a large part of the events here. The entire programme will be published at the end of March.

In the following, we draw your attention in particular to these events and offers:

**Online-Workshop: Education for sustainable Development** (held in German)

**Online information event: Working in Committees at Bielefeld University** (held in German)

**Online-Workshop: Mental Load: How families can reduce mental stress and share responsibilities** (held in German)

**Online information event: PhD yes or no? Basic information for decision-making support** (held in German)

**New Funding Formats and Call for Proposals at ZiF: Visiting Group, Resident Group, Long-Term Group**

**Online event series Career Service: Career & Coffee with ...**

**Online Information Event: Overview of Third Party Funding for Postdocs in Germany**

**Online-Workshop: Career planning for advanced PhD students & postdocs**

**Online-Veranstaltung: PhD Career Stories - Getting inspired**

**Online-Workshop: Writing for international research communities**

**Announcement: Elections to the university bodies in the summer semester 2022**

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**Online-Workshop:**

**Education for sustainable Development (held in German)**

**28 March 2022**

Heidelberg Centre for Education for Sustainable Development

Climate change, loss of biodiversity, growing global disparities - current and future university graduates must be prepared for numerous urgent challenges. This requires a new learning culture and creative methods in university courses. How you as a university teacher can implement this is the subject of the workshop offered by the Heidelberg Centre for Education for Sustainable Development in cooperation with Scientists4Future Bielefeld and the ZLL.

The workshop consists of three parts: In the first part of the afternoon, the basics of sustainable development as well as the concept of Education for Sustainable Development (ESD), which is considered a significant contribution to achieving the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), will be highlighted. In the second part, you can try out a method yourself that is suitable for innovative teaching in the sense of ESD and reflect on its application potential, challenges and conditions for success. Finally, in the third part you will get to know the e-learning platform "Future:N!", an adaptive learning portal for ESD.

**Bildung für nachhaltige Entwicklung - Universität Bielefeld (uni-bielefeld.de)**

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**Online information event:**

**Working in Committees at Bielefeld University (held in German)**

**6 April 2022**

In this information event, you will learn more about committee work at Bielefeld University and get many helpful insights and experience reports on academic self-administration. Are you thinking about joining a committee, but don't quite know how to get involved? Would you like to hear more about the various committees and personal reports from representatives and exchange ideas?
Speakers:

Overview of committees and commissions at Bielefeld University and organisational information on the elections by Merle von der Nahmer (Head of the Central Election Office).

Field reports by:

Dr. Guido Elsner (Chairman of the Election Committee and member of the University Commission for Studies and Teaching)

Dr. Mareike Gronich (Senate member and member of the University Commission for Studies and Teaching)

Dr. Bettina Paris (spokesperson for the Mittelbaurat and member of the University Commission for Financial Affairs and Resources)

Dr. Ines Vitic (Member of the Academic Staff Council)

Gremienarbeit an der Universität Bielefeld - Universität Bielefeld (uni-bielefeld.de)

Online-Workshop:

Mental Load: How families can reduce mental stress and share responsibilities (held in German)

7 April 2022

Target group: Employees who are parents or care for dependents.

Topic: How we can share care work fairly and free ourselves from the mental load trap

Mental load means having to think of everything concerning family organisation. Making doctor's appointments, buying children's clothes, thinking about birthdays - all this comes on top of household chores, child care and education.

Parents and people who care for relatives are quickly overloaded, especially if they work. The mental overload particularly often affects women and, in addition to psychological stress, also leads to financial disadvantages, robs resources for hobbies, prevents recreation and self-care and has an impact on professional life.

Online-Seminare / Workshops - Universität Bielefeld (uni-bielefeld.de)

Online information event:

PhD yes or no? Basic information for decision-making support (held in German)

2 May 2022

The doctorate is a phase in the academic career that is shaped by many factors and conditions. Good planning and informed decisions are just as important as knowledge about possible influences and imponderables. The information event provides initial pointers and framework information for this and draws attention to decision-making dimensions.

The event is aimed at Master's students interested in doing a doctorate who would like to get an initial overview of possible courses of the doctoral phase, prerequisites and financing options.

Promovieren ja oder nein? - Universität Bielefeld (uni-bielefeld.de)

New Funding Formats and Call for Proposals at ZfF: Visiting Group, Resident Group, Long-Term Group

Next deadlines: 5 May and 8 December 2022

For over 50 years, the ZfF, the Centre for Interdisciplinary Research at Bielefeld University, has been funding innovative and outstanding interdisciplinary projects. Since the science system and its conditions are constantly evolving, the funding formats have been redesigned and, in particular, made more flexible.

The selection criteria for all funding formats are:
- interdisciplinarity,
- scientific quality and
- innovativeness at an international level.

The need for interdisciplinary cooperation must result from the topic. The participation of different scientific disciplines alone does not fulfil the criterion of interdisciplinarity.

Call For Proposals 2022 (uni-bielefeld.de)

Online event series Career Service:
Career & Coffee with ... Founders Foundation
18 May 2022
Get to know the Founders Foundation and its start-ups as attractive employers and find out about the topic of founding and exciting fields of activity in the start-up scene.

Career & Coffee with ... Welthaus Bielefeld
30. June 2022
Welthaus Bielefeld e.V. has existed since 1980 as a regional centre with a nationwide impact in the development policy landscape in Germany. Full-time staff and volunteers are involved in education and public relations work, international cultural work, development cooperation with project partners in Africa and Latin America, and the weltwärts voluntary service.

WiSe 2021/2022 - Universität Bielefeld (uni-bielefeld.de)

Online Information Event:
Overview of Third Party Funding for Postdocs in Germany
18 May 2022
If you are considering a career in academia, you will most likely have to apply for independent research funding at some point. This talk will give you a brief introduction to the path from PhD to a professorship in Germany and an overview of the largest funding bodies and the programmes they offer for early and advanced postdocs. We will also cover some dos and don’ts in applications and give you ample opportunity for questions.

Overview of Third Party Funding for Postdocs in Germany - Universität Bielefeld (uni-bielefeld.de)

Online-Workshop
Career planning for advanced PhD students & postdocs
7 and 21 June 2022
Thinking about taking the reins of your career? Whether you want to stay in science or consider entering the non-academic job market, our workshop will help you reach your goal. In part 1, we will focus on what you need for a fulfilling career. In part 2, we will then develop an action plan and set first goals. Please note that it is mandatory to attend both parts of the course. This course can be combined with individual counselling sessions and the event "PhD career stories - Getting inspired", which will take place on 14th June 2022.

WiSe 2021/2022 - Universität Bielefeld (uni-bielefeld.de)
PhD Career Stories - Getting inspired
14 June 2022

There is a life after your PhD! Have you ever wondered what this could be like? If you are doing or have completed a PhD and are considering the next step in your career, our event can help you find your path. During the first part, speakers from a variety of work areas who already obtained a PhD in the past will talk about both carefully planned career decisions and the totally unexpected paths lives and careers can take, too. The second part will be a Q&A session to address questions of all participants. This event will be held in English and is open to all career levels. It combines well with the workshop “Career planning for advanced PhD students and postdocs”.

WiSe 2021/2022 - Universität Bielefeld (uni-bielefeld.de)

Online-Workshop
Writing for international research communities
27 - 28 June 2022

In the academic world, clear, concise texts that are written well and appropriately for their audiences play an important role in convincing journal editors and conference organisers to accept a paper for review and publication, or to invite a researcher to present at a conference.

This workshop supports doctoral researchers and Post-Docs who need to produce professional texts in English as a second or foreign language. It focuses on issues regarding standards of professional English texts for Anglo-Saxon or international research communities, organising ideas and structuring texts effectively, presenting own and other researchers’ findings and opinions appropriately, and using correct terminology and vocabulary.

eKVV: Alle Daten der Veranstaltung (Universität Bielefeld) (uni-bielefeld.de)

Announcement: Elections to the university bodies in the summer semester 2022

For the term of office starting on 1 October 2022, the representatives of all member groups in the Senate and in the faculty conferences will be newly elected in the coming summer semester. In addition, the (re-)elections for the central deputies of the Equal Opportunities Officer from the groups of female university lecturers, academic staff and students will take place at the same time. Further information on the election procedure can be found on the election portal of Bielefeld University by the beginning of April at the latest.

In addition, you will also receive information and experience reports on university committees in general at the information event "Gremienarbeit an der Uni Bielefeld" (committee work at Bielefeld University) on 6 April 2022 from 10:00-11:30.

Contact: Zentrales Wahlamt der Universität Bielefeld: zentraleswahlamt@uni-bielefeld.de
Further Information: https://uni-bielefeld.de/wahlen/

External calls for applications & events

All career phases

Volkswagen Foundation: Visiting Research Programme for Ukrainian Scientists who have fled Ukraine
Applications can be submitted at any time

The funding programme is aimed at Ukrainian academics who have already fled to Germany following the Russian invasion of their country or who will be arriving in Germany in the coming weeks. It offers both doctoral and postdoctoral students and established academics from all disciplines the opportunity to continue their
research work for a period of 6-12 months in a working group at a university or research institute in Germany. The application is submitted jointly by the university management and the host researchers in Germany.

**Gastforschungsprogramm für geflohene ukrainische Wissenschaftler*innen | VolkswagenStiftung**

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**DAAD Congress Travel Programme**

Applications can be submitted at any time.

The programme promotes the active participation of academics in international academic congresses and conferences (face-to-face and online).

Doctoral researchers and doctoral candidates are eligible to apply.

The DAAD uses funds from the Federal Foreign Office to support active participation in international academic congresses and conferences.

Active participation is defined as the presentation of a paper or poster, or the main responsibility for the conception and chairing of a panel.

Participation can take place online or in person, as far as the development of the pandemic situation allows.

**Stipendien finden und bewerben - DAAD - Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst**

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**DFG: “Prospects” Lecture Series on DFG Funding Opportunities for Scientific Careers**

- 5. April 2022 - DFG funding opportunities for scientific careers (in German)
- 10 May 2022 - Walter Benjamin Programme (in English)
- 21 June 2022 - Heisenberg Programme (in German)
- 5 July 2022 - DFG Funding Opportunities for Postdocs (in English)

In this lecture series, the DFG will present the DFG funding portfolio for researchers in early career phases throughout the year: From an initial overview of the central funding opportunities for postdocs to individual individual funding programmes such as the Walter Benjamin, Emmy Noether and Heisenberg Programmes, alternately in German and English. Interested doctoral students and postdocs from all disciplines are cordially invited to attend.

**DFG - Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft - Wissenschaftliche Karriere: Informationsveranstaltungen**

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**DAAD: Monthly Research Talk April: Meet the Helmholtz Association**

- 5 April 2022

Our monthly research talk gives you the opportunity meet experts from German research funding organisations online. Each month we present a different organisation. During the 30-minutes talk you can ask the experts questions about the funding opportunities of their organisation, about the application process or the steps to take after a successful application.

**Research in Germany - Events (research-in-germany.org)**

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**academics (Die Zeit): Online seminars on the topics of career & job (in German)**

With academics’ online seminars, you can get tips and information on career topics such as job applications, job searches and promotion

Next Dates:

- 27 April 2022: Strategic career planning in academia
Deutsche Gesellschaft für Projektmanagement e.V.: German Project Management Study Award

Application phase starts in mid-2022

The GPM has been awarding the German Project Management Study Prize (DSPM) to promote young academics since 1997.

The prize is awarded for academic theses with forward-looking ideas or original solutions in sub-areas of project management. Three theses are selected by the jury each year. To further their PM careers and in recognition of their achievements, the prize winners receive a certificate from GPM, a winner's prize of 1,000 euros, the opportunity to present themselves and their work in the leading trade magazine for project management, PROJEKTMANAGEMENT AKTUELL, as well as one year's free GPM membership.

Candidates can either apply themselves or be nominated by GPM members, companies and universities.

Deutscher Studienpreis Projektmanagement: GPM Deutsche Gesellschaft für Projektmanagement e. V. (gpm-ipma.de)

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Students and Doctoral Candidates

UVP - Society: Study Award 2022

Deadline: 30 April 2022

Every two years, we award the UVP Study Prize to motivated graduates and young scientists who have written outstanding theses and dissertations in the field of environmental planning.

Each award-winning thesis and its author are also highlighted in a publication in the UVP-report.

What does the EIA Study Award include?

- A total prize money of up to 5,000 €, which will be distributed among the prize winners according to the jury's recommendation.

- the publication of all award-winning contributions in the trade journal UVP-report

- Free membership of the UVP-Gesellschaft e.V. for one year, including an annual subscription to the trade journal UVP-report for each award winner.

- Free participation in the UVP Congress incl. travel expenses

UVP-Studienpreis

Hans Böckler Foundation: Call for applications for a scholarship for the junior research group "Discourses of Justification in Turkey's Recent History and Present on the Participation of Women in Armed Struggle" at the Oriental Seminar of the University of Cologne.

Application deadline: 31 May 2022
Within the framework of the junior research group established by the Hans Böckler Foundation (HBS) and at the Oriental Seminar of the University of Cologne, three doctoral scholarships for a maximum period of three years are to be awarded as of 1 December 2022.

Combining individual empirical studies and the common perspective of the discourse on the justification of rights, the junior research group aims to contribute to a more fundamental understanding of the political and social contexts in Turkey, in particular the so crucial connection between militarism and gender constructions.

The individual dissertation projects can argue from a historical, gender-theoretical or Islamic studies perspective, but not only. Possible topics of the individual projects would be:

"Liberation War and Early Republic (1919 to 1945)".

" Conservative and religious discourse communities in the present".

"Looking at the others: the situation in other countries as justification for one's own narratives".

**Job Stipendienausschreibung für eine Nachwuchsforschungsgruppe am Orientalischen Seminar - Hans-Böckler-Stiftung / Universität zu Köln - academics**

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**Doctoral scholarships from the Begabtenförderungswerke (all disciplines)**

Motivated and socially committed students with an above-average degree have the opportunity to be financed during their doctorate by one of the thirteen Begabtenförderungswerke. Doctoral students receive a monthly basic scholarship of up to 1,350 € plus a 100 € flat-rate research allowance and, if applicable, other supplements. The standard funding period is two years and can be extended for another year.

**Deadlines:**

**Avicenna Studienwerk:** 01.04. & 01.10. [Website](#)

**Cusanuswerk e. V.:** Funding lines a) doctoral scholarship and b) research-oriented postgraduate studies (before the actual research phase begins). Application deadline for the selection procedure: 01.06. and 01.11. [Website](#)

**Ernst Ludwig Ehrlich Studienwerk:** 31.03. & 30.09. [Website](#)

**Evangelisches Studienwerk e. V. Villigst:** 01.06. & 01.12. [Website](#)

**Friedrich Ebert Stiftung:** Bewerbungen können jederzeit eingereicht werden [Website](#)

**Friedrich Naumann Stiftung für die Freiheit:** 30.04. & 31.10. [Website](#)

**Hans Böckler Stiftung:** 31.5. & 02.11. [Website](#)

**Hanns Seidel Stiftung:** 15.01. & 15.07. [Website](#)

**Heinrich Böll Stiftung:** 01.03. & 01.09. [Website](#)

**Konrad Adenauer Stiftung:** 15.01. & 15.07. [Website](#)

**Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung:** 01.04. & 01.10. [Website](#)

**Stiftung der Deutschen Wirtschaft:** 31.01. & 01.08. [Website](#)

**Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes e. V.:** Applications can be submitted anytime [Website](#)
Postdocs

German Scholars Organization Berlin: WEBINAR - Professorship as a Career Goal (Video)

In addition to a general overview of different qualification paths for a university professorship, our expert Dr. Hubert Detmer (deputy managing director of the German Association of Universities and other Higher Education Institutions) gives helpful tips and tricks for applying for a professorship. When should I apply? How do I analyse the advertisement texts? And how do I assess my own qualifications? How do I design my application documents? And what should I pay attention to in my cover letter?

WEBINAR: Berufsziel Professur - YouTube

Volkswagen Foundation: "Research on Science: Summer Schools and Workshops" initiative

Deadlines: 2 May 2022, 1 November 2022

Within the framework of "Research on Science", the Volkswagen Foundation supports workshops and summer schools that aim to deepen, link and experiment with the various methodological approaches or theoretical challenges of science research. The aim is to introduce younger scientists from different disciplines to research on science or to provide them with (further) qualifications. With this funding offer, a contribution is made to strengthening research on science as an interdisciplinary and methodologically diverse field of research and to building up and expanding corresponding knowledge, especially among young academics in Germany.

The programme is aimed at post-doctoral researchers who are engaged in research on science. Funding is provided for workshops and summer schools in which doctoral and post-doctoral researchers are taught new knowledge, methodological skills and working methods relevant to the development of the research field. Applications can also be submitted for up to three events that build on each other thematically as a series of events.

Forschung über Wissenschaft: Sommerschulen und Workshops | VolkswagenStiftung

Volkswagen Foundation: New funding initiative "Perspectives on Wealth: The (Re-)Production of Wealth"

Deadline: 25 May 2022 - Int. cooperation projects (outlines) - 12 noon CET
Deadline: 25 May 2022 - Nat. cooperation projects (full proposals) - 12 noon CET
Deadline: 05 July 2022 - Summer Schools (full proposals) - 12 noon CET

With this funding initiative, the Volkswagen Foundation aims to initiate a change of perspective: from poverty research to facets of the phenomenon of wealth. The focus of the first call "(Re-)Production of Wealth" is on the genesis of wealth.

The first call for proposals "(Re-)Production of Wealth" within the funding initiative comprises three funding lines:

1. international cooperation projects

In the first funding line, applications can be submitted for cooperation projects in which researchers from German universities or research institutions work together with international partners on an equal footing in order to generate empirical findings on the (re)production and genesis of wealth in a global perspective and to initiate a target group-specific transfer. Investigations are possible at both the micro and macro levels. The consortia should consist of teams of min. 3 to max. 5 research leaders (PIs). Lead applicants must be employed at an institution in Germany. The integration of at least two international partners, preferably based in the Global South (Low and Middle Income Countries, according to World Bank classification), is mandatory. Furthermore, the integration of social actors (NGOs, etc.) is highly desirable.

2. national cooperation projects

In the second funding line, national cooperation projects can be applied for, with a maximum of 3 main applicants from at least two different German universities or research institutions. Researchers from the humanities, cultural studies and social sciences are to work in closely interacting teams to gain insights into the (re)production and genesis of wealth. The focus will be on the development of new theoretical and methodological concepts for the
study of wealth and the communication of these results. The integration of partners from the natural, life, data and technical sciences is possible.

3. (Inter-)National Summer Schools:

In addition to the calls for proposals for collaborative projects, national and international summer schools can be funded in a third funding line. The aim is to provide young researchers (especially doctoral students, but also post-docs) with new theoretical and/or methodological perspectives on wealth research. The main applicants must be based at a German university or research institution. The inclusion of international partners is possible. The summer school can take place worldwide - also digitally.

Perspektiven auf Reichtum: Die (Re-)Produktion von Reichtum | VolkswagenStiftung

Volkswagen Foundation: Initiative "Open Up - New Research Spaces for the Humanities and Cultural Studies".

Deadline expected in Nov. 2022

The funding initiative "Aufbruch - Neue Forschungsräume für die Geistes- und Kulturwissenschaften" (Departure - New Research Spaces for the Humanities and Cultural Studies) aims to explore new research spaces and, to this end, is looking for projects with a "departure character" that are primarily concerned with open-mindedly remembering and exploring new, original research approaches. This can be done, for example, by bringing together different perspectives in a novel way in terms of content or by exploring new methodological approaches. In any case, it is about the process of discovery that creates space for the new and the unpredictable - not about the final answer to a question or justification of a hypothesis. Explicitly sought are projects with a high degree of originality, which can also be accompanied by a corresponding risk character of the project - the possibility of not achieving the envisaged project goals is therefore not a reason for rejecting a project.

The initiative follows the assumption that new spaces for thinking and research open up more easily where different perspectives come together in new constellations. Through the targeted promotion of research collaborations between two or three researchers, the high creative potential of such a meeting of expertise and perspectives is to be made possible.

The offer is aimed at project teams of two or three researchers who would like to jointly explore new and innovative research spaces. For a funding period of up to one and a half years, the maximum funding amount for teams with two project partners is 250,000 euros. Teams with three project partners can apply for a maximum of 350,000 euros.

Aufbruch – Neue Forschungsräume für die Geistes- und Kulturwissenschaften | VolkswagenStiftung

BMBF-Project: www.innovative-frauen.de Digital event platform & database

InnovativeFrauen is a platform for excellent women in science, business and society. The aim of the platform is to give equal visibility to innovative women with their achievements and potentials, but also with their ideas, inventions and inspirations. We want to show what drives these women, how they help shape the future and find solutions to pressing problems. In doing so, we want to ensure that women are perceived as a matter of course in all professional fields and at all career levels, while at the same time encouraging them to continue pursuing their ideas, research projects and visions.

Excellent female scientists, researchers and high achievers as well as young, aspiring innovators can register in a database on #InnovativeWomen and thus become visible with their achievements and potential. In addition, there is the possibility to participate in podcasts, to present one's own career path in a video portrait or to participate in focus topics with one's own expertise.

#InnovativeFrauen (innovative-frauen.de)