

Klaus Tschira Boost Fund

Funding for Researchers in the Natural Sciences,
Mathematics and Computer Science.



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Idea

Through the Klaus Tschira Boost Fund, we promote excellent researchers by providing

- **flexible funding** to create scope for independent, higher risk, interdisciplinary projects,
- support in building (international) **collaborations and networks**,
- targeted **mentoring and advice** on professional and personal development

The objective is to give (young) researchers greater flexibility in shaping their career paths, accelerate their careers, and promote early independence.

The program addresses **early-stage and mid-career researchers** who:

- are employed at a higher education institution (university, *Fachhochschule*) or a non-university research institution,
- conduct research in one of the following areas: Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Earth Sciences, Mathematics, Neurosciences or Physics,
- have the following status: postdoc, junior research group leader, junior/W1 professor.

Funding

It is possible to apply for funding of up to €80,000 for a period of up to two years. In principle, funding can be used for all types of costs; no more than 75 percent of the funds may be used to cover (parts of) the fellow's own salary.

In addition, fellows are eligible to become members of the **alumni network** [AlumNode](#) which focuses on the following:

- **Leadership & Career Development**
- **Science Communication & Advocacy**
- **Projects & Collaborations**

The network offers access to intensive knowledge transfer and sharing, the promotion of independent projects, peer mentoring as well as various advisory and professional development opportunities.

Application

Applications may be submitted by **public higher education institutions** (universities, Fachhochschulen) and **non-university research institutions** in Germany. The approved funding must be requested by the applicant institution and made freely available to the researcher. Funding must be used in accordance with the approved financial plan, and proof of use of funds is submitted to GSO.

Applications must be sent to GSO electronically. Please use the relevant [online application form](#). **Application guidelines** can be [downloaded](#).

The following **application documents** are mandatory:

1. **research outline** including financial plan and timetable
2. researcher's informative **CV**
3. researcher's **motivation letter**
4. **letter of support** from applicant institution

Application Deadlines are announced on our website. Please subscribe to our newsletter for further information. There is no legal claim for funding.

We can not give individual feedback for applications.