

# Klaus Tschira Boost Fund

Supporting Researchers in the Natural Sciences,  
Mathematics and Computer Science.

## Application Guidelines

### The application must include:

- I. **Project plan** including time frame and budget plan
- II. **CV** of the applicant
- III. **Letter of motivation** from the applicant
- IV. **Supporting statement** of the applying institution

### Submission

- Applications must be submitted to the GSO by using the [electronic application form](#).
- Please combine all files into one **single pdf-document** (max. 4 MB) and name it as follows:  
*Boost\_Proposal\_Your Last Name*

The **application deadline** is **31 March, 2023** (23:59 CET).

Please note that we cannot give any personal feedback for applications or provide you with the reasons for our decision. The evaluation of the reviewers will not be forwarded.

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## I. Proposal / Project plan

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### **1. Cover Page** [1 page, English]

Title of your project – 3 keywords – Abstract of your project (max. 100 words)

### **2. Project Idea** [max. 2 pages, English]

What is the basic idea of your research project? Please present your idea briefly and comprehensible.

### **3. Contribution of the Klaus Tschira Boost Fund** [max. 1 page, English]

Describe the contribution of the Klaus Tschira Boost Fund to your project goals.

What goals will be realized for your own independent, innovative, risky, and interdisciplinary project that would only be made possible with this funding?

Without funding, what potential remains untapped?

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### **→ References for sections 1-3 [max. 1 page in total]**

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### **4. Project time frame and milestones** [max. 1 page, English]

Roughly sketch the time frame of your project (Background, intermediate, and final project goals).

What are important milestones of the project during the funding period?

### **5. Use of funds** [max. 2 pages incl. explanations, English or German]

#### **5.1 Budget plan**

The table (see page 3) is available for download on the program website.

Maximum total funding is € 80,000 for a funding period of up to 24 months.

Please list your funding requirement by calendar year.

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<b>Applying institution:</b>				
<b>Name of applicant:</b>				
<b>Funding period</b> (max. 24 months, project start 1 Sept. - 31 Dec, 2023)		DD.MM.YYYY-DD.MM.YYYY		
<b>Funding for</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>Sum</b>
	DD.MM -DD.MM	DD.MM - DD.MM	TT.MM - DD.MM	
<b>a) Staff</b>				
e.g., PhD student				
More				
More				
<b>Total</b>	Sum	Sum	Sum	Sum
<b>b) Material costs</b>				
e.g., equipment, consumables				
More				
More				
<b>Total</b>	Sum	Sum	Sum	Sum
<b>c) Other costs</b>				
e.g., travel costs				
More				
More				
<b>Total</b>	Sum	Sum	Sum	Sum
<b>Total Costs</b>	<b>Sum</b>	<b>Sum</b>	<b>Sum</b>	<b>Sum</b>

## 5.2 Explanations

Please describe and justify the use of the requested funds with a comprehensive, clear explanation.

**a) Staff:** Please explain the necessity of the staff. In the case of partial funding of positions (e.g. PhD positions), please indicate the extent to which co-funding is provided by the institution or others.

**b) Material costs:** Please explain the requirement and utilization of the equipment and consumables.

**c) Other costs:** e.g., travel costs, costs for visiting researchers, workshop costs

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## II. CV of the applicant

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[max. 5 pages, English]

Please include your current position and who it is funded as well as your most important publications (max. 10!), scholarships, prizes, and awards (if applicable).

## III. Letter of motivation from the applicant

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[max. 1 page, German or English]

What are your personal and professional development and career goals?

What kind of support (e.g. coaching, mentoring, and workshops) do you need/desire?

What drives you?

## IV. Statement of the applying institution

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[max. 2 pages, German or English]

The proposal must have the support and approval of the universities'/institutions' leadership. The statement of the applying institution must include:

- a confirmation that the position of the applicant is financed during the funding period, and basic research infrastructure is guaranteed,
- a confirmation that approved funds are freely available to the applicant and used in accordance with the submitted plan,
- *optional*: a short recommendation for the applicant.

### Example (in German):

Die [Name der antragstellenden Institution] unterstützt den Antrag im Rahmen des Klaus Tschira Boost Funds von [Name Bewerber\*in] mit dem Titel [Projekttitle] mit größtem Nachdruck.

[*optional*: Empfehlung Kandidat\*in]

Die Finanzierung der Stelle von [Name Bewerber\*in] wird über den geplanten Projektzeitraum [TT.MM.JJJJ - TT.MM.JJJJ] zu [Art der Finanzierung] finanziert.

Die [Name der antragstellenden Institution] sichert [Name Bewerber\*in] die Bereitstellung der notwendigen infrastrukturellen Grundausstattung für die Durchführung des Projektes zu.

Die beantragten Mittel werden im Falle einer Bewilligung [Name Bewerber\*in] frei zur Verfügung stehen. Die Verwendung wird im Sinne des eingereichten Mittelverwendungsplans erfolgen.

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## V. Potential Reviewers

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In the application form, please name **three potential reviewers** for your proposal. In the choice of the reviewers, be careful to avoid any conflict of interest.

Further information: <https://www.enago.com/academy/suggest-reviewers-paper/>

Please note that the GSO may select other reviewers from those suggested.