



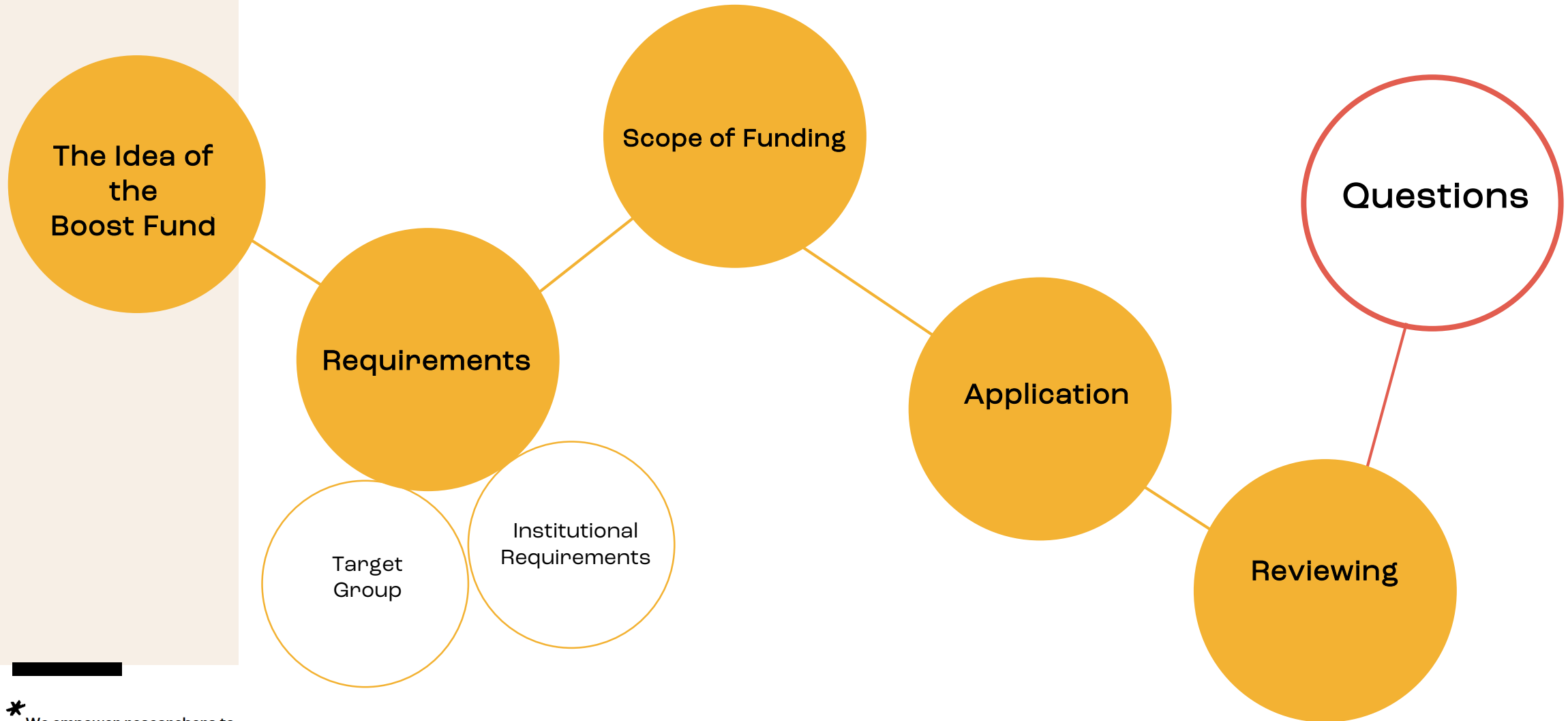
# Klaus Tschira Boost Fund

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## Online Infowebinar 2023

27 January 4pm (CET)

# Agenda



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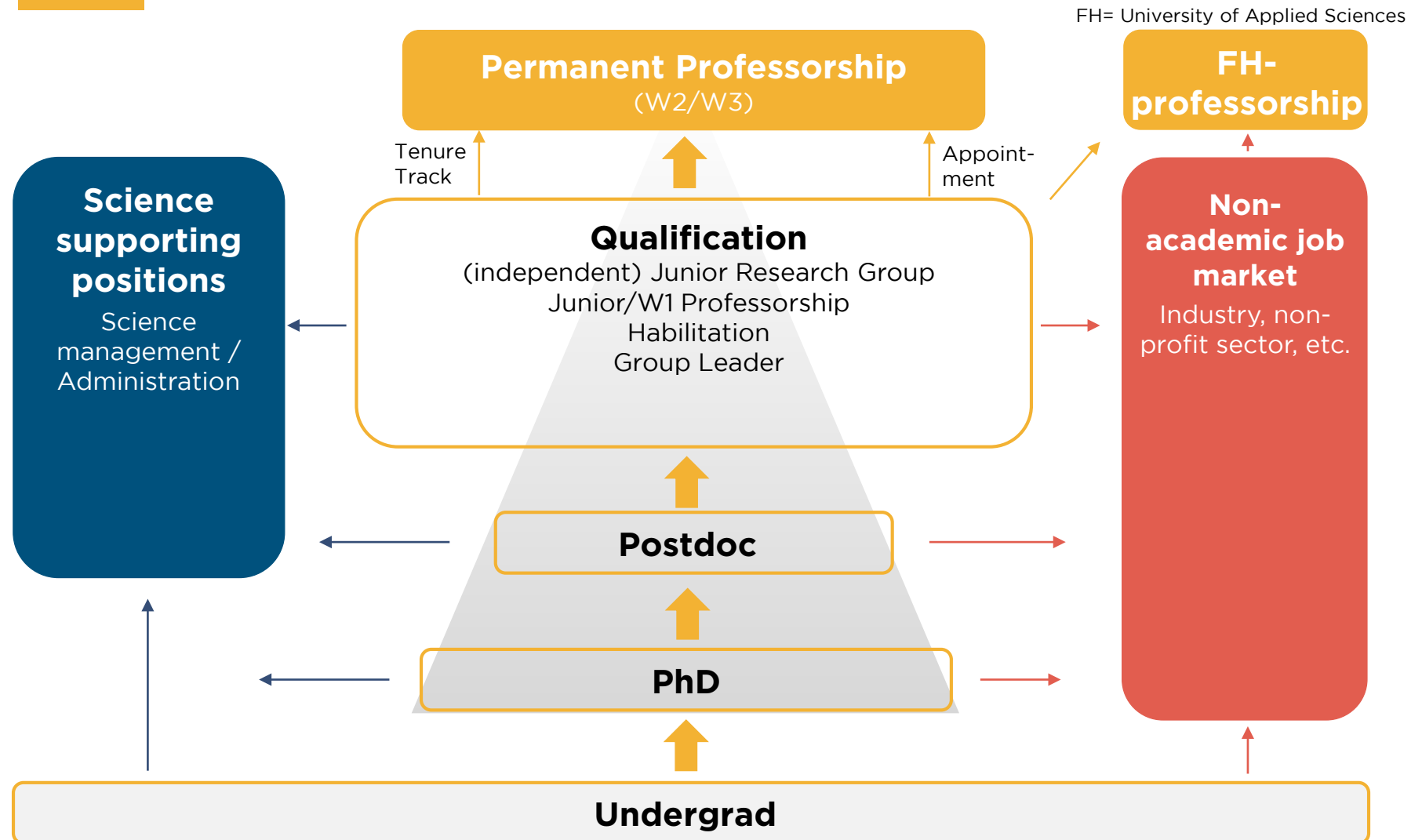
# Idea of the KT Boost Fund

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

The Klaus Tschira Boost Fund offers:

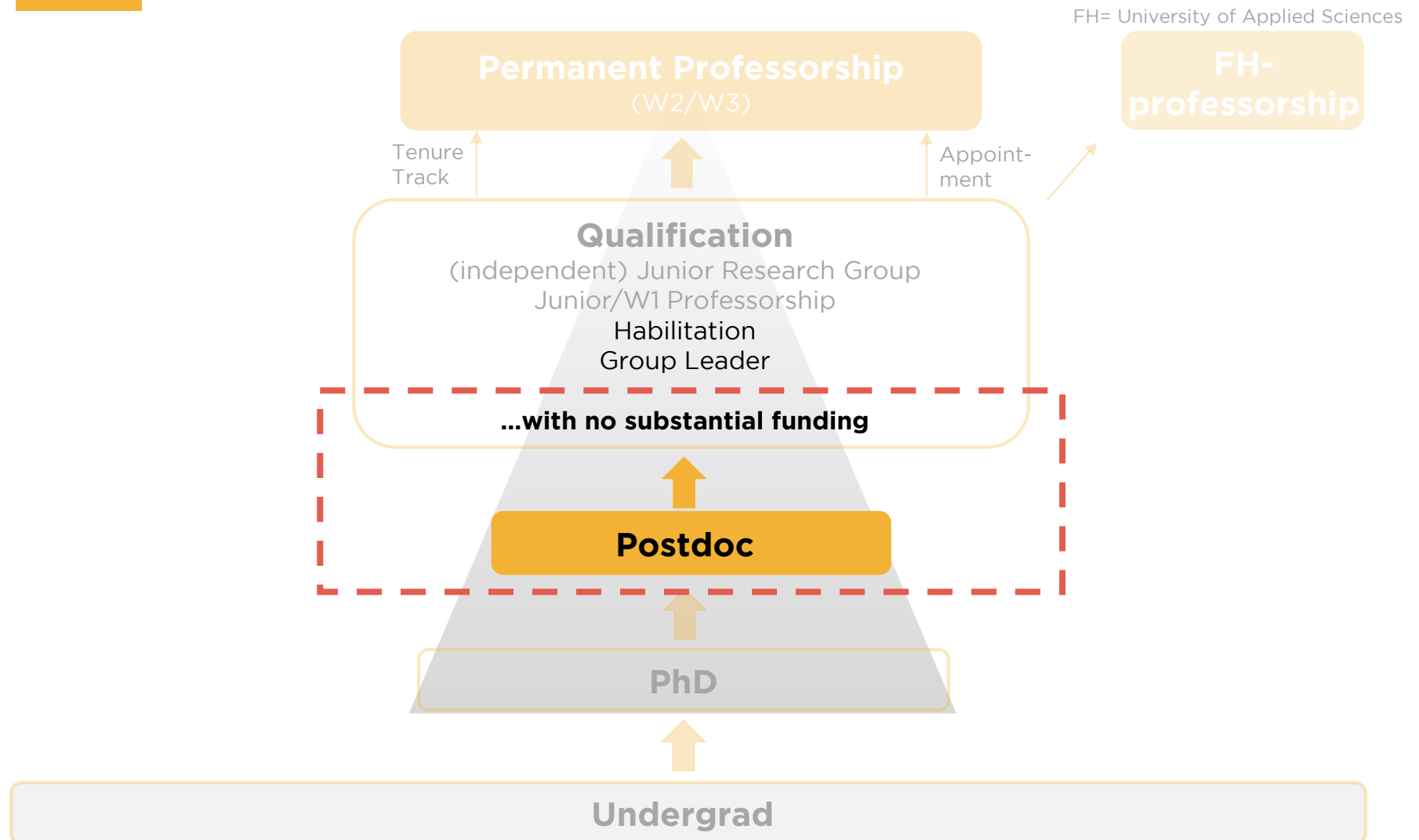
- **flexible funding** to create scope for independent, higher risk, interdisciplinary projects,
- **support** in building (international) collaborations and networks,
- targeted **mentoring and advice** on professional and personal development.

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**Postdoctoral Researchers**

or

**Group Leaders/Researchers**

## ... who

- are employed at a public **higher education institution** (university, *Fachhochschule*) or a **non-university research institution** in Germany – at the latest at the start of their Boost project,
  - conduct research in one or more of the following areas:  
**Biology, Chemistry, Earth Sciences, Computer Science, Mathematics, Neurosciences or Physics,**
  - are **not already funded by a junior research group program** or similar (e.g. Emmy Noether, ERC Starting Grant) **or/and do not have a tenure option (W2/W3) or have a permanent position**
- As a group leader you are eligible to apply **only if** your own position is funded **and** you do not have a tenure option or further substantial funding.

# Scope of the Funding

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 + Individual **Coaching**  
 + Membership in the interdisciplinary alumni network **AlumNode**

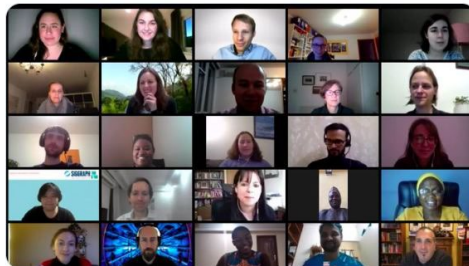
**package worth >2,000 euros per Fellow**

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- **Career Workshops:** Linking Purpose & Career, Practicing Self-Care, Being an Effective Manager, Leading Projects & Teams

- **Connect. Engage. Empower.** **AlumNode** offers access to intensive **knowledge transfer** and sharing, project funding, **peer mentoring** as well as various **professional development** opportunities and innovative workshops

**GSO\*** German Scholars Organization e.V. (GSO) @german... · 6. Nov. 2020 · 44 researchers from 5 continents shared their experiences in #projectmanagement - the main insights: time management is a thing, empathy and communication are key, and don't let perfect get in the way of good. #AlumNode @HLForum



3-Day Interactive Digital Workshop

**From Reactivity to Proactivity**  
 Taking the lead in uncertain times

Sep 24, 2020 | 4 PM - 6 PM (CET) Oct 1, 2020 | 4 PM - 6 PM (CET) Oct 8, 2020 | 4 PM - 6 PM (CET)

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## Application documents

- **Project Plan** *including* a cover page, **budget plan and a time frame**  
What goals will be realized? What potential remains untapped without the funding?  
*Describe the “Boost”!*
- **CV of the applicant** *including* your current position and how your current position is funded, publications etc.
- **Motivation letter** *including* personal and professional **development** and **career goals**
- **Supporting statement** of your institution

one single  
pdf-  
document  
(max. 4 MB)

**Please read the application guidelines and FAQ on our website carefully!**

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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!

**Thank you –  
and now it's time for questions from the Q&A**

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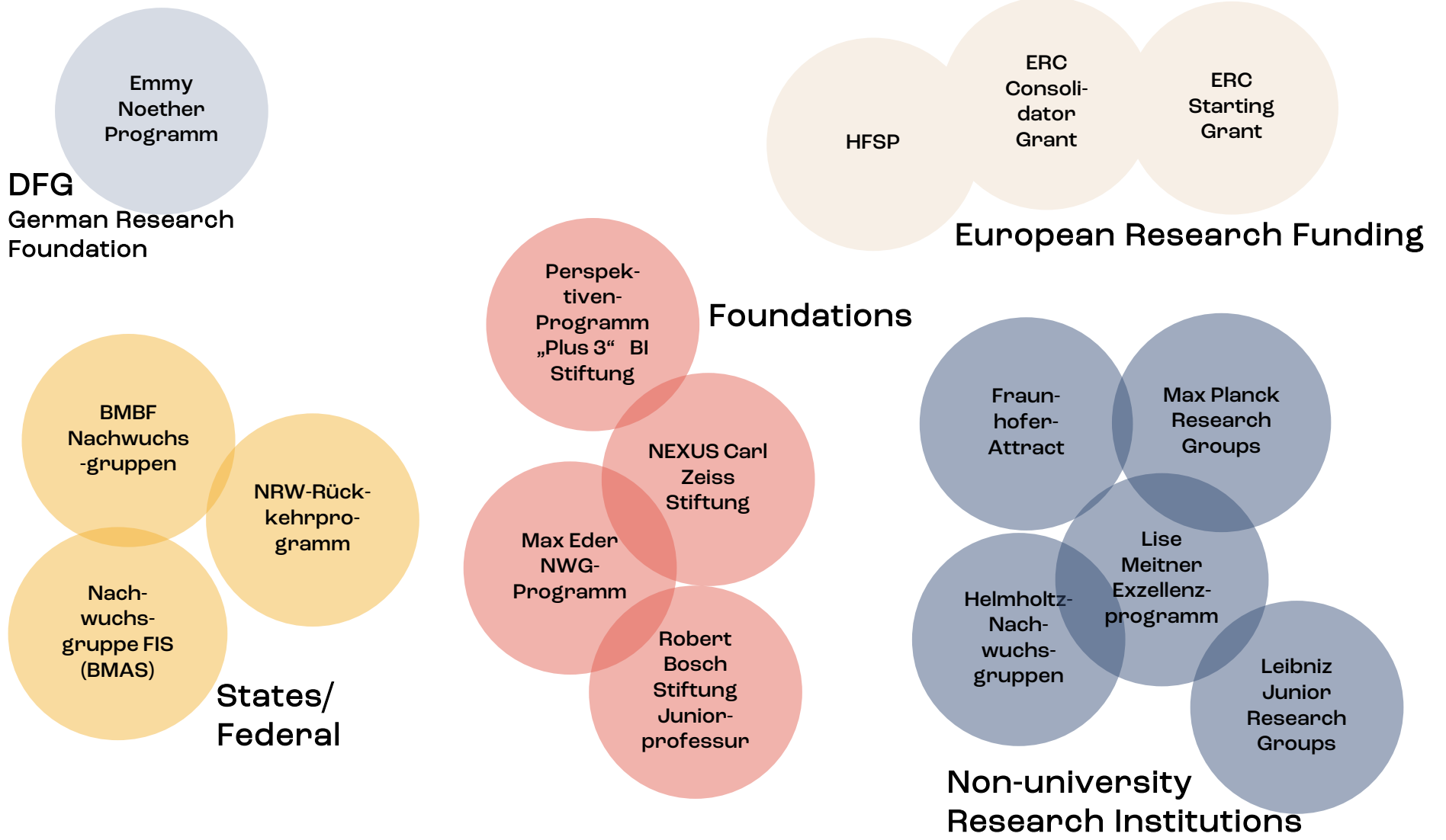
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## Additional Slides

Examples

# Junior Research Group Programs



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