

Research Fund of the Pro-Rector of Research, Talent Development and Equal Opportunities

Funding line 2: Collaborative Research

OBJECTIVE OF THE RESEARCH FUND:

- The research fund provides scientists at the University of Rostock with targeted support in preparing applications for third-party funding.
- The provision of additional resources is intended to support the processing of the application project.

FOCUS OF THE FUNDING LINE:

- Funding line „Collaborative Research“ focuses on support in the preparation of joint proposals (EU, DFG).
- It is expected that promising preliminary work already exists.
- It is not possible to support projects that are coming to an end or have already been implemented.

TARGET GROUP:

- Funding line „Collaborative Research“ is aimed at researchers at the University of Rostock (excluding UMR) who are coordinating a joint application and already have extensive experience in acquiring third-party funding.

FUNDING SCOPE:

- The maximum funding amount of **€30,000** can be used to finance the following expenses:
 - Material costs (incl. travel expenses)
 - Personnel costs
 - Costs for assistants or
 - Teaching assignments
- In principle, it is possible that the funding applied for from the research fund represents partial funding, i.e. the project receives additional funds for start-up financing.
- The project duration is limited to a maximum of 12 months. Applications for a cost-neutral extension of funding can be approved in justified exceptional cases.
- The granting of funding is subject to reservation and depends on the availability of the promised budget funds of the University of Rostock.

APPLICATION DEADLINES:

- The invitation to tender is issued twice a year.
- Submission deadlines are usually April 1 and October 1.
- Applications must be submitted via the [ONLINE-Application Portal](#).

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Scientific quality of the funding application (including preliminary work)
- Potential for acquiring further third-party funds to secure sustainable financing
- Contribution of the research project to further strengthening the research profile of the applicant and the associated institution

PROCEDURE:

- Submission of applications according to the sample template via the [ONLINE-Application Portal](#).
- Examination of the projects for their eligibility for funding by the Pro-Rectorate for Research, Talent Development and Equal Opportunities.
- Forwarding the applications with a recommendation on eligibility for funding to the State Commission for Research, Science Transfer and Young Scientists.
- Review of the recommendation for eligibility for funding by the Senate Commission for Research, Science Transfer and Early Career Researchers, prioritization of the submitted projects if necessary.
- Funding decision by the Pro-Rector for Research, Talent Development and Equal Opportunities.
- Preparation of an approval¹ or rejection² letter (presumably 4-6 weeks after the application deadline).
- Announcement of the funding decision by the Pro-Rector for Research, Talent Development and Equal Opportunities via the website of the University of Rostock and in reports of the Pro-Rectorate for Research, Talent Development and Equal Opportunities.

REPORTING OBLIGATION:

- Submission of proof of submission of the project application to a third-party funding body in the Pro-Rectorate for Research, Talent Development and Equal Opportunities.
- Submission of a proof of use at the end of the financial year or a final report to the Pro-Rectorate for Research, Talent Development and Equal Opportunities no later than 3 months after the end of funding.

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¹ The approved funds are transferred to a sub-cost center of the applicant (KST+10).

² Rejections are generally not justified.