New call for proposals

“GradUS global” promotes doctoral researchers with regard to internationalisation

Deadline for applications: 15th March 2022!

Doctoral researchers from Saarland University can now again apply at “GradUS global” for the support of international research activities that take place during the year 2022.

“GradUS global” is jointly offered by GradUS – the support centre for doctoral researchers at the University President’s office – and the International Office. After expiry of an initial period of funding by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), “GradUS global” is now supported by the Vice-President for Internationalization and European Relations, Prof. Dr. Cornelius König, to further promote the internationalisation of Ph.D. research at Saarland University.

As a brief overview, “GradUS global” usually supports the following types of activities of doctoral researchers from Saarland University:

- Research visits in research institutions abroad
- Professional periods (internships) in enterprises or institutions abroad
- Conference travels abroad (incl. participation in international online conferences or courses during the ongoing coronavirus pandemic)
In more detail, doctoral researchers from Saarland University who want to spend a longer research visit at a foreign institution or a professional period (internship) in an enterprise or institution abroad or to attend an international scientific conference outside Germany (incl. international online conferences or courses during the ongoing coronavirus pandemic) – where they actively present a talk or a poster – are eligible to apply for financial support. While the support by “GradUS global” focuses on these types of activities, also other kinds of measures for doctoral researchers can in principle be facilitated if financial resources should be left.

The main selection criteria for choosing the activities to-be-supported are (1) the academic excellence of the applicants and (2) the motivation for and significance of the planned activity with regard to the applicant’s further (research) career. In addition, (3) the applicants have to describe which alternative funding opportunities for the applied activity have been taken into account, such that a support by “GradUS global” will only be granted after exclusion of alternative funding options (e.g., by the DAAD, Erasmus, or one’s chair/institute/research programme).

Please note that the GradUS scheme does not solely provide funding opportunities, we also support an intense exchange between doctoral researchers from all disciplines and countries. Please subscribe the “GradUS newsletter” at our website to be kept informed about our offers, workshops, and network meetings.

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Please note that a sum of 10,000 € is available for the present call for proposals and that not more than one application can be submitted per person and per call.

Further information: www.uni-saarland.de/gradus