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GradUS – Graduiertenprogramm
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New call for proposals

“GradUS global” promotes doctoral researchers with regard to internationalisation

Deadline for applications: 30th June 2023!

Doctoral researchers from Saarland University (UdS) can now again apply at “GradUS global” for the support of international research activities that take place during the year 2023

“GradUS global” is jointly offered by **GradUS** – the support centre for doctoral researchers at the University President’s office – and the **International Office** at UdS. 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” can support the following **types of activities** of doctoral researchers from Saarland University:

- **Conference travels abroad**
- **Research visits in academic institutions abroad**

In more detail, doctoral researchers from Saarland University who want to spend a longer **research visit at a foreign academic institution** or to attend an **international scientific conference outside Germany** – where they actively present a talk or a poster – are eligible to apply for financial support.

However, in case one of the following alternative funding instruments can be used, an application at “GradUS global” is not possible:

- For research visits in academic institutions abroad, the programme **“Forschungsstipendien für Doktorandinnen und Doktoranden” by the DAAD** can be leveraged (cf. details at www.daad.de/go/stipd57556279). Applicants for research visits abroad should therefore check out if an application at the DAAD is possible in the context of their planned activity.
- For short- and long-term mobility within Europe, the **Erasmus+ programme** is available also for doctoral researchers under certain conditions. Applicants for travel activities within Europe should therefore get in contact with the Erasmus+ coordinators at Saarland University beforehand to check out if an application at Erasmus+ is possible in the context of their planned activity (cf. contact details at <https://www.uni-saarland.de/global/erasmus/mobilitaet-promotion.html>)

Please note that all applicants for “GradUS global” funding will have to describe in the application form which alternative funding opportunities have been taken into account, such that a support by “GradUS global” will only be granted after exclusion of the aforementioned or other alternative funding options.

The **selection criteria** for choosing the activities of eligible applicants 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) preference is given to the support of conference visits (as compared to research visits) and to doctoral researchers who are matriculated (as compared to the registered ones), especially if the “GradUS global” budget cannot cover all of the submitted applications.

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 up to **20,000 €** 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

