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To the

- University professors
- Junior professors

For information of the:

- Deans
- Members and deputy members of the Research Committee

Call for Applications from the Research Committee
of Saarland University

Investment Program for RESEARCH and TEACHING 2027

Dear Sir or Madam,

As part of Investment Program for Research and Teaching, applications may be submitted to the Research Committee for funding to purchase new or replacement scientific equipment, as well as for extraordinary maintenance or repairs of such equipment. Eligible items include, in particular, equipment, software, books (subject to approval and inventory listing by the SULB), and digitized materials, provided they serve the purposes of research or teaching.

A maximum of €125,000 may be allocated per individual application. If approved, the funds will be available as of January 1, 2027. A prerequisite for submitting an application is that the proposed measures cannot be financed from basic equipment funds, project funds, the Research Bonus Program, or performance-based funding (LOM). If significant remaining funds are available, the Research Committee reserves the right to reject applications that reference these funds or to grant approval only on the condition that the applicant contribute a portion of the costs.

Eligible applicants are university professors (W2/W3/C3/C4) and junior professors (W1), provided that they have assumed their positions prior to submitting the application; for junior professorships, written approval from the faculty is required.

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Applications must be submitted exclusively via MS Forms in German or English by

Thursday, September 17, 2026
(deadline for the investment program)

You can find the required documents on the [Research Committee](#)'s website. Incomplete submissions will not be considered.

Submission of the application, including all attachments

After you have uploaded your application via MS Forms, please send a copy of the application to the dean of the respective faculty. The faculty's informal approval must be forwarded to forschungsausschuss@uni-saarland.de within two weeks of the deadline. Denise Kunkel will be happy to answer any remaining questions you may have about the application process and formalities via email (forschungsausschuss@uni-saarland.de).

Best regards,



University Professor Dr. Robert Ernst
Vice President for Research and Outreach