



Research Innovation Fund

Call for Applications 2017

The goal of the program is to help researchers get new and innovative research projects started and provide the project leaders with the necessary means to carry out preliminary works and prepare a proposal for third-party funding.

1. Eligibility

- Junior researchers with a maximum of eight years of independent postdoctoral research experience (periods of parental commitment will be taken into account with one year per child) and junior professors. The applicant must be employed at the University of Freiburg for the duration of the funding period.
- Established researchers of the University of Freiburg can apply if they satisfactorily show the outstanding innovation potential of their project and the particular necessity of a financial support. Eligible are professors and temporary professors of the University of Freiburg. Also eligible are assistant professors (Privatdozentinnen or Privatdozenten) and adjunct professors currently employed by the university.

The Faculty of Medicine manages its own research pool. Applications from the field of medicine will thus not be accepted. Cooperation projects with partners from the Faculty of Medicine are possible, as long as only the non-medical work packages will receive funding.

Please do not submit more than one proposal per PI (including applications as Co-PI or cooperation partner).

2. Type, extent and amount of funding

Applicants may apply for funding for up to six months, or in special cases for up to a year. The funding may be used for research personnel, assistants, material expenses, traveling expenses, workshops, and investments. There is no minimum size for projects. The maximum of funding is €25,000. Please note that you cannot apply for funding for your own position.

Initiatives for Research Training Groups (GRK), Collaborative Research Centres (SFB), and EU projects are eligible for initial funding from the state. Since these projects are eligible for alternative funding, they are not eligible for funding from the "Research Innovation Fund." If you are responsible for one of these initiatives, the Science Support Centre would be happy to arrange an advising appointment for you.

Proposals for research projects within Collaborative Research Centres as well as workshops that are not directly linked to the preparation of a funding proposal are not eligible.

3. Submission

Please follow the guidelines described in the Guide for Applicants. Please send your application by email in PDF and MS-Word compatible format by

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