

Special programme for the continuation of archaeological, ancient Middle Eastern and ancient historical projects in Iraq, Iran and Yemen as well as in Syria, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya and Palestine

Call for proposals

Since 2013, the Gerda Henkel Foundation has been offering a program to support archaeological, ancient Middle Eastern and ancient historical projects in Iraq, Iran and Yemen as well as in Syria, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya and Palestine.

The aim of this fixed-term special programme is to promote collaboration between academics from the above-mentioned countries and their colleagues outside the target region. The Foundation aims to support researchers as they initiate or continue jointly conceived research projects and high-level academic exchange. The idea is for young academics to benefit from regular research collaborations, while experienced academics can pursue their research work with intensity.

This special programme presents the opportunity for academic cooperation partners from the target countries to be invited to an academic institution outside the target region, regardless of the project funding otherwise in place, in order to participate in research for joint projects.

The programme's participants should as far as possible be institutionally anchored in their home countries and should have a university degree. The programme is suitable for an existing project with a foreign academic institution or a specific cooperation agreement already in place.

Funding

Applications can be submitted for funding for:

- **Short-term bursaries for academics specializing in the ancient Middle East (Archaeology, Assyriology), Architectural History, Ancient History, Islamic Archaeology and Art History for the above-mentioned countries** for stays at host institutions outside the target countries, including travel costs incurred (maximum five months) and, to a limited extent, funds to support the guest.

Applications

Applications can be submitted at any time by university professors or project managers of host institutions.

Applications deadline

Applications can be submitted at any time, and the consultation period is generally between two and three months.

The following documents are required:

- **An application overview** with details of the person to be invited (please enter this under "Other project participants/project staff") and of the project (fill in form at www.gerda-henkel-stiftung.de/application_research-projects)
- **Description of the research proposal** (2-3 pages). Evaluators will expect an explanation of the topic of research, the status of the work and of the interest/link with the key points of the research of the inviting institution.
- **Brief work plan and schedule**
- **Overview of the travel required for the research work** and a breakdown, in as much detail as possible, of the likely travel and material costs, as well as the stipend based on the cost of living in the host country (please with proof, e.g. in the form of otherwise standard daily rates). Within a limited framework, support for the guest in the form of an academic assistant can also be counted among the material costs.
- **Applicant's CV**
- **CV of the guest, including proof of a university degree**
- **Declaration** of applications submitted in parallel to other bodies
- **If previous collaborations have taken place: declaration** of the type of the previous collaboration with the dispatching institution or the proposed academic

The stipend is based on the cost of living in the host country and will amount to no more than the levels listed below:

B.A./M.A. – graduates

Monthly basic stipend: € 1,000.00

Flat-rate monthly allowance for living abroad: € 250.00

To a limited extent and in specially justified cases: funds to support the guest, monthly: up to € 500.00

Travel costs up to € 2,000.00

PhD students

Monthly basic stipend: € 1,400.00

Flat-rate monthly allowance for living abroad: € 350.00

Funds to support the guest, monthly: up to € 500.00

Travel costs up to € 2,000.00

Post-doctorates (Dr., PhD)

Monthly basic stipend: € 2,000.00

Flat-rate monthly allowance for living abroad: € 500.00

Funds to support the guest, monthly: up to € 500.00

Travel costs up to € 2,000.00

Professors (holders of a PhD who have been appointed professors)

Monthly basic stipend: € 2,700.00

Flat-rate monthly allowance for living abroad: € 675.00

Funds to support the guest, monthly: up to € 500.00

Travel costs up to € 2,000.00

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