

5. FUturist Call for Proposals

In a nutshell

What is FUturist?

- All members of the FU Berlin university community
- Solutions that have a positive impact on social and ecological change at FU Berlin
- Annually since 2021
 - Climate emergency declaration of 2019
 - Sustainability model from 2016
- Total: €25,000 (5 projects of €5,000 each) plus coaching, consulting, certificate, public relations
- One year funding period



Examples

Teaching



Research

Administration and Management



Learning



Criteria for this call 2025/26

- ✓ Problem-based
- ✓ Impact oriented
- ✓ Novel
- ✓ Solutions that have a positive impact on social and ecological change in teaching, research, administration and at the campus of our university

You must...

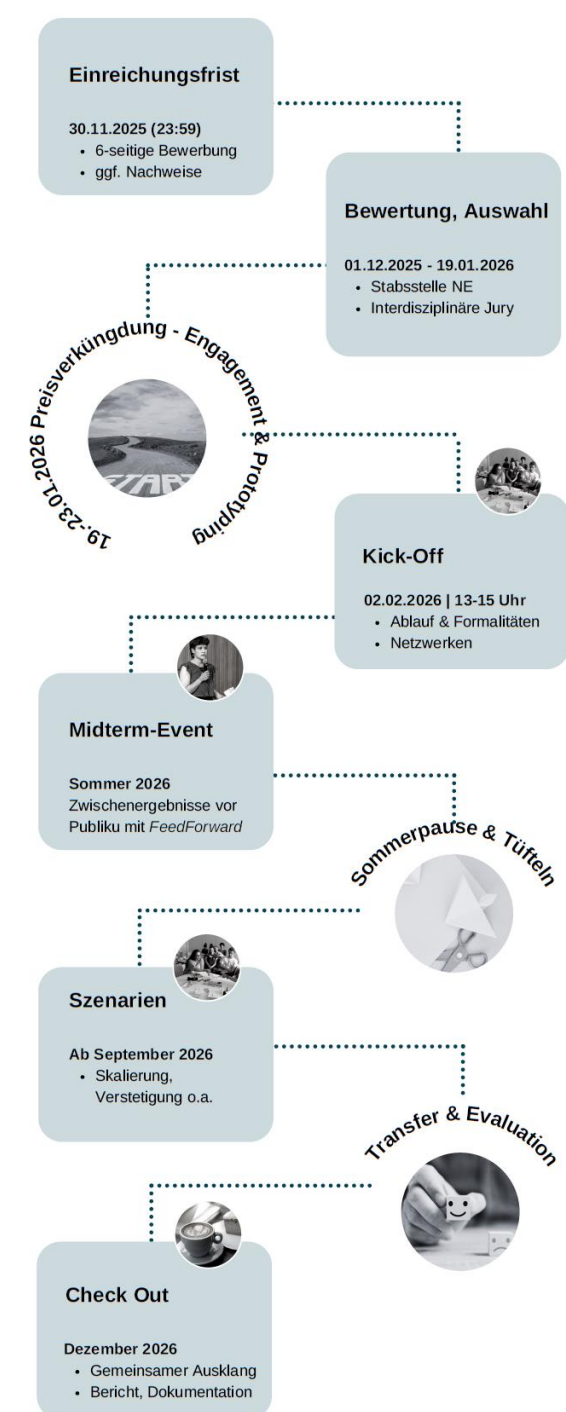
- be employed or enrolled at Freie Universität Berlin.
- have a specific problem and a solution for it.
- attend the kick-off, mid-term, and check-out events.
- submit the relevant documents.

Application

Deadline: November 30, 2025 (23:59)

Template – max. six pages:

- Contact details and supporting documents, if applicable
- Brief description and intended impact: Problem definition, objectives, relevance, originality
- Approach/method
- Rough project and financing plan I
- Informal consent to the publication of the results
- Self-declaration regarding third-party rights



Hints



- ☺ Think in terms of processes
- ☺ Build a team
- ☺ Less is more and feasible
- ☺ Understand the problem
- ☺ Make the solution measurable
- ☺ Transfer: What next?
- ☺ Examples, areas of action, reports for inspiration...
- ☺ Use networks
- ☺ Ask us!

Further information
Futurist program
Sustainability-Commitment
Areas of Activity
SUSTAIN IT!



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