

CURRENT CALLS

Una Europa – Africa Partnership Seed Funding Call 2023

Deadline: February 20, 2024

Funding is available for projects that focus on joint activities in the areas of education, research, and innovation; and/or social engagement in six priority areas: cultural heritage; data science and artificial intelligence; Europe and the world; materials of the future; One Health; and sustainability. Up to six project proposals will each receive a maximum of 36,000 euros for one year. Established academics and early-career researchers from the eleven Una Europa partner universities and a list of African universities are eligible to apply.

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Freie Universität Berlin / FAPESP (São Paulo Research Foundation) – Joint Seed Funding

Deadline: February 26, 2023

Since 2022, a joint seed funding program has been in place between Freie Universität Berlin and FAPESP (Fundação de Amparo à Pesquisa do Estado de São Paulo), one of the biggest funding bodies in Brazil. The SPRINT (São Paulo Researchers in International Collaboration) program offers researchers from Freie Universität Berlin the opportunity to develop project proposals together with researchers from universities or institutions in the state of São Paulo, which are subsequently submitted to FAPESP and the German Research Foundation. This seed funding only covers mobility costs. You can request further information from Christian Lazar, head of the São Paulo Liaison Office, at christian.lazar@fu-berlin.de and Nora Jacobs, program manager Strategic Partnerships and Networks, at nora.jacobs@fu-berlin.de.

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Direct Exchange (and Erasmus+ worldwide) for the 2024/25 Academic Year

It's that time of year again: Applications are now open for students who are interested in studying at outstanding partner universities worldwide. Eastern Europe/Central Asia, Middle East & North Africa Deadline: January 9, 2024
Latin America, Brazil, Canada, Italy, UK Deadline: January 25, 2024

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Fulbright Germany – Travel Grants for Students 2024/25

Deadline: February 1, 2024

Applications are open to German students who would like to study in the USA in 2024/2025 as part of a German-American university partnership program.

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European Commission Publishes Erasmus+ Call for Proposals and Program Guide 2024

The European Commission has published the [Erasmus+ Call for Proposals 2024](#) and an accompanying [Program Guide](#). It offers a wide range of funding opportunities for cooperation projects between universities and other institutions within

and outside of Europe in terms of “Key Action 2” (divided into “Partnerships for Cooperation,” “Partnerships for Innovation” and “Partnerships for Excellence”) and transversal Jean Monnet Actions. With the exception of Cooperation Partnerships, applications for all funding lines are submitted via the [EU Funding & Tenders Portal](#), where you will find application forms and information on how to search for cooperation partners. Further information, application deadlines, and details on informational events can be found on the website of the [DAAD National Agency](#). If you need advice for your application at Freie Universität Berlin, you can get in contact with [Dr. Benjamin Langer](#).

DAAD – Future Ukraine: Research Grants for Ukrainian Master’s Students and Researchers (Funding period: March 1, 2024, to January 31, 2025)

Applications must be submitted at least three months before the planned research stay. Funding is allocated to highly qualified Ukrainian graduates, doctoral candidates, and postdoctoral researchers for short research stays in Germany in order to strengthen cooperation between Ukrainian and German universities and to give early-career Ukrainian scientists access to research infrastructures in Germany. The aim of the program is to support universities in Ukraine and to enable early-career scientists to contribute to the reconstruction of Ukraine and its scientific landscape.

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DWIH San Francisco & GUILD Academy – Women in Entrepreneurship Program

DWIH is fully sponsoring a hybrid innovation program for German students and researchers. Offered in cooperation with GUILD Academy, this program is a combination of online and in-person learning experiences. The online program spans eight weeks, from April 1, 2024, to May 24, 2024. The in-person component will be from September 2–6, 2024. It is designed to be conducted online, employing asynchronous learning modules comprising video content and practical exercises. Ten finalists will have the opportunity to participate in an innovation program in the San Francisco Bay Area. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until 100 spots are filled.

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DWIH Tokyo – Events in Japan

Deadline: December 31, 2023

The DWIH Tokyo offers financial subsidies for events in Japan (e.g., workshops, symposia, network meetings). Funded events must be open to the public (potentially with limits on the number of participants). Any person associated with a DWIH Tokyo supporting institution is eligible to apply. Applications submitted later in the current year may be approved if funds are left over.

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DAAD – Procope Plus 2024. Research Funding for Franco-German Cooperation

Deadline: January 19, 2024

Research laboratories affiliated with a higher education institution, a research organization, or a company collaborating with an academic partner can participate, as well as “poles of competitiveness” or cluster type funding structures. Projects may involve a third partner from another European country.

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The Alexander von Humboldt Foundation and The British Academy Knowledge Frontiers Symposium

Deadline: January 24, 2024

The British Academy is inviting applications for early-career researchers in the humanities and social sciences to attend a research collaboration symposium on the broad theme of “natures, cultures, and communities,” in partnership with the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation. The symposium will bring together around fifteen early-career researchers from the UK and fifteen from Germany (understood as up to ten years after obtaining a doctorate) from across the humanities and social sciences to discuss key questions around the theme of “natures, cultures, and communities.”

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German Research Foundation and CAPES – Collaborative Research Initiative

Deadline: February 19, 2024

Joint call for proposals for German-Brazilian research projects in the fields of law and production technology.

➔ Further information: [law](#) and [production and manufacturing technology](#)

Federal Ministry of Education and Research – Research and Innovation Cooperation with Latin America and the Caribbean

Deadline: February 19, 2024

The aim of this funding program is to create research structures that are sustainable in the long term and represent clearly visible initiatives for research and innovation collaboration in priority areas of cooperation between Germany and the Latin American region. At the end of the funding phase, sustainable and permanent bilateral partner structures should be established with leading research institutions in the partner country in Latin America. Cooperation is to be expanded in the following research topics: raw materials and circular economy; biodiversity; climate protection/climate adaptation.

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German Research Foundation and Arts and Humanities Research Council – UK-German Funding Initiative in the Humanities

Deadline: February 20, 2024

The Arts and Humanities Research Council (AHRC), part of UK Research and Innovation (UKRI), and the German Research Foundation (DFG) are launching a call for proposals for outstanding joint UK-German research projects in the humanities. Proposals may be submitted in any area of the humanities, as defined in the research funding guides. Only proposals whose primary aim is to make fundamental advances in human knowledge in the relevant fields may be submitted in response to the call for proposals.

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CURRENT TOPICS

Bettina Stark-Watzinger, German Federal Minister of Education and Research, and Oksen Lisovyi, Ukrainian Minister of Education and Science, Meet at Freie Universität Berlin

A German-Ukrainian delegation convened to learn about the Berlin University Alliance.

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Delegation of the National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy and Freie Universität Berlin Sign a Central Memorandum of Understanding

A delegation from NaUKMA led by Professor Maksym Yakovlyev, head of the Department of International Relations and a representative of the NaUKMA president in matters of cooperation with Germany, visited Freie Universität Berlin at the beginning of December and was received by university president Professor Günter M. Ziegler and other representatives in the Golden Hall. The expansion of previous cooperation through the Erasmus+ KA171 program – including in the field of trauma research and treatment (Professor Christine Knae-

velsrud), research on eastern Europe (Professor Katharina Bluhm), and international politics and COIL (Johanna Sári) – was on the agenda for the meeting. Professor Ziegler and Larysa Chovnyuk, head of the International Office at NaUKMA, signed a central memorandum of understanding to this end.

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Bridge of Understanding: How the Donation of a German-Jewish Pharmacist Continues to Have an Impact Today

An article by Melanie Hansen in *Der Tagesspiegel* Since the 1970s, the Levy Foundation has been providing funds to support German-Israeli academic exchanges and student exchanges at Freie Universität Berlin. Who was its founder?

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Una Europa Student Congress 2023 – “UnaStory” in Helsinki

From November 14 to November 17, more than sixty students from Una Europa universities came together in Helsinki for the fourth Una Europa Student Congress, which was titled “UnaStory.” Six students from Freie Universität Berlin participated in the event, which consisted of stimulating discussions, educational workshops, and sharing fascinating stories. The trip to Helsinki had many high points, such as micro-challenges on the topic of “The Power of Stories at Play” and panel discussions on “The Stories that Make Us.” In exciting news, Freie Universität Berlin announced that it will be hosting the Una Europa Student Congress 2024.

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Jointly Addressing Global Challenges – The Berlin Center for Global Engagement of the Berlin University Alliance Supports Research and Science Management with a View to Making Global Cooperation Successful

DAAD alumna Dr. Sarah Wessel, BCGE program manager, was featured in issue 02/23 of the DAAD Alumni Letter.

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New Episode: Science Podcast from the Berlin Center for Global Engagement

Climate change, pandemics, mass migration – the world is full of complex and interconnected problems. In this Meridian episode, Kevin Caners discusses how to address global challenges in an unequal world with Professor Adam Habib and why it is important to bring together global science, global technology, and local expertise.

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Freie Universität Berlin Signs Memorandum of Understanding with Kiron Open Higher Education

Freie Universität Berlin welcomed Kiron students to its campus this fall.

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EVENTS

Second Basic Seminar: How to COIL – How to Design Collaborative Online Courses with International Colleagues

January 29, 2024, 3:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m. CET

This ninety-minute online course provides an introduction to the Collaborative Online International Learning (COIL) approach and outlines how you can incorporate digital and international elements into your teaching.

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BeCOIL: Virtual Brown Bag Session

February 8, 2024, 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. CET

In this sixty-minute session, you will be able to exchange ideas with other Berlin-based lecturers on the topic of COIL and develop specific ideas for COIL courses. The event will be moderated by project coordinators from the BeCOIL team, which is represented at nine universities in Berlin.

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Going Abroad – Studying Abroad During Your Degree Program

May 29, 2024, 6:00 p.m.–7:30 p.m. CET

This event is part of the “Uni im Gespräch” informational series with experts from the Student Mobility Office. Location: Student Services Center (room Koo9), Illtisstraße 4, 14195 Berlin.

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Services for International Students and Prospective Students

[International Student Support](#) offers events and workshops specifically for international students and prospective students. Topics include the educational system, the application process, starting a degree program, and study skills.

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