



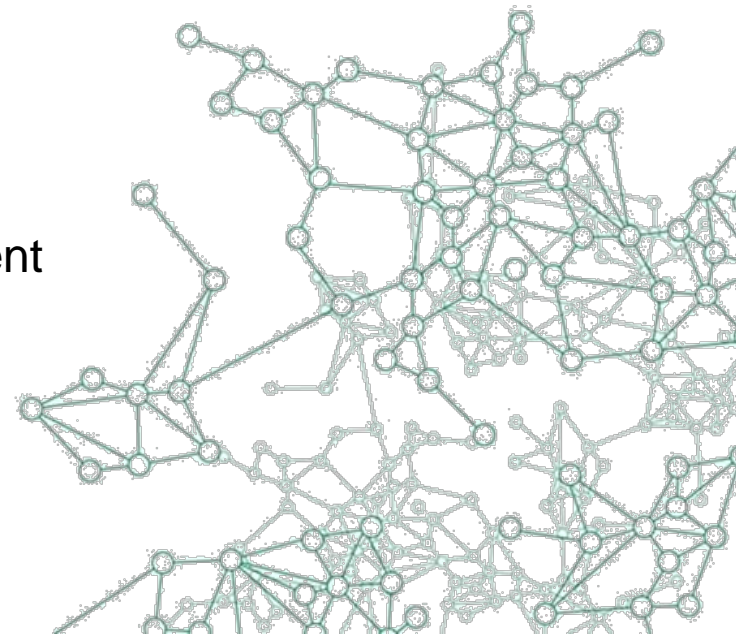
Enhancing scientific cooperation between Germany and the world – Sponsorship and networking programmes of the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation

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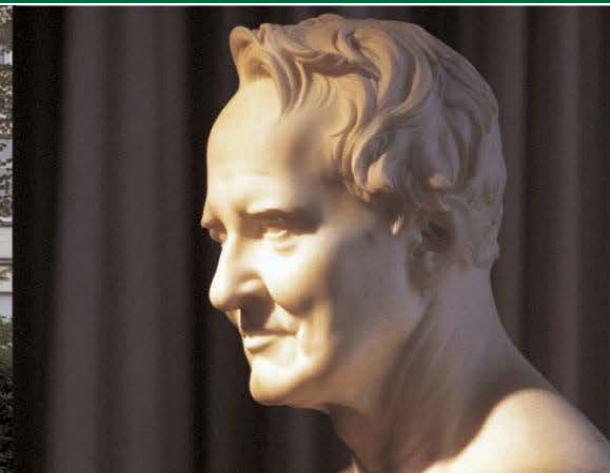
DIES training course on the
management of internationalization





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The Alexander von Humboldt Foundation - Facts and Figures





Historical and intellectual roots

- Alexander von Humboldt (1769 - 1859): discoverer, universal scholar, cosmopolitan and patron of excellent scientific talent
- 1953: establishment of today's Alexander von Humboldt Foundation based in Bonn Bad-Godesberg
- international network of academic cooperation and trust inspired by Humboldt's example





Sponsorship – individual and personal

- sponsorship for top-flight academics (PhD-holders) from all over the world (“Humboldtians”) to collaborate with specialist colleagues in Germany
- more than **600 prestigious research fellowships** and 100 research awards annually
- flexible sponsorship options for different career stages
- individual and personal mentoring for those sponsored and their accompanying families
- “Once a Humboldtian, always a Humboldtian”:
Lifelong Alumni sponsorship options
- Currently 30,000 Humboldtians in 140 countries on all continents



Principles of the Foundation

- sole selection criterion: academic excellence
- no quotas for countries or disciplines
- sponsorship of people, not projects
- free choice of research topic and of academic host/collaborative partner in Germany at universities or non-university research institutions
- Our goal: Offer free space for free research





Equal opportunities for female academics

- equal opportunities is an important issue for the Foundation
- fellowship extension or interruption, allowances to support childcare
- targeted counselling and provision of information

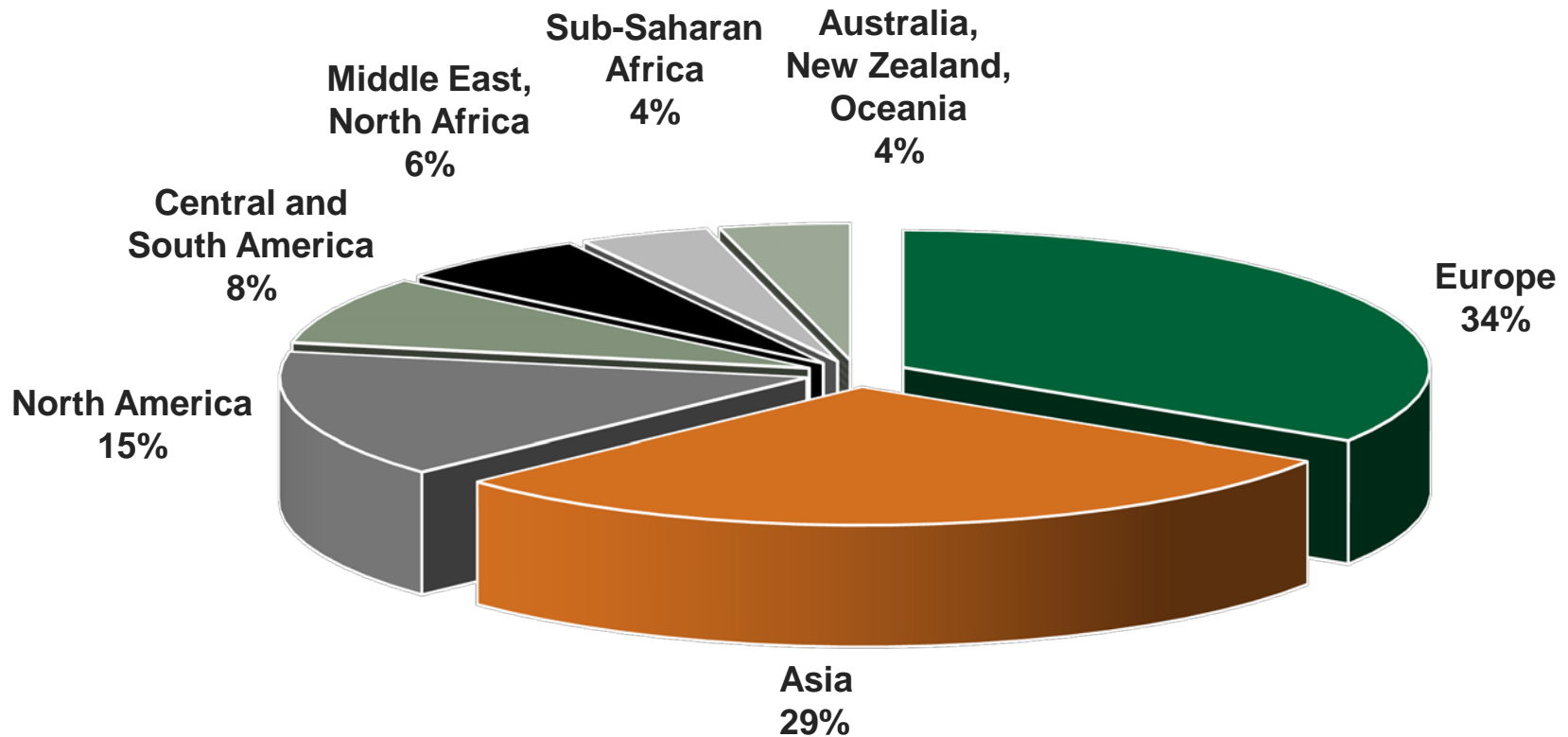




Origin of guest researchers

2015–2019:

3,117 research fellowships granted to academics from abroad

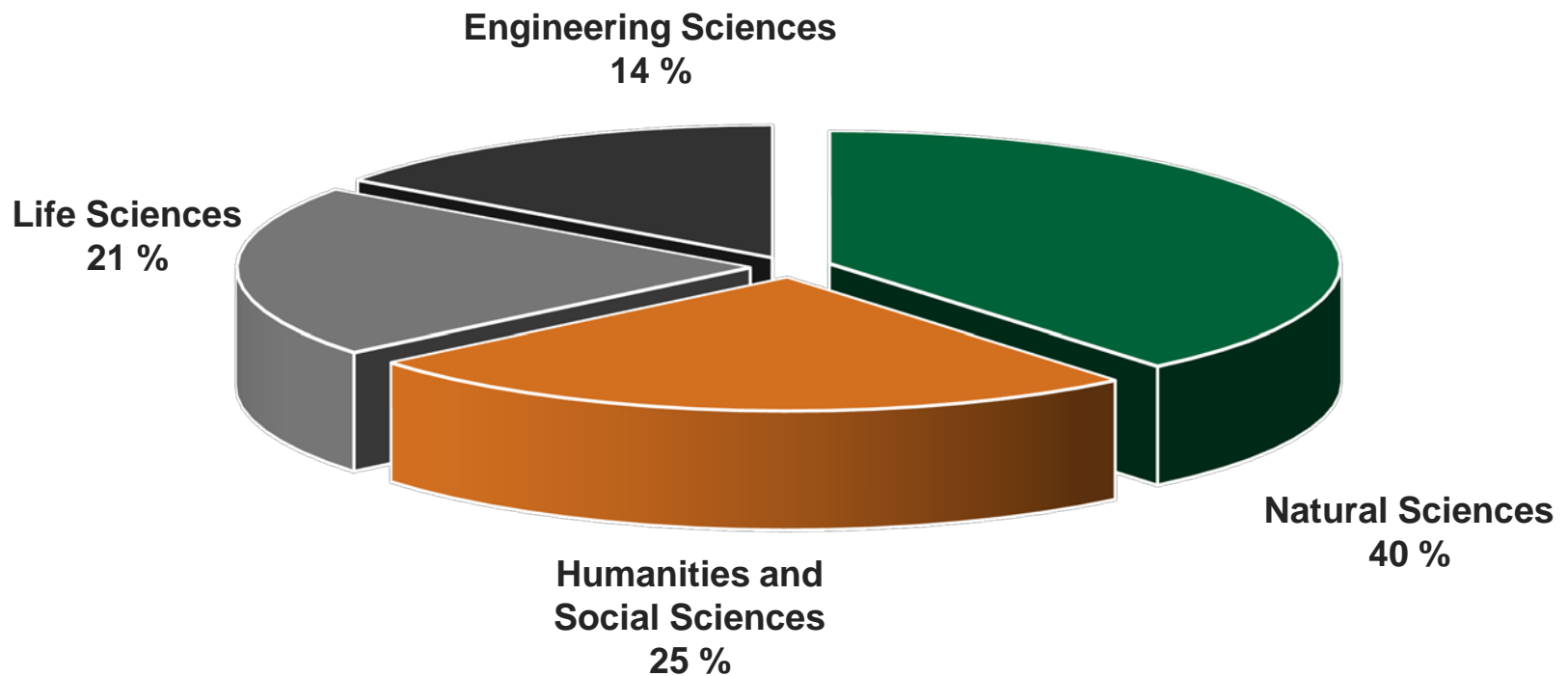




Disciplines of guest researchers

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Sponsorship Opportunities offered by the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation





Key sponsorship programmes at a glance

	Academics from abroad	Academics from Germany
Postdoctoral researchers (up to 4 years after completion of doctorate)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Humboldt Research Fellowship● Georg Forster Research Fellowship	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Feodor Lynen Research Fellowship
Experienced researchers (up to 12 years after completion of doctorate)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Humboldt Research Fellowship● Georg Forster Research Fellowship	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Feodor Lynen Research Fellowship
(up to 15 years after completion of doctorate)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Max Planck-Humboldt Research Award	
(up to 18 years after completion of doctorate)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Friedrich Wilhelm Bessel Research Award	
Internationally renowned academics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Humboldt Research Award● Georg Forster Research Award● Alexander von Humboldt Professorship● Alexander von Humboldt Professorship for Artificial Intelligence	

Research fellowships for research stays in Germany

For postdoctoral and experienced researchers

Humboldt Research Fellowship

- worldwide, all disciplines, no quotas

Georg Forster Research Fellowship

- researchers from emerging and developing countries (excl. China and India), all disciplines, no quotas
- research projects with relevance to development



Research fellowships for research stays in Germany

Humboldt Research Fellowship / Georg Forster Research Fellowship

	Postdoctoral researchers	Experienced researchers
Duration of sponsorship	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 6 to 24 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 6 to 18 months, may be divided up into 3 stays
Application period	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• applications at any time, doctorates completed less than 4 years ago	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• applications at any time, doctorates completed less than 12 years ago
Fellowship amount	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• €2,670 per month (plus additional benefits)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• €3,170 per month (plus additional benefits)



Application requirements

Postdoctoral researchers

- above average doctorate
- academic publications reviewed according to international standards

Experienced researchers

- independent academic activity, e.g. as an assistant professor
- comprehensive list of academic publications with own, clearly defined academic profile

- agreement by scientific host in Germany
- Expert reviews from the doctoral supervisor and one other academic
- independent research project
- knowledge of English and/or German



Application procedure

- applications at any time to the Foundation directly
- assessment by independent peer reviewers
- decision by independent interdisciplinary selection committees
- duration of procedure: approximately 4 to 7 months





Benefits provided

- fellowship
- travel lump sum
- language courses
- benefits for families
- allowance for research costs for the host institute
- intensive and individual mentoring in Germany and abroad by personal contacts at the Foundation
- study tour, network meeting, annual meeting
- return fellowships for specific regions
- alumni sponsorship

Alumni sponsorship and international networking

- more than 30,000 Humboldtians in over 140 countries:
“Once a Humboldtian – always a Humboldtian”
- alumni sponsorship and international networking through e.g.
 - further research stays in Germany
 - Research Group Linkage Programme
 - Humboldt Kollegs
 - Book donations
 - Equipment subsidies ...



Look for a host in Germany

through the Humboldt Foundation's Network Online

- Network Online can be used to locate Humboldtians' host institutes
- searches can be filtered by subject area, location or keyword

www.humboldt-foundation.de/web/netzwerk-recherche.html

on the EURAXESS Germany website

www.euraxess.de/germany/information-assistance/finding-academic-host

with the help of information portal GERiT – German Research Institutions from DFG, DAAD and HRK

- contains more than 25,000 institutes at German universities and non-university research institutions
- allows searches based on geographical, field-related and structural criteria

www.gerit.org/en/

asking colleagues who have contacts in Germany (possibly Humboldtians or DAAD Alumni)

International Climate Protection Fellowships

for prospective leaders from **transition and developing countries**, who

- are engaged in climate protection;
- are working in non-governmental organisations, public administrations, politics, academia or business;
- would like to conduct an independent research-based project agreed with a host in Germany



International Climate Protection Fellowships

Application requirements

- Bachelor's or equivalent academic degree
- clearly visible leadership potential
- extensive theme-related work experience or a successfully completed doctorate

Benefits provided

- 12-month fellowship in Germany, extension of up to 3 months possible
- introductory seminar, training courses, final meeting
- language course (optional), travel lump sum, family allowances

Deadline for applications: 1st March 2021



Getting into contact with Humboldtians

Ambassador Scientists and Alumni Associations



Tasks

- Organising information meetings at universities and research institutions in the respective countries
 - Informing about the programmes and the international network of the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation
 - Advising the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation and other German sponsorship organisations
 - Acting as contact partners for Humboldt alumni and Humboldt alumni associations
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- <http://www.humboldt-foundation.de/web/ambassador-scientists.html>

Humboldt Ambassador Scientists in Asia



China
India
Japan
Korea
Malaysia
Nepal
Pakistan
Taiwan
Uzbekistan
Vietnam

Humboldt Ambassador Scientists in Africa and Middle East



- Cameroon
- Egypt
- Ethiopia
- Israel
- Iran
- Jordan
- Kenya
- Morocco
- Nigeria
- South Africa

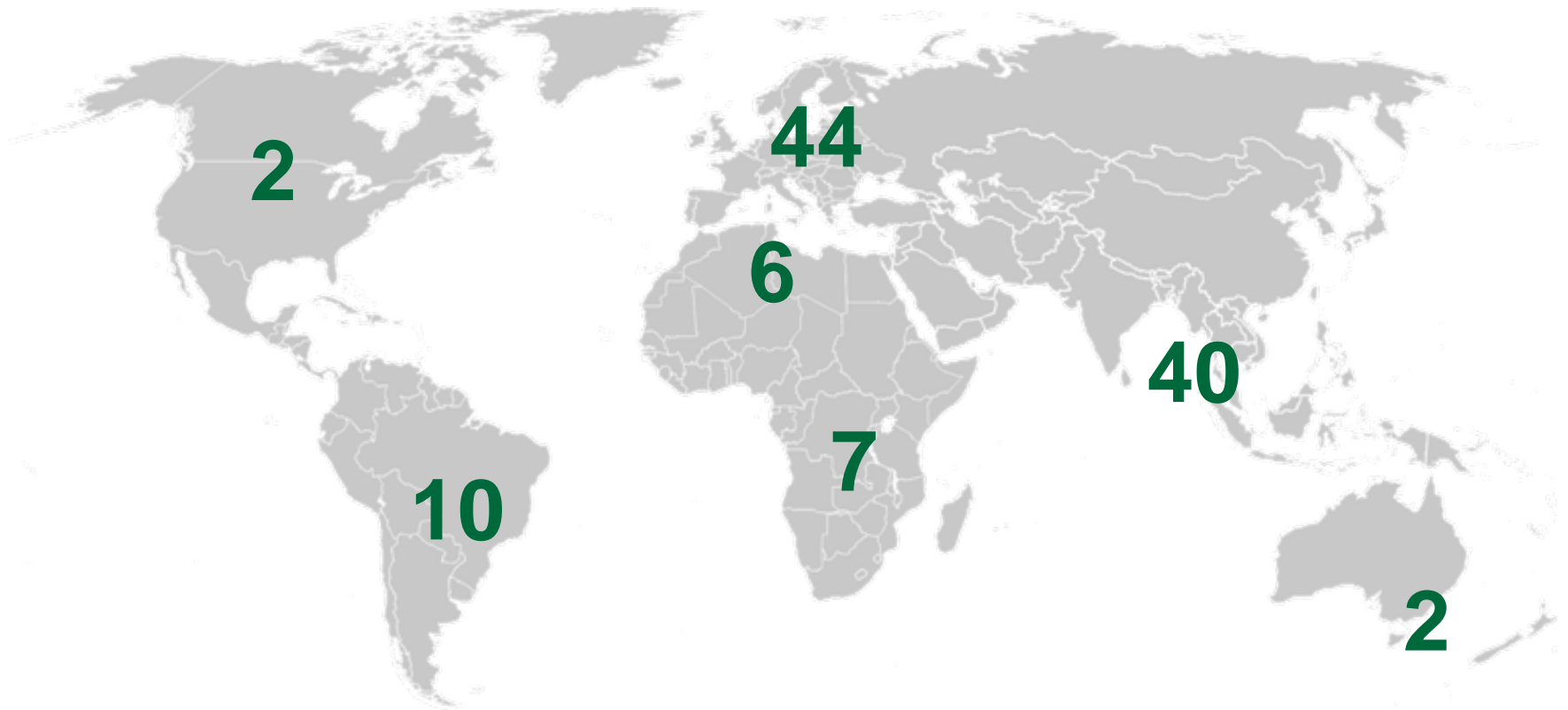
Humboldt Ambassador Scientists in Latin America



Brazil
Chile
Colombia
Mexico

Humboldt Alumni Associations worldwide

111 Humboldt Alumni Associations in 75 countries



Humboldt Alumni Associations abroad are promoting the regional and international academic and cultural exchange between Humboldt Alumni, other experienced researchers and junior researchers in the respective countries.



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