Application Information

Maria Reiche Programme to Support Academic Careers of Postdoctoral Early-Career Female Scientists

Funding is awarded either as a research grant or a contract with the aim to apply for a project on the path to an academic career (habilitation, head of a junior research group). The funding period is 18 months with the option to extend the grant period by another six months (maximum) if the evaluation is positive. If the project application is approved before this period ends, funding is terminated the day the project contract takes effect.

Depending on the type of application, funding is awarded to finance a full-time or half-time post (up to E 13 TV-L; in special circumstances up to E 14 TV-L), or alternatively to finance a scholarship. The scholarship total is in accordance with the current DFG funding guidelines. Postdoc fellows who receive funds from other institutions are not eligible for this funding.

If a half-time post is financed, the institutions/faculties, where the women researchers are working, can provide additional personnel funds.

Send your complete application documents not later than **31 August 2018** to:

TU Dresden
Stabsstelle Diversity Management
Beauftragte für Diversity Management
D-01062 Dresden

**Your application is expected to include the documents listed below:**

1. CV in tabular form and overview of your academic background
2. Outline (approximately 8-10 pages) of the intended project with:
   - detailed information on the current state of research,
   - representation of past work,
   - concrete goals and a detailed work programme during the funding period (incl. time schedule)
   - information on current institutional affiliation/job situation of the applicant
   - plans and institutional affiliation after the funding period has expired
3. Two expert opinions written by university lecturers/professors on the planned project and the qualification of the applicant
4. Copy of the PhD certificate and brief outline of the PhD thesis (1-2 pages)
5 complete list of publications
6 information about funding received in the past (scholarships, externally funded projects)
7 family situation (number of children, caring responsibilities)
8 information about the most recent pay group of the last employment relationship in accordance with the Collective Wage Agreement (TV-L: Collective Wage Agreement of the German Länder)
9 declaration of the responsible faculty of TU Dresden that they will support the applicant’s habilitation
10 declaration of a TU Dresden university lecturer to ensure that the prerequisites needed for completing the project are provided (required infrastructure / affiliation to the responsible institution/faculty)
11 declaration by immediate superior that the 50% position funded by the Maria Reiche Programme will be exclusively reserved for the applicant’s work on her habilitation (required only in case the applicant is employed by TU Dresden as a research fellow during the funding period).

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The selection panel reviews the applications received and makes decisions in a two-stage procedure. After the selection panel will have reviewed the application documents, shortlisted candidates will be invited by the selection panel for interview. The selection criteria for reviewing the applications and making decisions are based on:

1 the applicant’s qualification (achievement, publications, third-party funds, prizes)
2 the quality of the project and its feasibility during the funding period
3 the consideration of the candidate's life situation (family and/or health challenges)
4 the completeness of the application documents

Funding may begin in January 2019.
Funding will be available for 18 months for the time being; positive evaluation by the selection panel can result in a maximum extension of the funding period by 6 months (pursuant to § 6 of the Regulations). After 12 months of funding, the candidates who receive funding are obliged to write a short report containing information about work progress and the results they have achieved so far (submission of the grant proposal) and submit it to the Staff Unit Diversity Management. Subsequently, candidates shall give a personal presentation about work progress and the results they have achieved before the selection panel that will then decide on a possible renewal by a maximum of six months. After the funding period has ended, the candidates are obliged to submit a final report. Please submit this report to the Staff Unit Diversity Management within three months after the funding has ended.

**Further information**

- on the call for applications,
- the interim evaluation and
- the final report

is available at:

http://www.tu-dresden.de/maria-reiche-programm

The Regulations of the Maria Reiche Programme to support academic careers of postdoctoral early-career female scientists of TU Dresden (as amended on 03 June 2016) can be downloaded at:

http://www.verw.tu-dresden.de/AmtBek/PDF-Dateien/2016-07/sonstO03.06.2016.pdf