Leibniz ScienceCampus

Eastern Europe – Global Area (EEGA)

Call for Applications:
EEGA@enrichment: Short-term Stays for Guest Scholars in Leipzig, Halle and Jena

Deadline for submissions: 15 January 2018
Start of funding: ongoing, starting from 15 May 2018
Funding period: min. 4 days to max. 4 weeks

The Leibniz ScienceCampus EEGA:
The Leibniz ScienceCampus “Eastern Europe – Global Area” (EEGA) is committed to developing new research perspectives on Eastern Europe, engaging in knowledge exchange activities on the region with stakeholders, and promoting young researchers. It follows the idea that the multi-disciplinary and multi-faceted examination of processes of globalisation are a key for a better understanding of actual societal developments. The focus is on Eastern Europe’s diverse, tension-filled, and sometimes paradoxical globalisation projects “from within” and “from the outside”, and thus, on the self-positioning of Eastern European societies under the global condition.

The EEGA brings together interdisciplinary knowledge and expertise from researchers affiliated with both universities and research institutes in the Leipzig-Jena-Halle science region. Together with partners from the region, the EEGA explores the fields of migration and mobilities; business strategies and political economies; cultural and intellectual perspectives and identities; and political integration in a changing global arena. Overcoming prejudices and clichés, some of which are rooted in the era of the Cold War, and promoting an informed understanding of Eastern Europe in its diverse traditions and positions, developments and (internal) dynamics, are the primary mission.
Research Areas:

The EEGA focuses on five Research Areas:

- **Research Area 1: Mobilities and Migration Regimes in Eastern Europe**
  (Coordination: Judith Miggelbrink and Helena Flam)
- **Research Area 2: The Self-Positioning of Eastern Europe in a New World Order In-The-Making**
  (Coordination: Frank Hadler and Matthias Middell)
- **Research Area 3: Business Strategies and Frameworks of Political Economies**
  (Coordination: Sebastian Henn, Thomas Glauben and Thorsten Posselt)
- **Research Area 4: Cultural and Intellectual Perspectives and Identifications**
  (Coordination: Jürgen Heyde, Yvonne Kleinmann and Stefan Troebst)
- **Research Area 5: Eastern Europe in Times of Europeanisation**
  (Coordination: Gert Pickel and Holger Lengfeld)

Details:

The EEGA invites for applications for a short-term stay of visiting scholars at the member institutions of the ScienceCampus in Leipzig, Halle and Jena. We explicitly invite scholars at the PostDoc-level from the region to stay at the EEGA for a short-term fellowship, but also encourage applications from senior researchers from other countries who are active in the fields of Eastern European Studies, European Studies, Global and Area Studies, and the disciplines involved in the EEGA.

We welcome proposals for short stays for a) guest lectures or other teaching formats in the MA- and PhD-programmes affiliated with the EEGA, b) workshops and networking meetings with junior and senior scholars in the EEGA, and c) collaboration in joint publication projects.

Applications must be related to the research focus of one or more research areas of the EEGA. Preparatory contact with the respective research area coordinators is advised. As the EEGA is devoted to interdisciplinary approaches, applications which connect more than one member institution of the ScienceCampus are highly welcome.

The duration of the stay relates to the scope and type of activity envisaged. It may not exceed 4 weeks. The support of visits for the execution of individual research projects unrelated to EEGA activities is not foreseen. Start of funding is possible between 15 May and 15 July 2018.

Commitment:

EEGA disseminates collaborative research results into academia by open access publications and into the public by organising public events and employing social media. For this dissemination the EEGA closely cooperates with the e-journal “Connections” (http://www.connections.clio-online.net/) in mutually profiting collaboration. The ScienceCampus EEGA publishes about two to three “EEGA@connections” issues every year and has its own column “EEGA in dialogue” on the “Connections” website. Short-term Guest Researchers are asked to submit their project outlines and first findings for publication here. Single articles by EEGA Guest Researchers shall feature both the discussion of a current state of research as well as the depiction of the specific topic the researcher is
currently working on. Shorter scientific reports in the column “EEGA in dialogue” are supposed to give a brief overview of the state of research followed by insights into the research project of the author. The journal's editors in cooperation with the Steering Committee of the Leibniz ScienceCampus EEGA decide upon the acceptance of submissions for publication and organise the peer-review process.

Guest scholars are kindly invited to present their research focus/project at internal colloquia of the partner institution(s) or at EEGA main events. Residency in the Leipzig-Halle-Jena region during the stay at EEGA is binding.

**Support:**

The Leibniz ScienceCampus EEGA supports successful applicants substantially as well as financially in form of short-term fellowships. Rates are defined individually, related to origin and employment situation of the guest scholar, as well as duration and purpose of the stay in Leipzig, Halle or Jena. Fellowships are intended to cover the recipients’ costs of living in the Leipzig-Jena-Halle science region and may not be used to supplement grants from other funding organizations or income from employment.

**Applications must include:**

1. Motivation letter
2. CV (incl. current status of employment, research interests and fields of expertise)
3. Purpose / task schedule for period of funding with a convincing argument for the length of the period the applicant wishes to spend with the EEGA
4. Principal point of contact (researcher/institution) within the EEGA

Please submit your application as 1 PDF (max. 10 pages, 3 MB) to leibniz-eega@ifl-leipzig.de.