

Funding under the project „International Promovieren an der TU Chemnitz“

Chemnitz University of Technology (TU Chemnitz) aims to explicitly and sustainably support young academics and doctoral candidates. Within the internationalisation strategy, provisions are made to professionalise existing structures in this field and develop suitable support and funding measures for young academics. The project InProTUC is a major step towards this goal. The project is promoted by the German Academic Exchange Service and funded by the Federal Ministry for Education and Research.

OBJECTIVE

InProTUC supports doctoral candidates of TU Chemnitz as well as international doctoral candidates in completing research visits and attending international conferences by subsidising travel and subsistence costs according to the regulations of the German Academic Exchange Service.

Conference attendance is normally defined as the active participation in conferences, congresses, seminars, workshops or symposia by contributing to it e.g. with a lecture, a presentation or a poster. A close connection of content of the conference to the one of the doctoral thesis is required. Not eligible within this category are funded or partially funded sessions.

Insight visits at TU Chemnitz are eligible to international graduates who are interested in a doctoral study programme in Germany. During a one month visit, graduates get to know the German academic system and facilities in Chemnitz.

Research visits at TU Chemnitz are open to international doctoral candidates for a period up to three months. Furthermore, research visits of doctoral candidates of TU Chemnitz at universities and research facilities abroad are qualified for funding under InProTUC.

ELIGIBILITY PERIOD

Research visits and conferences that take place from 01.02.2019 until 15.05.2019 are eligible.

Research visits can be funded for the duration of up to three months. This applies likewise for incoming and outgoing doctoral candidates. Insight visits of international graduate can be funded for up to one month and conference attendance of doctoral candidates of TU Chemnitz abroad for up to five days.

TARGET GROUP AND APPLICANTS

Within the project, doctoral candidates of TU Chemnitz (outgoing) as well as international doctoral candidates (incoming) are eligible. Furthermore, international graduates interested in a doctoral study programme at TU Chemnitz (incoming) can receive funding under InProTUC. The supervisors at TU Chemnitz have to submit the applications for incoming graduates and doctoral candidates.



APPLICATION AND SELECTION PROCEDURE

There is a twofold selection procedure for funding under InProTUC:

In the first step, the received applications will be assessed based on formal criteria. In a second step, the Committee for Research and Promotion of Young Scientists will decide on the applications based on the following criteria:

- Funding of applicants from all eight faculties of TU Chemnitz
- Funding of male and female applicants
- Funding of outgoing and incoming doctoral candidates
- An added value of the stay for the doctoral thesis documented by the supervisor
- Relevance of the stay for the research outlined in the letter of motivation (esp. the reasons for choosing the particular country and institution)
- Quality of the project
- Applicants academic performance
- Applicants professional and extracurricular qualifications
- Applicants social commitment

The Committee for Research and Promotion of Young Scientists consists of the Vice-President for Research and Junior Researchers, lecturers of all eight faculties, academic staff, student representatives and others. A succession procedure and a further call for applications in the current year are possible.

Dates and Deadlines 2019

03.01.2019	Submission of the complete application documents – Term of exclusion
Until 31.01.2019	Information of the applicants
01.02.2019	Beginning of the funding period
22.05.2019	Submission of all the accounting documents – Term of exclusion

APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

- Properly completed application form
- Letter of motivation stating the reasons for application and the scientific relevance of the visit for the dissertation (max. 1 page)
- Curriculum vitae (max. 2 pages)
- Confirmation of enrolment (if enrolled as doctoral candidate at TU Chemnitz)
- Abstract of the dissertation (max. 2 pages)
- Letter of support of the supervisor at your home university confirming the supervision of the dissertation and stating the relevance of the stay for the dissertation

- For research visits:** Description of the activities planned during the research visit including a timetable (max. 1 page)
- For outgoing doctoral candidates:** Confirmation/ invitation of the hosting institution (e.g. confirmation of the submission of a paper, confirmation of registration, email-contact etc.)
- For incoming doctoral candidates:** Supervisor form filled in and signed by the supervisor of TU Chemnitz

Please send the complete application by email (as one pdf-file) **on or before January 3, 2019 (12 am)** to: antje.pfeifer@zfw.tu-chemnitz.de

INFORMATION REGARDING THE APPLICATION

- Only properly completed applications submitted by the appropriate deadline and accompanied by the requisite documents will be eligible for selection.
- The applicant has no legal claim for funding under InProTUC.
- No subsidies will be granted if the applicant receives or received funding for the same purpose and for the same time under another programme.
- Please notice that due to the high number of applicants we will not be able to inform you individually about the reasons for refusal.

ALLOWANCE AND EVALUATION

The approved allowance will be transferred after the visit and upon presentation of the attendance certificate of the hosting organisation and the evaluation report. The evaluation report (max. 2 pages) should describe objectives, process and results of the visit and assess those regarding the own dissertation.

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