

Third-party funding bonus for young researchers

The programme "Third-Party Funding Bonus for Young Researchers" is intended as an incentive for young researchers to apply for third-party funding. It is financed by the Strategic Research Fund (SRF) and applies to the non-medical faculties of HHU.

Funding and eligibility

For each successfully acquired third-party-funded project of at least 100,000 € (single project, not cumulative), young scientists from non-medical faculties of HHU will receive a bonus of 5,000 € as freely available budget. The definition of destatis for third-party funding applies. For the purpose of this programme, young scientists are defined as scientists who have obtained their PhD not more than 6 years ago and who have not yet held a W1 professorship with tenure, a W2 or W3 professorship. The period is extended by 2 years for every child in analogy to §2 section 1 WissZeitVG. The date of the doctoral certificate and the date of the approval notice/date of contract are decisive for the calculation of the period.

Application and documents to be submitted

The bonus must be applied for within one month of the establishment of the third-party account at HHU. The e-mail notification of the Department of External Funding and Project Coordination (D4.2) on the funding account number is decisive for this time.

The following procedure applies:

- The application is submitted informally by e-mail (reply email to the above-mentioned e-mail notification) to the respective officer in the Department of External Funding and Project Coordination (D4.2).
- The following documents must be attached:
 - A current curriculum vitae, stating, if applicable, the number of children.
 - A copy of the doctoral certificate.

If the above criteria are met, a budget of €5,000 is made available to the applicant on a separate account number.

Scope of application and duration of the programme

The programme will come into force on 12.03.2020. From this date, the bonus can be claimed for all third-party funding that meets the above criteria and where the approval decision/the contract is dated 12.03.2020 or later. The programme will initially run for two years and will then be evaluated.