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Ernst Mach Grant - worldwide

Country of origin:

All except Austria

Target country:

Austria

Area of study or research:

Natural Sciences

Technical Sciences

Human Medicine, Health Sciences

Agricultural Sciences

Social Sciences

Humanities

Arts

Detailed type of grant:

Semester and/or one-year grants, Research grants

Funding:

National

Target group:

Postgraduates

PhD students

PhD holders, post docs

Funding organisation:

Republic of Austria, Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Research (BMBWF);

Awarding organisation: OeAD-GmbH – Austria's Agency for Education and Internationalisation; Mobility Programmes and Cooperation

Duration:

1 to 9 months

Grant benefit paid:

Supplementary grant, own funds are required

1. Monthly grant rate: EUR 1,250.--

2. Assistance in arranging accommodation and health insurance

a. It is possible for OeAD scholarship holders to book accommodation (dormitory or apartment) with **Back to New search** housing. The monthly costs are:

- monthly rent: roughly EUR 300.-- to EUR 800.-- (depending on the amenities)
- monthly administrative fee: currently EUR 21.--

b. OeAD scholarship holders need to have health insurance that is accepted by the Austrian authorities for the duration of their stay in Austria. The OeAD can help with taking out such insurance. The monthly costs can vary, at the moment you should calculate EUR 55.-- to EUR 200.-- (depending on your age, scholarship category and state of health).

Scholarship holders have to pay the costs for accommodation and insurance themselves.

c. Applicants from non-EU/EEA countries who are planning a research stay of more than 6 months: If your monthly costs for accommodation in Austria exceed EUR 300.--, you may need to provide proof of additional funds to the Austrian residence authority when you apply for your residence permit. This figure may vary depending on your individual costs for health insurance and other liabilities.

3. Information for applicants who would like to apply for admission to studies in Austria: Grant holders do not have to pay tuition fees in Austria. Tuition fees may be waived upon request to the Rectorate of the public university or university college for teacher education for the semesters in which studies or research can be shown to have been completed elsewhere, i.e. as part of transnational EU, state or university mobility programmes. Any tuition fees at universities of applied sciences may be waived by the rectorate upon application. This does not apply to tuition fees at private universities and private colleges.

4. Scholarship holders with citizenship and travel from non-European developing countries will also receive a travel costs subsidy of max. EUR 1,000.-- upon submission of original travel invoices.

Closing date for applications:

01.02.2024

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Application form:

Required documents for the application:

The following documents have to be uploaded with the online application at **www.scholarships.at** :

- Two letters of recommendation by university lecturers (for these letters of recommendation no specific form is required; they must contain the letterhead, date and signature of the person recommending the applicant and the stamp of the university/department and must not be older than six months at the time of application.)
- Consent of a lecturer at the Austrian target university to supervise the applicant academically
- Scanned copy of your passport (page with the name and photo)

- Scanned copy of your university graduation certificate of your diploma, master, PhD or doctoral studies
 - only for PhD-students: confirmation, that proves your participation in a PhD-programme at your home university
 - only for postdoc-lecturers: confirmation that proves your employment at your home university
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Goals:

- To promote research cooperation
- To promote young academics in the early stages of their scientific career
- To establish an effective network of researchers with relations to Austria

Eligible for application are:

- a. Postgraduates pursuing a doctoral/PhD programme outside of Austria;
- b. Postgraduates and postdocs wishing to pursue research in Austria with a view to an academic career and who completed their studies (at a university outside of Austria) after 30 September 2022;
- c. Postdocs who are working as lecturers at a university outside of Austria.

Applicants must not have studied/pursued research/pursued academic work in Austria in the last six months before taking up the grant. Applicants who are already permanently residing in Austria or who have completed their academic education mainly in Austria are not eligible to apply.

Maximum age:

35 years (born on or after 01 October 1988)

Language skills:

Very good knowledge of English and/or German

FAQs[<https://oead.at/en/to-austria/grants-and-scholarships/ernst-mach-grant/faq-ernst-mach-grant-worldwide>]: Please check our list of frequently asked questions regarding the application process and eligibility for this grant.

The scholarship will only be granted for projects that can be completed within the scholarship period (max. 9 months).

General information:

- Applicants who seek admission to a university in Austria have to contact the institution of their choice directly.
- Short-term grants (1 to 3 months) have a priority in the period from January to June. In other cases, problems can arise as regards accommodation. When applying for a short-term grant, therefore, consideration should be given to applying primarily for the period of January to June.
- The selection process for all grants is competitive, i.e. there is no legal claim to a grant even if all application requirements are fulfilled. The number of grants that will be awarded during one call

depends on the quota and/or the available budget. Applicants may apply for several grants at the same time.

- Grant holders must be continuously present at their place of study in Austria to study or conduct their research project.
- Once an application has been rejected, it will not be considered any further within that call. However, it is possible to re-apply for this grant with a revised application in the future.

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- Applicants must comply with the admission regulations of the respective university.
- It is strongly recommended to start the admission procedure at universities of the arts at the same time as the application procedure!
- The application for a scholarship does not yet require admission to a University of the Arts.

Data protection:

Applicants agree that the personal data provided within their application will be processed diligently on the legal basis of the General Data Protection Regulation (EU)2016/679 and Austrian Data Protection regulations, in particular:

- §2g Research Organisation Act (Forschungsorganisationsgesetz - FOG), Federal Law Gazette No. 341/1981, and
- OeAD Act (OeAD-Gesetz), Federal Law Gazette I No. 99/2008, all in their current version,

for the purpose of handling their application and compiling statistics. The OeAD is responsible for processing the applicant's data. More information is available at <https://oead.at/en/privacy-policy/> .

Selection procedure:

Incomplete applications and applications not complying with the application criteria will not be accepted for the further selection process.

The selection follows a multistage process:

1. Examination of the formal requirements
 2. Examination of the application's general plausibility
 3. Assessment and evaluation of the application by experts
 4. Final decision by the BMBWF
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Further information:

The Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Research (BMBWF) and the OeAD do not guarantee that a stay at your destination or at the host institution, including the journey, will be possible, safe and harmless to health if a scholarship is granted. The scholarship holders have to decide themselves whether or not they want to embark on their studies or research stay. The BMBWF and the OeAD do not assume any liability – especially in case of trips to countries or regions for which travel warnings exist – for any complications or resulting additional costs or damages that may arise during your stay at or the journey to your destination or host institution. It is strongly recommended that you take out adequate health, accident and repatriation insurance that is valid at your destination. You, the scholarship holder, are responsible yourself for taking out insurance. The scholarship holder must observe the current conditions of the host institution regarding attendance/participation as well as the current entry conditions of the respective destination countries and the travel advice of the Austrian Federal Ministry for European and International Affairs (BMEIA).

Scholarship holders are not allowed to take up paid work in Austria while receiving an OeAD grant.

Reporting commitment:

Scholarship holders are obliged to submit a final report at the end of their scholarship stay.

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Grant contract/grant award:

Grant recipients will be issued a grant contract (Letter of Award and Letter of Acceptance). It defines the following: start and end date of the grant, grant amount, payment modalities, compulsory attendance at the guest institution, performance report and final report, data protection, repayment obligations and other conditions and requirements.

Details see: <https://oead.at/en/to-austria/scholars/before-arrival/scholarship-conditions>

Legal basis in Austria:

Federal Ministries Act 1986, Federal Law Gazette No. 164/2017.

Federal Finance Act (Bundesfinanzgesetz) as in force at the date the scholarship was awarded.

OeAD Act, Federal Law Gazette I No. 99/2008, in its current version.

Research Organisation Act (Forschungsorganisationsgesetz - FOG), Federal Law Gazette No. 341/1981, in its current version

Ordinance of the Federal Ministry of Finance on General Framework Agreements for the Granting of Federal Funds (Allgemeine Rahmenrichtlinie – ARR), Federal Law Gazette No. 208/2014, in its current version.

Special Guideline for the Granting of Federal Funds according to section § 5 ARR 2014, Federal Law Gazette No. 208/2014

<https://www.bmbwf.gv.at/Themen/HS-Uni/Studium/HSMob/SRL.html>

BMBWF Decree GZ 2023-0.441.888

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