



## Application Guidelines

### Senior and Junior Fellowships

#### ***Who may apply?***

Applicants for Junior Fellowships must have completed their PhD and may have up to six years of post-doctoral experience. Applicants for Senior Fellowships must have a minimum of six years of post-doctoral experience or a tenured professorship or an equivalent permanent position. The Centre offers its Fellowships to applicants in all disciplines that can be supported at the University of Bayreuth. Please note, however, that, as per regulations of the German Research Foundation, the Bayreuth Humboldt Centre cannot provide funding to enhance resources of the University's Cluster of Excellence "Africa Multiple". Thus, Principal Investigators from the Cluster of Excellence cannot act as host if the research focus of the application is on African Studies.

Applicants for Senior and Junior Fellowships must have lived outside Germany for a minimum of 12 months in total in the 18-month period prior to submission of the application. Researchers of German nationality are eligible to apply if their regular residency is abroad with the prospect of at least five years. Potential applicants who have completed their school education and one university degree or one university degree and their doctorate in Germany are subject to the regulations applying to German citizens. Researchers currently based at German research institutions are not eligible for this Fellowship programme.

In case of doubt about the eligibility of the applicant, submission of documentary evidence may be requested after the call deadline.

#### ***Are there specific research priorities?***

There are no research priorities. Researchers from all disciplines represented at the University of Bayreuth may apply, for exceptions please see above. Both disciplinary and interdisciplinary projects are possible.

#### ***Who may act as local host at the University of Bayreuth?***

Potential hosts for a Senior or Junior Fellowship are senior faculty members of the University of Bayreuth, i.e. Professors, Junior Professors, Habilitation candidates, and independent Junior Research Group Leaders.

Principal Investigators from the Cluster of Excellence "Africa Multiple" cannot act as host if the focus of the research collaboration is on African Studies.

#### ***How will the local host be involved?***

The local hosts act as primary research collaboration partners for the Senior and Junior Fellows. In this capacity, they also provide their Fellows with modern office space and an up-to-date infrastructure including access to library systems and laboratories. They recommend suitable terms and coordinate the decision with their department and Dean as well as with the

Bayreuth Humboldt Centre. In case the resources that are necessary to realize the research collaboration at the University of Bayreuth are not allocated with the host, a written consenting statement of the resource holder is required.

The local host at the University of Bayreuth receives a monthly subsidy of 500 € (humanities and social sciences), respectively 800 € (natural, life and engineering sciences) during the Fellow's stay at the University of Bayreuth.

### ***When is the application deadline?***

The deadline for the academic year 2020/21 is **October 4, 2020; 23:59 h CET**. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

### ***Whom may I contact for information when preparing my application?***

Candidates preparing an application for Fellowships may [contact the Office of the Bayreuth Humboldt Centre](#) for further inquiries. Before doing so, we kindly ask you to have a look at our [Frequently Asked Questions](#).

### ***How do I apply?***

Please submit your **complete application** via our [online form](#) by **October 4, 2020**.

In addition to the information requested in the online form, applicants need to submit the following documents:

1. **Exposé of the planned research project:** a statement of purpose jointly signed by applicant and host(s), describing how the Fellowship would contribute to the innovation of the scientific or technological environment at the University of Bayreuth, and the specific goals to be achieved. Also state the surplus benefit of the Fellowship in case a research collaboration already exists. The statement of purpose (max. 8 pages) should also include the following elements:
  - a. research aims,
  - b. work schedule,
  - c. an identification of possible additional (interdisciplinary) collaboration partners at the University of Bayreuth as well as a short explanation as to why this collaboration would be beneficial, and
  - d. a budget plan.
2. **CV** in tabular form (max. 3 pages)
3. **List of publications** of the applicant (covering last 10 years only, highlighting the 5 most relevant publications for the project; max. 2 pages)

In addition to the above, the local host(s) at the University of Bayreuth need to submit their **supporting letter** via [email](#) to the Office of the Bayreuth Humboldt Centre until the given deadline. In the supporting letter the host(s) state their involvement in the collaborative research project as well as the facilities provided by the hosting institute and expected assignment of host subsidy (max. 2 pages).

For the afore-mentioned attachments, please conform to the following formatting standards: *font* Arial, 11 pt; *line spacing* 1.5; *all margins* 2.5 cm. Page limits may not be exceeded. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered. The application should be submitted in English.

### ***How are the applications evaluated?***

The Bayreuth Humboldt Centre requests external expert reviews for each application. The reviewers will evaluate the applications according to the following criteria:

- Academic record and academic performance of the applicant to date,
- Future potential of the applicant,
- Quality of key publications specified in the application,
- Originality and innovation potential of the suggested research outline, and
- Feasibility of the research project in cooperation with the local host and interconnectivity with the University of Bayreuth beyond the local host.

A funding decision will be made by the Centre's [External Advisory Board](#) based on the applications and their reviews.

### ***When will a decision be made?***

An announcement of the decisions made on the applications is expected by March/April 2021.

### ***Timetable***

Call for applications	July 2020
Application deadline	October 4, 2020
Review procedure	October 2020 - March 2021
Awarding decision	March/April 2021
Notification of applicants	April 2021
Earliest starting date of Fellowship	May 1, 2021
Latest starting date of research stay	12 months after acceptance
Latest call for payment	gen. 24 months after acceptanc

**Items asked in the online form for your preparation:**

**Programme: Please select Junior / Senior Fellowship**

**General Information**

First name\*  
Middle name  
Family name\*  
Maiden name  
Title\*  
Date of birth\*  
Place of birth\*  
Country of birth\*  
Gender\*  
Nationality\*  
Country of permanent residence\*  
Stays in Germany within the last 18 months (incl. type of stay):\*

**Contact Information**

E-Mail\*  
Website  
Street\*  
Town\*  
State  
Postal code\*  
Country\*  
Telephone Number\*

**Research Profile**

Research Discipline (Major)\*  
Research Discipline(s) (Minor)\*  
Research Tags\*  
Date of completed PhD\*

**Current Professional Employment**

List your current professional employment including the names of the employer and the institutional address. Please briefly list your duties and responsibilities.  
Name of employer  
Current position  
Address  
Employed in this position since  
Duties and responsibilities (max. 700 characters)

**Most Relevant Former Professional Employments (if applicable)**

Max. 3 employers  
Time period  
Position  
Institution  
Duties and responsibilities (max. 700 characters)

**Additional Relevant Information**

**List of awards and accomplishments** (if applicable)  
Please list your most relevant awards and accomplishments (max. 5 awards)  
Year / Award

**List of relevant duties and responsibilities beyond your professional employment** (if applicable)  
Max. 5 entries  
Year / Responsibility

**Research Project**

**Working title** (max. 200 characters)\*

**Abstract** (max. 1000 characters)\*

**Main disciplinary fields of the research project**

You can add up to three further disciplines by pressing the plus button.\*

**Hosts**

**Main Host and Second Host** (if applicable)

Name\*

Current position at the University of Bayreuth\*

Institute\*

Faculty\*

Employed at UBT since\*

E-Mail\*

Website\*

**Projected time frame of your research stay at UBT**

Fixed (start and end date) / flexible (earliest start date and latest end date)

**Have you collaborated with one of your prospective hosts in the past?**

If so, how? (max. 500 characters)

**Proposition of Reviewers**

List the names and contact details of 4-6 academic referees.

Name\*

Academic Title\*

Institution\*

E-Mail\*

Website\*

Relation to Referee\*

**Additional Question**

How did you learn about this Call for Applications?

**Documents for Submission**

Outline of your research proposal\* **(Upload)**

Curriculum Vitae\* **(Upload)**

List of publications\* **(Upload)**

**Please note that to finalize your application, your main host needs to forward their signed supporting letter to the Office of the Bayreuth Humboldt Centre via email until October 4, 2020.**

**Declaration of Accuracy and Consent**

Ich versichere die Richtigkeit der oben gemachten Angaben. Änderungen und Zusätze werde ich dem Bayreuth Humboldt Centre umgehend bekanntgeben. Die Hinweise zum Antrag sowie die [Ausführungen zur Datenerfassung](#) habe ich zur Kenntnis genommen, insbesondere, dass die Verantwortung für die Vollständigkeit dieses Antrags bei mir liegt. Ich erkläre mich damit einverstanden, dass die Bewerbungsunterlagen beim Bayreuth Humboldt Centre verbleiben.

I certify that the information provided in this application is accurate to the best of my knowledge. Furthermore I agree to inform the Bayreuth Humboldt Centre immediately of any changes and amendments. I have taken note of the information provided in and regarding this application as well as the [notice about the storage of personal data](#). I accept responsibility for the completeness of my application. I agree that this application and accompanying documents shall remain with the Bayreuth Humboldt Centre

all fields with (\*) are required