



Call for Joint Project Groups between FRIAS and Nagoya IAR 2018-19

For the second time the Freiburg Institute for Advanced Studies (FRIAS) and the Institute for Advanced Research, Nagoya University (Nagoya IAR) welcome applications from excellent researchers from the University of Freiburg and Nagoya University for up to two joint project groups. The joint project groups are intended to support the collaboration between research groups from Freiburg and Nagoya around a topic of common interest. The program will support research stays at the Partner University, workshops and conferences and activities for junior researchers and advanced students. The support is worth 28.000 Euro + 4.000.000 YEN in total for 24 months per group.

The aim of this joint call is to strengthen the collaboration between researchers of the two universities and to support highly original joint research combining the strengths of the two universities.

The Institutes

The Freiburg Institute for Advanced Studies (FRIAS) is the international research college of the University of Freiburg. It strives to support high-level research from all disciplines and to strengthen the international visibility of the university. Additional information about the institute can be found at the website <u>www.frias.uni-freiburg.de</u>.

The Institute for Advanced Research, Nagoya University (Nagoya IAR) was established according to the Academic Charter of Nagoya University in 2002 to produce internationally recognized academic research of the highest calibre, and to contribute to society through the research achievements at the Institute. Additional information about the institute can be found at the website <u>www.iar.nagoya-u.ac.jp</u>.

Expectations

The joint project groups are expected to enter into deepened collaboration through research stays, joint conferences, virtual seminars and activities for younger researchers.

Applicants should outline, in which way their research project can contribute to the strategic alliance of the two universities, possibly also beyond the duration of the joint project. The proposed project should add to the international visibility of the two universities and will ideally help to develop and strengthen international networks. The groups have much freedom to decide on the best way to cooperate, but participating researchers are expected to spend a certain amount of time at the partner university during the project.

Eligibility and Application

Applicants

The call is directed at researchers of the two universities with substantial research experience. Group members from Freiburg and Nagoya need to hold a position at their respective university for the duration of the project.

The call is open for original research topics in all academic disciplines and domains. An application must comprise:

between 1 to 3 professors from Freiburg and Nagoya respectively

and can(!) include

up to 2 junior researchers from Freiburg and Nagoya respectively

as well as

up to 3 additional researchers from other research institutions world-wide.

One professor each from Freiburg and Nagoya shall be named as joint coordinators of the application.

The duration of proposed projects can be up to 24 months.

Application

Applicant groups are invited to submit the completed <u>application form</u>, a joint proposal of maximum 8 pages (max. 6 pages project proposal plus 2 pages references, line-spacing 1.5, font Arial 11 pt), full CVs (max. 2 pages) and publication lists (max. 2 pages) for each member of the applicant group in **one pdf file** to the contact persons below.

The proposals should be written in English and will be subjected to external international peer review. Naming of up to 5 potential referees is welcome. Final decisions will be made by a joint committee from both institutes, including senior researchers from Japan, Germany as well as from other countries.

Selection criteria

Selection criteria are the academic excellence of the applicants, the excellence (in terms of quality, topic, perspective and methodology), originality, significance and feasibility of the project and the contribution to the strategic alliance between the universities.

Budget

The budget will be need-based, taking into account the vastly differing requirements of different disciplines.

The budget can be used for:

- Travel and costs for research stays at the partner university
- Joint workshops and conferences

- Activities for junior researchers
- Costs for translation, publications, etc. pp. as deemed necessary by the group.

The final budget plan will be worked out jointly between the institutes and the successful applicant groups upon selection; an indication of cost categories and estimated costs per category is sufficient at the time of application. The projects will be jointly administrated by both institutes. Budgetary regulations of the institutes apply.

Calculation sheet for preliminary budget proposal

	Freiburg		Nagoya	
	Year 1 (2018)	Year 2 (2019)	Year 1 (2018)	Year 2 (2019)
Travel costs Freiburg – Nagoya				
Additional travel costs				
Conferences, workshops				
Dissemination activities				
Guest researchers				
Consumables				
Additional requests (please specify)				
Total (p. a.)				
Total	max. 28.000 Euro		max. 4.000.000 Yen	

Timeline

The deadline for applications is 31 March 2017.

Decisions about the project group will be announced by the end of July 2017 The joint FRIAS-Nagoya IAR project groups should start on 1 January 2018.

Contact

It is recommended, that researchers interested in this programme should please contact Nagoya IAR or FRIAS in advance to preparing an application.

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Information on current joint groups can be found at: <u>https://www.frias.uni-freiburg.de/de/foerderprogramme/joint-project-group-frias-nagoya-iar-2016-17</u>