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*In our monthly newsletter we inform you about ICES news, dates, events and about the latest calls for research funding which are particularly relevant for the field of European Studies. If you have any questions, suggestions or if you would like to announce events or recently published calls, please do not hesitate to contact us.*



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ICES News

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## DFG Funding for Leona Polyanskaya's work on the nexus between linguistic experiences, behavior and decision-making

Erste DFG-Heisenberg Förderung an der EUF zum Thema Sprache, Kognition und sozialer Toleranz

We are delighted to announce that Dr. Leona Polyanskaya has been awarded a DFG Heisenberg Funding (2025–2030) for her research on the impact of linguistic experience on metacognition, metalinguistic awareness, decision-making strategies and social tolerance. Based at ICES, Leona explores how linguistic experience shapes cognitive processing and influences social attitudes. She investigates the role of metacognition in mediating the link between language and behavior, examining how multilingualism affects metalinguistic awareness, decision-making, and tolerance towards linguistic diversity and works closely with Nils Langer (Institute for Frisian and Minority Research) and Mikhail Ordin (Universidade de Coimbra). Congratulations to Leona Polyanskaya on this significant achievement! Further information can be found [here](#).



## ICES Dates & Events

*ICES Termine & Veranstaltungen*

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## ICES Research Colloquium FrSe 2025 – Spring Semester’s new Program

ICES Research Colloquium – dieses Semester immer mittwochs, in Präsenz-only und etwas früher als gewohnt

The ICES Research Colloquium offers a platform for ICES members and colleagues to present their research and discuss it interdisciplinary. The sessions will be chaired by Prof. Monika Eigmüller and take place on selected **Wednesdays from 16:00 to 17:30** in RIGA 601.

Date	Presenter	Title
02.04	<b>Daniel Naurin</b> (University of Oslo, Professor of Political Science /Former Director at ARENA)	<i>"Identifying the precedential value of case law - a machir approach"</i>
09.04.	<b>Christiane Reinecke</b> (EUF, Professor of Modern European History)	<i>"Unmaking Migrants? The Production of the EU's Internc Borders in Historical-Postcolonial Perspective"</i>
14.05.	<b>Sébastien Tremblay</b> (EUF, Post-Doc in Modern European History) & <b>Luc Wodzicki</b> (FU Berlin, Post-Doc in Early Modern History)	<i>"Landscapes in/of Transition. Mobility and Transformati Landscape History"</i>
21.05.	<b>Karolina Barglowski</b> (Univ. of Luxembourg, Associate Professor of Sociology, Social Interventions, and Social Politics)	<i>"Bridges to Belonging: Exploring the role of 'migrant org social protection and inclusive policies"</i>

We look forward to your participation and engaging interdisciplinary discussions! Updates on the program can be found [here](#).

## ICES Research Atelier FrSe 2025

ICES Research Atelier im Frühjahrssemester jeden zweiten Donnerstag von 10 bis 11 Uhr

The Research Atelier safer space for work-in-progress. Early-stage research is more than welcome! This semester, Claudius Graebner-Radkowitz is back on board and will host the workshop together with Sébastien Tremblay. The Atelier this semester will take place in a biweekly format on Thursday between 10:00 and 11:00 a.m. in Riga 6. The first session will take place on March 20th with an introductory

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discussion hosted by Claudius and Sébastien and end June 19th. If you would like to present your research, please chose a date [here](#) or contact Claudius ([Claudius.graebner-radkowsch@uni-flensburg.de](mailto:Claudius.graebner-radkowsch@uni-flensburg.de)).

## Infoveranstaltung für promotionsinteressierte M.A. Studierende/ Termin: 26.03.2025, 18-19 Uhr (online)

### Info event for M.A. students interested in pursuing a PhD

Are you considering pursuing a PhD after your master's degree and would like to learn more about different pathways to a doctorate? ICES, ZeBUSS, CREST and the Research Department cordially invite all interested M.A. students to this online information event. We will provide an overview of the PhD opportunities at EUF and beyond, covering requirements, conditions, career prospects, and funding options. Additionally, current PhD candidates at EUF will share their experiences and be available for questions. The Central Student Advisory Service will also be present for further guidance. No registration is required.

## DFG Antragswerkstatt für Wissenschaftler\*innen in der Bildungs-, Europa- und Transformationsforschung

### ZeBUSS/ICES/CREST Project Grant Proposal Workshop/ First session: 04.04.2025, webex

The DFG Project Grant (Sachbeihilfe) is Germany's most popular topic-open funding format for basic research. Are you considering to submit a Sachbeihilfe proposal or are already working on it, then our DFG Antragswerkstatt in Spring Semester 2025 can support you along your way to submitting the proposal! This workshop, organized by the EUF's three core research centres ZeBUSS, ICES and CREST, is designed for post-doctoral researchers and professors, aiming to complete a DFG proposal over the course of the semester. Participants will meet every 3-4 weeks for 1.5 hours via Webex, forming interdisciplinary or subject-specific groups of 2-3 people. Each session will cover one or more chapters in the proposal template with a peer-to-peer discussion of the participants' proposal sections followed by a brief input from Simone Onur and Maria Schwab about the next chapter. Between sessions, participants will write the designated proposal section and share it a few days before the next meeting for peer review. Concrete dates and organizational details will be determined in the first session. If you are interested in joining the group, please contact Simone Onur ([simone.onur@uni-flensburg.de](mailto:simone.onur@uni-flensburg.de)), Maria Schwab ([maria.schwab@uni-flensburg.de](mailto:maria.schwab@uni-flensburg.de)) or Christoph Görlich ([Christoph.goerlich@uni-flensburg.de](mailto:Christoph.goerlich@uni-flensburg.de)). The first session will take place on Friday, the 11<sup>th</sup> of April, 10-11.30 am via Webex.

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## Runder Tisch Forschung / 07.04.2025, 14-16 Uhr (Riga & online)

### Research Roundtable to discuss support services for research projects

ICES cordially invites all researchers and third-party funded projects affiliated to ICES to a Research Roundtable. The goal of this event is to identify researchers' needs, discuss challenges in implementing research projects, and develop ideas to enhance research support at EUF. Ahead of the event, we will conduct a needs assessment and gather experiences from past research projects. An Evasys Link will be sent within the next weeks. The results will be presented during the research roundtable session and will serve as a basis for discussion. We look forward to your insights and contributions! Participation is possible both on-site in Riga 601 and online. Further details including a webex-link will follow.

## Informationsveranstaltung für Promovierende/ Termin: 09.04.2025, 12-13 Uhr (online)

### Information event for PhD researchers

ICES, ZeBUSS, CREST and the Research Department cordially invite all interested PhD students of the EUF and interested staff members to a general information event. It is intended to give an overview of the various offers for doctoral students at EUF and provide you the opportunity to further strengthen the promotion of young researchers at the EUF with your feedback, ideas, and suggestions. Registration for this event is not required.

## Info Event for Postdocs/ Termin: 07.05.2024, 12-13 Uhr (hybrid)

### Info Event about funding opportunities for Post-Docs

ICES, ZeBUSS, CREST and the Research Department cordially invite all Post-Docs at the EUF as well as other interested staff members to this information event. It is intended to provide an overview of funding and employment opportunities which contribute to the promotion of a career in academia. We will introduce funding opportunities for your own position within national or international research projects (e.g. DFG or Horizon Europe), fellowships such as DFG's or Thyssens's Post-Doc Stipend, as well funding for junior research group leaders such as DFG's Emmy Noether Program. You can find an overview of selected Post-Doc funding opportunities also on our [website](#). Besides funding opportunities we will briefly outline pathways to a permanent professorship/researcher career. At this event, we will inform you about these offers, provide you the opportunity to get in touch with other Post-Docs and contribute ideas to further strengthen the promotion of Post-Docs at the EUF with the support of the research centres. The presentation will be in English. The event will be held on campus in RIGA 514. It will also be possible to join online via WebEx. Registration for this event is not required

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## Events of the ICES associated EUF-Centres and other EUF centres

### Veranstaltungen der assoziierten Zentren und anderer kooperierender EUF Einrichtungen

#### Wasatia Graduate School

##### Summer Lecture Series

The spring semesters' Wasatia Lecture's theme is "Reconciliation Through the Lenses of Justice – Lessons from the Past." The following lectures are scheduled:

Date	Presenter & Title
19.03.2025	Alrun Tauché: "The Stasi Records Archive in Erfurt: Origins, Responsibilities, and Future Perspectives" (Bundesarchiv Stasiunterlagen, Erfurt)
07.05.2025	Prof. Dr. Motaz Qafiesheh: "Transitional Justice as an approach to the Middle east Comprehensive Peace" (Hebron University Palestine)
14.05.2025	Prof. Dr. Joerg Benedict: "Law, Morality and Regime Change – A German Perspective of Transitional Justice" (University of Rostock)
21.05.2025	Prof. Dr. Benjamin Gidron: "The Role of Civil Society in the Promotion of Peace (with an Emphasis on the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict)" (Ben Gurion University of the Negev\ Israel)
04.06.2025	Dr. Anell Stacy Daries: "Introducing the Centre for the study of the Afterlife of Violence and The Reparative Quest (AVReQ)" (Stellenbosch University\ South Africa)
11.06.2025	Dr. Sigal Horowitz: "Transitional Justice and International Criminal Law in the Israeli-Palestinian Context" (Clinical Legal Education Center of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem)
17.06.2025	Prof. Dr. Christo Thesnaar: "Religion matters: A relational ethical approach to assist faith communities in its commitment towards Social Justice" (Stellenbosch University\ South Africa)

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18.06.2025	Prof. Dr. Robert Vosloo: "Gestures of Grace: A South African Perspective on the Role of Symbolic Recognition in Seeking Reconciliation, Truth and Justice" (Stellenbosch University\ South Africa)
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We'll be very happy to see you! Please write to Zeina Barakat ([zaineh.barakat@uni-flensburg.de](mailto:zaineh.barakat@uni-flensburg.de)) if you have any questions. No advance registration necessary.

## Zentrum für kleine und regionale Sprachen (KURS): Programm für Frühjahr / Sommer 2025

### *Programm für Frühjahr/Sommer 2025*

Das Programm des Zentrums für kleine und regionale Sprachen (KURS) für das Frühjahrssemester 2025 steht - diesmal reicht es von der frühen Neuzeit bis in die Zukunft für friesisches Unterrichtsmaterial sowie von Südamerika über Köln bis in unsere Region. Wir freuen uns über Zuhörer\*innen an den folgenden **Mittwochen (immer OSL 044, 17 Uhr s.t.)**:

Date	Event
09.04.2025	Birgit Christensen (Kopenhagen) Niederdeutsche Schreibsprache in Nordschleswig in der frühen Neuzeit
07.05.2025	Geraldine Horan (London): „Ich sprech doch nur ming eijene Sproch“: metalinguistische Diskurse über Dialekt und Identität in Köln
21.05.2025	Jonathan Mastai Husum (Aarhus): "Portuñol at the South American Borders: Uses, Classifications and Attitudes"
11.06.2025	Lena Terhart (Nordfriisk Instituut) Auf großer Fahrt mit Nordfriisk Liirskap: Erreichtes, Arbeitsstand und Herausforderungen

## Campus Nord für Frankreich und Frankophonie (CaNoFF)

### *Veranstaltungen im Frühjahr 2025*

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Date	Time & Place	Event
23.04.2025	18:15-19:45 p.m.	Prof. Dr. Markus Messling (Literatur- und Kulturwissenschaft, Univ. des Saarlandes) und Prof. Dr. Christiane Solte-Gresser (Direktorin des Käte Hamburger Kolleg): Vorstellung des Käte Hamburger Kolleg CURE (Kulturelle Praktiken der Reparation, <a href="#">Link</a> ).
23.- 24.05.2025	14:00 p.m.-18:00 p.m. 09:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	2. Forschungskolloquium des CaNoFF für Promovierende und Post-Docs der norddeutschen Universitäten mit frankreich- und frankophoniebezogene Forschungsprojekte. Weitere Infos zur Möglichkeit der Einreichung von Beiträgen oder Anmeldung, gibt es <a href="#">hier</a> Infos.

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## Centre for Irish Studies

### Programm für Frühjahr/Sommer 2025

Mehr Infos zum Programm des Centre for Irish Studies finden Sie auf der [Homepage](#).

Date	Time & Place	Event
15.03.2025	18:30 p.m., Norderstr. 147	St. Patrick Beer Tasting event with Peter Marhöfer, Register <a href="#">here</a>

## Angebote des Graduiertenzentrums (GraZ)

### For PhD Researchers, Post-Docs and Juniorprofessors

Event	Date	Place	Time
<a href="#">Lesend Schreiben</a>	11.02.2025	RIG401	10:00 a.m. – 13:00 p.m.
<a href="#">Wissenschaftliches Schreiben und KI</a> (in Kooperation mit dem DokNet)	12.02.2025	RIG 401	9:00 a.m. – 13:00 p.m.
<a href="#">GraZ Gesprächsreihe: Promotion – komplex und differenziert</a>	11.03.2025	RIG401	14:00 p.m. - 16:00 p.m.
<a href="#">Knowledge and reference management with CITAVI for WINDOWS</a>	17.03.2025	RIG401	10:00 a.m. – 13:00 p.m.
<a href="#">Grundlagen der professionellen Datenvisualisierung (mit R)</a>	27.03.2025	online	9:00 a.m. – 16:00 p.m.
<a href="#">AI powered approaches to Academic Self-Editing and Translation</a>	16.04.2025	RIG401	10:00 a.m. – 14:00 p.m.
<a href="#">Die Promotion meistern: gut planen und umsetzen, erfolgreich abschließen</a>	22.05.2025 23.05.2025	RIG401	09:00 a.m. – 16:00 p.m. 09:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.
<a href="#">Disputationstraining</a>	07.07.2025 08.07.2025	online	09:00 a.m. – 14:00 p.m. 09:00 a.m. – 17:00 p.m.
<a href="#">Berufungstraining</a>	10.07.2025 11.07.2025	Riga 401	09:00 a.m. – 16:00 p.m. 09:00 a.m. – 16:00 p.m.

Further information can be found on the [GraZ website](#).



## Recently published calls

### *Aktuelle Ausschreibungen*

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International project funding /  
Internationale Projektförderung

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### DFG: International Cooperation – Standing Open Proposal Submission in Individual Grants Programme / No Deadline

*DFG-Förderung für transnationale Forschungsprojekte mit europäischen und internationalen Partnern*

The German Research Foundation (DFG) supports transnational research collaboration through agreements with multiple funding organizations in Europe and worldwide. In addition to fixed-deadline calls, some agreements allow for **Standing Open Procedures**, where proposals can be

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submitted at any time. **European** partners include Austria (FWF), Belgium (FWO, F.R.S.-FNRS), Czech Republic (GACR), Luxembourg (FNR), Poland (NCN), and Switzerland (SNSF), with a bilateral Lead Agency agreement in South Tyrol (Italy). **Worldwide**, the DFG cooperates with Brazil (FAPESP), Colombia (UNIANDES, UdeA), India (ICSSR), Turkey (TÜBITAK), and the USA (NSF in selected fields). Applications follow parallel submission procedures, with evaluations conducted independently by both funding agencies. Funding is granted only to proposals positively reviewed by both sides. Source: FIT Newsletter, 1.1.2025 [Further information](#).

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## National project funding / Nationale Projektförderung

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### VolkswagenStiftung: Transformational Knowledge – Democracies Under Change: Transdisciplinary Perspectives / Deadline: 10.09.2025

#### *Funding for research on the transformation of democracies*

The VolkswagenStiftung invites proposals for its funding initiative "Transformational Knowledge – Democracies Under Change: Transdisciplinary Perspectives," supporting interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary research on the dynamics and transformation of democracies. The program is aimed at applicants from the humanities, cultural studies and social sciences, as well as (civil) society actors who would like to work together in transdisciplinary teams. The program encourages projects that integrate theoretical and empirical approaches, bringing together multiple academic disciplines and perspectives from civil society to generate actionable knowledge. The initiative seeks to enhance understanding of democratic resilience, legitimacy, and participation in times of change. The application deadline is September 10, 2025. [Further information](#). Source: VolkswagenStiftung Newsletter, 13.02.2025

### VolkswagenStiftung: Open Up – New Research Spaces for the Humanities and Cultural Studies / Deadline: 03.04.2025

#### *Förderung für explorative Forschungsvorhaben*

The VolkswagenStiftung invites research teams in the humanities, cultural studies, and theoretical social sciences to apply for funding under the Open Up initiative. The program supports projects that explore new and original research spaces, encouraging multi-perspective approaches to complex and underexplored topics. Teams of two or three researchers (with the main applicant affiliated with a German university or research

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institution) can apply for up to €300,000 (two-person teams) or €400,000 (three-person teams) for a period of up to 1.5 years. The selection process includes an anonymized application procedure and Distributed Peer Review. Online Q&A sessions (no registration required) will be held on February 21 (German) and February 28 (English), 2025, from 10:00–11:30 AM CET. [Further information](#). Source: VolkswagenStiftung Newsletter, 23.01.2024

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## Fellowships and Scholarships / Stipendien und Lehrstuhlvertretung

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### **TWAS-DFG Cooperation Visits Programme for early career researchers from the MENA region or Sub-Sahara Africa** *DFG Förderlinien für Forschungsaufenthalte in Deutschland / Deadline: 19.05.2025*

The German Research Foundation (DFG), in collaboration with The World Academy of Sciences (TWAS), offers funding programs for three-month research and collaboration stays at German research institutions. One program line is open to early-career researchers from Egypt, Algeria, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Oman, Palestine (West Bank and Gaza Strip), Syria, Tunisia, and Yemen, while another program line is aimed at early-career researchers from Sub-Saharan Africa. Both programs support researchers from all disciplines who have been active in a scientific system in their home country for at least five years and have obtained their doctorate no earlier than 2020 (with possible extensions for researchers with children). The DFG provides a monthly stipend of €2,350 to cover living and visa expenses, up to €1,350 for travel costs, and up to €700 per month for project-related expenses. Applications must be submitted by the guest researchers to TWAS by May 19, 2025, and require an official invitation from the German host institution outlining the research topic and available infrastructure. The host institution is encouraged to assess the potential for long-term collaboration before extending an invitation. [Further information](#). Source: DFG-Information für die Wissenschaft Nr. 20 & Nr. 21, 28.02.2025

### **Volkswagen Stiftung: Change Fellowships/ Application Deadline: 02.04.2025** *Funding for transdisciplinary research with societal impact*

The Change Fellowships program by the Volkswagen Stiftung supports postdocs and junior professors from all disciplines who have completed their doctorate at least two years ago. The program enables researchers to conduct transdisciplinary research with a strong practical focus, addressing societal challenges and initiating transformation processes. Collaboration with non-academic partners (e.g., NGOs, associations,

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public authorities, small businesses) is mandatory. The funding amounts to €1.5–1.8 million for a duration of 4–5 years. [Further information](#). Source: FIT Newsletter, 29.01.2025

### **Hans Sauer Stiftung: Citizen Science for Action! / Deadline: 23.09.2025**

#### *Förderung für zivilgesellschaftliche Forschungsprojekte in sozial-ökologischen Konfliktfeldern*

The Hans Sauer Stiftung continues its 2025 funding program "Citizen Science for Action! Zivilgesellschaftliche Forschung in sozial-ökologischen Konfliktfeldern" to support projects initiated, conceptualized, and implemented by civil society actors. The initiative aims to amplify pressing societal concerns and encourage decision-makers to take action. Projects should formulate research questions based on societal needs and address them through participatory research processes. Up to five projects will receive funding of up to €20,000 each. Applications can be submitted continuously from February 1 until September 23, 2025. [Further information](#). Source: FIT Newsletter, 19.02.2025

### **Academy of Sciences in Hamburg: Postdoc Fellowships "Young Academy Fellows" / Deadline: 22.04.2025**

#### *Funding and academic support for Post-Docs*

The Academy of Sciences in Hamburg offers postdoctoral fellowships providing financial and academic support for at least three years. The program is open to postdocs from all disciplines and aims to foster independent research and integration into the Academy's network. [Further information](#). Source: Academy of Sciences in Hamburg, 29.01.2025

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## Research Prizes /

### Preise und Auszeichnungen

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### **Fast Forward Science 2025 / Deadline: 30.04.2025**

#### *Wettbewerb für Wissenschaftskommunikation in Social Media*

The Fast Forward Science competition annually honors the best video and audio contributions on scientific topics shared on social media. The contest is open to students, PhD candidates, and early-career postdocs who want to present their research to a broad audience. Eligible formats include YouTube videos, podcasts, Instagram stories, and similar content. The competition, with a total prize fund of €9,000, is a joint

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project by Wissenschaft im Dialog (WiD) and Stifterverband. Submissions can be made until April 30, 2025 via the official platform. [Further information](#). **Source:** FIT Newsletter, 05.02.2025

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## Other funding opportunities / Weitere Fördermöglichkeiten

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### **VolkswagenStiftung: Momentum – Funding for Recently Tenured Professors / Deadline: 05.06.2025**

#### *Förderung für neuberufene Professor:innen zur Weiterentwicklung ihres Forschungsprofils*

The VolkswagenStiftung supports recently tenured professors in expanding their research profile through the Momentum funding initiative. The program is open to professors at German universities who obtained their first tenured position within the last three to five years. The goal is to open up opportunities in this phase of their career to advance the content and strategic development of their professorship. [Further information](#). **Source:** VolkswagenStiftung Webseite und Newsletter, 13.02.2025

### **VolkswagenStiftung: Funding for Scoping Workshops in the Xplanatorium, Hannover/ Deadline: 01.04.2025**

#### *Funding for interdisciplinary workshops to develop new research fields*

The VolkswagenStiftung supports the development of emerging research fields through its Scoping Workshops funding initiative. The program funds workshops that bring together researchers from different disciplines to explore new and innovative research topics. The workshops should foster interdisciplinary collaboration and contribute to shaping future research agendas. Funding covers the organization and implementation of the event. The Workshops will take place at the conference center Xplanatorium Herrenhausen Palace, Hannover. [Further information](#). **Source:** VolkswagenStiftung Webseite und Newsletter, 13.02.2025

### **DFG: Trilateral Research Conferences "Villa Vigoni" 2026–2028 / Deadline: 13.04.2025**

#### *DFG-Förderung für trilaterale geistes- und sozialwissenschaftliche Forschungskonferenzen*

The German Research Foundation (DFG), Fondation Maison des Sciences de l'Homme (FMSH), and Villa Vigoni jointly support the "Trilateral Research Conferences" program to foster sustainable exchange and networking among humanities and social science researchers in Germany,

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France, and Italy. The initiative explicitly promotes the use of German, French, and Italian as academic languages. Applications from all disciplines within the humanities and social sciences are welcome and will be evaluated through a competitive peer-review process. The deadline for submitting proposals is April 13, 2025. [Further information](#). Source: DFG-aktuell Nr. 2 - Februar 2025

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## General information, events and research policy

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#### **DFG: Strategic Funding Initiative in Artificial Intelligence Continues /**

##### *Förderung für KI-Emmy Noether-Gruppen und Ideenwettbewerb*

The German Research Foundation (DFG) has decided to continue its strategic funding initiative in artificial intelligence (AI). In two additional calls, up to 15 Emmy Noether Research Groups focusing on AI methods will be funded, with the first funding decisions expected in 2026. The initiative aims to provide outstanding early-career researchers with optimal conditions to advance AI research and establish the next generation of leading AI scientists in Germany. Additionally, in the second half of 2025, the DFG will launch a competition for ideas to identify specific funding needs for AI research. Based on submitted proposals, expert discussions will explore potential adaptations to the DFG's funding portfolio. The next Emmy Noether call is expected in early 2025, requiring initial project outlines before selected applicants are invited to submit full proposals. [Further information](#). Source: DFG, 18.02.2025

#### **DFG: Cost-saving measures implemented such as temporary Suspension of New Priority Programme Calls**

##### *DFG ergreift Maßnahmen zur Ausgabenstabilisierung.*

In response to inflation and rising costs, the German Research Foundation (DFG) is implementing measures to stabilize expenditures and maintain funding opportunities. Due to increased personnel costs and higher prices for scientific equipment and materials, the call for new Priority Programmes (SPP) has been suspended for one year. The next submission deadline for new SPPs, originally set for October 15, 2025, has been canceled, meaning new SPPs will not receive funding in 2027. The next opportunity to submit proposals will be on October 15, 2026, for funding starting in 2028. Applications submitted in 2024 for funding in 2026 remain unaffected. Additional cost-saving measures have been introduced across other funding programs, including reductions in individual grant approval rates, budget cuts for Collaborative Research

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Centres, and temporary restrictions in Graduate Schools. The DFG aims to ensure long-term funding stability and fair competition across its grant programs. Source: DFG-Information für die Wissenschaft Nr. 12.

## European Commission Adopts 2025 Work Programme and Launches Consultation on the Next MFF /

### *EU-Kommission startet Konsultation zur zukünftigen Finanzplanung*

On February 12, the European Commission adopted its 2025 Work Programme, outlining key political and legislative initiatives for the coming year, including several relevant to research and innovation. Notable initiatives include the AI Continent Action Plan, the EU Start-up and Scale-up Strategy, and the Horizon Europe interim evaluation, with legislative revisions such as the REACH regulation update and the EU Space Act planned for later in the year. Additionally, in July 2025, the Commission will present its proposal for the next Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF), covering EU spending beyond 2028. As part of this process, the Commission has launched a public consultation open until May 7, 2025, including a thematic consultation on funding for European competitiveness. This consultation is of particular interest to the research and innovation sector, as it addresses potential reforms and integration of EU funding programs. [Further information](#). Source: KoWi Newsletter, 14.02.2025

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## ECPR and ECSR Events and Calls

### ECPR and ECSR Veranstaltungen und Calls

ICES is an ECPR (European Consortium for Political Research) and ECSR (European Consortium for Sociological Research) member institution, providing ICES members significantly reduced fees for ECSR and ECPR conferences and method schools as well as access to exclusive funding opportunities and working groups.

## European Consortium for Sociological Research Conference "Demography and Social Inequality"

### *Teilnahme an ECSR events with a discount on your course fee as ICES member*

The European Consortium for Sociological Research (ECSR) invites for its 2025 Conference, which will take place from September 3–5, 2025, in Cologne, Germany. This year's theme, "Demography and Social Inequality," will explore key issues in population dynamics and their impact on social stratification. [Further information](#). Source: ECSR Newsletter, 2025-01

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## ECSR, Collegio Carlo Alberto & NASP Joint Spring School 2025 / Deadline: 02.03.2025

### *Methodenschule zur "Integration Across Generations"*

The thirteenth edition of the ECSR-CA-NASP Spring School will take place from April 7–10, 2025, at Collegio Carlo Alberto in Turin, Italy. This year's topic, "Integration Across Generations: Exploring the Educational, Occupational, and Family Trajectories of Migrants," focuses on the integration of first- and second-generation migrants into host societies. The program provides high-quality training on migration research, promoted by the European Consortium for Sociological Research (ECSR), Collegio Carlo Alberto, and the Universities of Milan and Turin within the NASP network. Applications must be submitted by email to [mito.school@unimi.it](mailto:mito.school@unimi.it) by March 2, 2025. [Further information](#). Source: ECSR Newsletter, 2025-01

## ECPR: Funding for 2025 General Conference now open / Deadline: 17.03.25

### *Fördermöglichkeiten für die General Conference 2025*

Has your Paper or Panel for the General Conference been accepted? Funding is now open until Monday 17 March. [Further information](#). Source: ECPR News Bulletin, 21.02.24

## ECPR: Stein Rokkan Prize/ Deadline: 24.04.25

### *Political Theory Prize: Auszeichnung für vergleichende sozialwissenschaftliche Forschung*

€5,000 prize awarded for an original contribution in comparative social science research. Deadline: Thursday 24 April. [Further information](#). Source: ECPR News Bulletin, 21.02.24

## ECPR: Political Theory Prize / Deadline: 13.03.25

### *Political Theory Prize: Auszeichnung für „First-time author“ Werk in politischer Theorie*

The Political Theory Prize awards £450 to the best recent book by a first-time author in political theory. This prize honors innovative and impactful contributions from emerging scholars in the field. [Further information](#). Source: ECPR News Bulletin, 22.11.24

## ECPR Method courses

### *Registration possible for the following courses*

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Vorschau auf Frühjahrskurse, 24. – 28. März 2025, Online. (Anmeldung ab Oktober geöffnet):

- **Applied Regression Analysis: Estimation, Diagnostics, and Modelling**, geleitet von Alexandru Moise
- **Political Ethnography: Method, Sensibility, Writing**: geleitet von Kristin Anabel Eggeling
- **Process Tracing Methods**, geleitet von Wouter Wolfs,
- **Interviews as Method of Data Collection in Times of Polarisation**, geleitet von Annemarie Walter
- **Comparing Countries with Multivariate Statistical Techniques**, geleitet von Bruno Cautrès
- **Comparative Historical Analysis**, geleitet von Daniel Ritter
- **Mixed Methods Designs: Principles and Procedures**, geleitet von Bojana Lobe

Signature courses in May:

- **Doing Fieldwork in Challenging Environments**; 12 – 16 May, Online, taught by Vera Axyonova
- **Machine Learning Methods for Political Science**; 19 – 23 May, Online; taught by Thomas Robinson
- **NEW: Getting Started with Spatial Analysis using R**; 26 – 30 May, Online; Taught by Fernando De la Cuesta

[Weitere Informationen](#). Quelle: ECPR News Bulletin | Friday 22 November 2024.

## ECPR Gruppen und Netzwerke

### *Conferences of Standing Groups - Deadlines approaching*

**Inaugural Conference of the Standing Group of Extremism and Democracy**; 9 – 10 June, Queen Mary, University of London; Submit a Panel or Paper by 3 March

**Biennial Conference of the Standing Group on Regulatory Governance**; 11 – 13 June 2025, Hertie School, Berlin; Submit a Panel or Paper by 4 March

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