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9th Call for proposals: *Theodore von Kármán Fellowship* –
visiting scholars program for **outgoing** scientists

Deadline: November 3, 2022

To foster international exchange and interdisciplinary dialogue, the Exploratory Research Space (ERS) and the International Office offer grant to RWTH scientists who intend to do research abroad as a visiting scholar. The *Theodore von Kármán Fellowship* allows scientists to conduct a research project of their own choice in cooperation with a host institute. This call seeks proposals that contribute to advancing the internationalization and research strategy of the university.

General conditions

Funding is provided for research projects starting in January 2023. The minimum duration has to be at least one month. The host university should preferably be of strategic interest to RWTH Aachen University.

Funding

ERS funding may be used to cover travel expenses and accommodation costs.

The visiting scholar's research stay may start in January 2023 and must be completed and all expenses be paid by December 31, 2023.

The budget for the Kármán Fellowships is provided by the Excellence Strategy of the Federal Government and the Länder and makes allowances to the allocation model aiming for 30 % share of females. The total budget for all new Kármán Fellowships (incoming and outgoing) is at most 60.000 €.

Eligibility criteria

This call for proposals is directed at established researchers who should at least be in a postdoctoral position. The proposals require endorsement by the senior professor, head of department or chair of services, as appropriated.

- Applicants should speak English fluently (or the language spoken at the host university) and show intercultural competence.
- During his or her visit abroad the scientist is supposed to give at least one talk at the host university in which RWTH Aachen University is presented.

- The duration of the stay should be at least one month.
- Funding cannot be used for conferences.

The proposals (in pdf format) can be written in English or German and should contain:

1. Name of applicant and responsible RWTH professor and their respective institute and potential host institution
2. Endorsement by the senior professor (for PhDs)
3. A short letter outlining the project
4. A CV including the five most important publications
5. Research themes and activities planned for the stay abroad
6. A letter of support from the host institution
7. A budget plan

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Applications need to be submitted by November 3, 2022 through our online submission platform at <http://portal.ers.rwth-aachen.de>, call "Theodore von Kármán Fellowship - outgoings 2023". All applications will be assessed by the enlarged ERS steering committee.

With best regards,
ERS International Board

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