Dear Fellows and Friends of the Zukunftskolleg,

Today we have two special announcements:

First, we will soon be issuing calls for applications for 2-year and 5-year Fellowships! Currently, we are improving our online application platform. We will let you know as soon as the calls are open.

Second, we will be celebrating the Zukunftskolleg’s 10th anniversary on November 3, 2017. More Information to follow. Save the date!

With best wishes,

The Zukunftskolleg-Team

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We started off the New Year with a series of articles on our Zukunftskolleg alumni. Since January, we have been presenting a new story every two weeks. Take a moment and get inspired by these outstanding researchers!

The first stories feature Malte Drescher (Heisenberg Professor Spectroscopy of Complex Systems, University of Konstanz), Iris-Tatjana Kolassa (Professor of Clinical and Biological Psychology, Ulm University) and Philip Leifeld (Senior Lecturer in Research Methods and Director of Postgraduate Research Training, University of Glasgow).

More information on the project and all the stories can be found [here](#).

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### Decisions on Past Calls

In the last Newsletter, we announced the calls for applications for several funding instruments. The Executive Committee decided as follows with regard to the distribution of fundings.

**Mentorship Programme**

- Geoffrey Aubry (Dept. of Physics), *Mentor*: Prof. Philippe Roux, Institut des Sciences de la Terre, Grenoble (France)
- Stefan Fischer (Dept. of Philosophy), *Mentor*: Prof. James Lenman, University of Sheffield (UK)
- Gisela Hilary Kopp (Dept. of Biology), *Mentor*: Hélène Morlon, Centre national de la recherche scientifique, Paris (France)
- Marco Paoli (Dept. of Biology), *Mentor*: Prof. Hiroshi Nichino, RIES Hokkaido University, Sapporo (Japan)
- Morgane Nouvian (Dept. of Biology), *Mentor*: Prof. Alison Mercer, University of Otago (New Zealand)
- Ioanna Salvarina (Dept. of Biology), Mentor: Ass. Prof. Leonard Sandin, Swedish University of Agricultural Studies, Uppsala (Sweden)

**Independent Research Grant**

- Georgiana Caltais (Dept. of Computer and Information Science)
- Doris Forster (Dept. of Law)
- Maria Hidvégi (Dept. of History)
- Vlad Hosu (Dept. of Computer and Information Science)
- Andreas Kautt (Dept. of Biology)
- Hanhe Lin (Dept. of Computer and Information Science)
Interdisciplinary Collaborative Projects Programme

- Maike Bieleke (Dept. of Psychology) & Wanja Wolff (Dept. of Psychology)
  
  Project: Psychological determinants of endurance performance

- Approval conditional on evaluation through the ethics committee: Roos van der Haer (Dept. of Politics and Public Administration) & Tobias Hecker (Dept. of Psychology, University of Zurich)
  
  Project: The mediating effect of mental health on the relationship between war exposure and social capital

- Verena Krebs (Dept. of History and Sociology, Art History) & Christoph Rolker & Felix Girke (both Dept. of History and Sociology, Social and Cultural Anthropology)
  
  Project: Embracing "Otherness": Medieval Africa - An Interdisciplinary Collaborative Project

- Oleksandra Kukharenko (Dept. of Chemistry) & Lyudmila Grigoryeva (Dept. of Mathematics and Statistics)
  
  Project: Statistical and machine learning in the problems of computational chemistry

Transdepartmental Collaborative Teaching Programme

- Michael Kovermann (Dept. of Chemistry)
  
  Project: Acquiring and Handling Scientific Data for Reproducible Research

Investment Programme for Research

- Bernard Lepetit (Dept. of Biology)
  
  Horiba Fluoromax-4 fluorescence spectrometer; Approval conditional on evaluation through the AFF

The decision on the Bridge Fellowships will be announced in the next Newsletter.

Events

Call for Applications 2017 - Department information event

We currently are preparing a new call for applications. We want to involve the departments even more than in previous selection rounds in the multi-stage selection process of the candidates. Candidates might contact professors and ask them to be their local hosts. Local hosts evaluate the candidates in a first step, thus providing a basis for the selection committee.

We would like to inform all professors and other potential local hosts about the selection procedure and the requirements and responsibilities of a local host. The event is also an opportunity for you to ask questions of any kind concerning the call and the selection process.

Monday, February 20,
12:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
A 701

For more information see also our website.
Workshop: Activism, Anthropologically Speaking

The “Activism, Anthropologically Speaking” workshop will take place this Friday, February 17, in K7 from 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Prof. Dr. Thomas Kirsch (Konstanz), Prof. Dr. Rijk van Dijk (Leiden/Amsterdam) and Dr. Raúl Acosta-Garcia (Konstanz) organized the workshop. Raúl Acosta-Garcia is Associated Fellow of the Zukunftskolleg and affiliated with the Department of History and Sociology.

The programme and other useful information can be found here.

The workshop is open to all. Spaces are limited. Please register with raul.acosta@uni-konstanz.de

The keynote lecture for the Workshop is today, February 16, 5:30 – 7:00 p.m., Bischofsvilla, Konstanz!

Prof. David Gellner of Oxford will talk about “Visions of modernity: How activists restructured Nepali society”. The lecture is open to all.

Cooperations

Collegium Helveticum

The Collegium Helveticum and the Zukunftskolleg are intensifying their institutional collaboration. The Collegium Helveticum is an Institute for Advanced Study connected with the University of Zurich, ETH Zurich, and Zurich University of the Arts. It fosters multidisciplinary research across the social, natural and medical sciences, the humanities, engineering and art.

Thomas Hengartner, director of the Collegium Helveticum, visited the Zukunftskolleg on February 15. He presented the concept of the Collegium Helveticum and its current research focus in the Jour Fixe. Future possibilities on joint workshops, research stays for Fellows and other projects and events were discussed.

The next joint project will be a workshop in June conducted by Attila Tanyi, Associated Fellow of the Zukunftskolleg. The workshop will take place both at the Collegium Helveticum in Zurich and at the Zukunftskolleg in Konstanz.
Martin Buber Society

The joint symposia in Singen, Germany (Mobility – A Concept and A Way of Life) and Jerusalem, Israel (Mobility 2.0 – Aspirations, Challenges, Obstacles) have yielded fruitful insights for all participants.

The Martin Buber Society and the Zukunftskolleg are now issuing a call for papers for a joint publication on the subject.

MBS Fellow Philipp Reick is editing the volume.

Abstracts (400 words) will be accepted until February 22.

Fellowships

Doctoral Fellowships

Doctoral Fellowships support students in the final phase of their studies. The aim is to strengthen the academic ties of these aspiring researchers. Doctoral Fellows are Associated Fellows of the Zukunftskolleg.

The Graduate School of Decision Sciences awarded a Doctoral Fellowship to

- Konstantin Käppner (Department of Politics and Public Administration)
- Fabian Dvorak (Department of Economics)

The Doctoral Fellowships started on February 1, 2017.