

Alexander Herzen Junior Visiting Fellowships

2016 / 2017 — Call for Application

Objective

The Alexander Herzen Junior Visiting Fellowships, are jointly awarded by the Mikhail Prokhorov Foundation and the IWM to excellent young researchers in the humanities and social sciences from the Siberian, Ural and Far-Eastern federal districts, and the Voronezh, Lipetsk, Belgorod, Ryazan and Kaluga regions. The aim of the program is to:

- support highly qualified and promising academics, giving them access to an international and multi-disciplinary research community as well as an excellent research infrastructure
- provide a fertile environment for their individual development and professional advancement
- strengthen academic mobility and the integration of junior researchers into the international research community, enabling them to broaden their professional network.

Conditions

Three Junior Fellows are invited to spend six months between July 2016 to June 2017 at the IWM in Vienna. They will receive a stipend of EUR 12,700 to cover accommodation, living expenses, travel, health insurance and incidentals during their stay at the Institute. In addition, the IWM provides fellows with an office, including access to internet, in-house research and administrative facilities as well as other services free of charge.

Eligibility

Candidates for the fellowship:

- must have completed a degree equivalent to a Master of Arts (M.A.) and currently pursue a post-graduate degree (both in the humanities or social sciences)
- or must have recently obtained a PhD in the humanities or social sciences and work as post-doctoral researchers
- must not be older than 35 years
- must have experience in working on research projects independently
- must have advanced English language proficiency, allowing them to present and discuss their research in English
- must live, study and work in the Siberian, Ural or Far-Eastern federal districts, or the Voronezh, Lipetsk, Belgorod, Ryazan or Kaluga regions

Proposals related to one of the Institute's main research fields are strongly encouraged (for details please see www.iwm.at/research)

Selection

A jury of experts will evaluate the applications and select the finalists. Applicants will be notified of the jury's decision in June 2016. The jury is not required to publicly justify its decisions.

Application

Applications have to include:

- the application form (Russian and English versions)
- motivation letter summarizing the applicant's qualification and experiences as well as the professional/academic advancement expected from the fellowship
- a concise research proposal in Russian and English (max. 4 pages each)
- a curriculum vitae in Russian and English
- a sample of an academic publication written by the applicant
- three letters of recommendation by scholars familiar with the applicant's academic work

Please submit your application (one printed copy and a complete electronic version on any data medium) to:

Mikhail Prokhorov Foundation
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Tverskoy Bulvar 13, bldg 1
transcript@prokhorovfund.ru

Application accepted:
February 28 – April 28, 2016

For additional information see:
www.iwm.at/fellowships/herzen

Or please contact:
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Mikhail Prokhorov Foundation

The Mikhail Prokhorov Foundation is a Russian private charity established in 2004. It carries out nationwide and international activities, as well as local projects in the Krasnoyarsk region, the Urals, Siberia, the Russian Far East, and in the industrial area of Norilsk. The Foundation's long-term goal is to promote Russian culture and further its integration into the global context. Key activities include initiatives in arts, science and education, development of mass media, urban environment, sports and public health.

About the IWM

The Institute for Human Sciences (IWM) in Vienna is an intellectually and politically independent institute for advanced study in the humanities and social sciences. Since its foundation in 1982, the Institute has promoted intellectual exchange between East and West, academia and society, and a variety of disciplines and schools of thought. The IWM is sustained by a community of scholars consisting of Permanent Fellows, Visiting Fellows and Guests. During each year, the IWM hosts about sixty researchers, journalists and translators.



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Deadline for application: April 28, 2016