



Leibniz ScienceCampus Regensburg

EUROPE AND AMERICA IN THE MODERN WORLD

Transformations and Frictions
of Globality in Past and Present

Call for Applications

Leibniz-ScienceCampus Europe and America in the Modern World (LSC)
of the University of Regensburg (UR) and the Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies (IOS)

International Research Network

3 July 2024 | Funding: 24 months with up to €22,500

The [Leibniz-ScienceCampus](#) Europe and America in the Modern World is a joint research project of the Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies and the University of Regensburg. It has been funded by the Leibniz Association since 2019. The project aims to develop a better understanding of transatlantic entanglements and interconnections in the global context both in past and present. Following the interdisciplinary approach of contemporary area studies, the ScienceCampus brings together researchers from various disciplines including history, cultural and literary studies, law, economics, political science and the social sciences. A notable aspect of the project is its broad network of [partner institutions](#) in North and South America and in East, Southeast and Western Europe.

Through its new Research Network Programme, the ScienceCampus seeks to support the development of collaborative and interdisciplinary area studies research by early career researchers as part of international and national cooperations.

Funding of up to €22,500 is available to support one research network led by Regensburg-based (UR or IOS) Early Career Researchers. The funding can be used for organizing meetings, workshops and a concluding event; for publishing research findings; and for support by student assistants. Another desirable outcome would be the development of a further project idea, potentially leading to a external funding application. The funding for the Network will be awarded on a competitive basis by the Board of the Leibniz ScienceCampus Europe and America.

- 1. Applicants (m/f/d):** two Post-Docs/ Researchers in the habilitation phase at UR or IOS, from two different disciplines and/or regional specialisms. The applicants will serve as the Network leads.
- 2. Network participants**
 - Between a minimum of eight and maximum of twelve confirmed researcher participants (including the applicants) with expertise in area studies or in the thematic focus of the network
 - international and Germany-based members – ideally including participants from the LSC [Partners](#)
 - up to half of the members can be based at UR or IOS
 - members can be in any career phase, but with emphasis on Early Career Researchers (Doctoral and Postdoctoral Researchers). Practitioners and other experts can also be considered for membership.
- 3. Thematic focus of the network**
 - Themes relevant to area studies and the [LSC Research Modules and Trajectories](#)
 - interdisciplinarity
 - transnational/ transcultural / transregional and/or comparative or transcomparative approaches
 - thematic and methodological innovation and originality.

4. Funding

- max. € 22.500.
- Funding is available for travel costs, accommodation and other relevant costs, in accordance with the applicable regulations, incurred by Network members and its guests as part of workshops, conferences or other activities;
- Printing costs for programmes, flyers and posters, and other PR costs;
- Publication costs (up to € 7.500 € of the available € 22,500);
- Student assistant (SHK) hours to support the activities of the Network.
- Funding period: up to 24 months, starting on 1 January 2025 at the earliest and 31 May 2025 at the latest.

5. Expected Outputs

- Research publications (in Open Access);
- alternative output and documentation of activities such as, for example, exhibitions, a website, blog posts (including with the ScienceCampus' [Frictions](#) blog-journal), datasets or podcasts;
- cooperation with other events and activities of the ScienceCampus, such as the lecture series (Ringvorlesung), online forum with partner institutions, or public roundtable events;
- concluding event.

6. Application procedure

- The application procedure involves a two-stage process.
- 1) Expressions of interest can be submitted by 15 September 2024. They should contain a one-page (ca. 400 words) project outline and a list of planned participants. The ScienceCampus Office Team can assist applicants with finding further participants at the ScienceCampus' **partner institutions in Regensburg, Germany and abroad.**
- 2) Full applications must be submitted by 30 November 2024. They must contain the following:
 - Research Proposal including a research question, research objective and prospective contributions to knowledge; critical literature review; outline of approaches, theories and methods; indication of the expected contribution to the ScienceCampus' **research agenda** (max. 5 pages + a bibliography with references);
 - Overview of activities and working practices in the Network together with an outline of the expected outputs (max. 2 pages);
 - Budget (max. 1 page);
 - Full CV and publication list of the applicants;
 - Short of the other Network members (each around 150 words, indicating the institutional affiliation of the person).
- It is possible to submit a full application for the Network funding without an initial expression of interest.
- Applications can be written in English or German.
- The German version of this call is binding. The English translation is for information purposes.
- In each case, applications are to be submitted as a single PDF document to:
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7. Contact

Further information about the ScienceCampus is available at www.europeamerica.de. Any questions relating to the ScienceCampus can be submitted to Dr Paul Vickers: paul.vickers@ur.de or by telephone: +49 941 943 5964.