

## ***PhD Conferences: Call for Proposals in 2017***

For many years, the Boehringer Ingelheim Foundation has been supporting scientific meetings worldwide that emphasise the exchange of ideas and unpublished research findings and encourage a dialogue between junior and senior scientists.

To mark its 40th year in operation, the Foundation will be funding top-quality PhD Conferences on topics within basic research in the biological, chemical, medical and pharmaceutical fields in 2017/2018, with up to 8,000 € per conference.

With these special grants, the Boehringer Ingelheim Foundation wishes to support driven junior scientists in organising internationally oriented, high-quality scientific conferences, both created by and aimed at PhD students.

### ***What will we fund?***

The Foundation will support participation (travel, accommodation, attendance fee) for selected outstanding junior scientists, as well as travel and accommodation costs for top speakers, who were, for instance, invited as a keynote speakers. The Foundation may also contribute to further costs (renting of rooms, etc.).

PhD program retreats or local scientific events, as well as conferences which lack any relation or relevance to Europe (in terms of place, speaker or participants) will not be supported.

### ***Who can apply?***

PhD students who are organising a PhD Conference for 2017/2018 may submit a grant application. The grant recipient **must** be an academic institution and/or a non-profit, charitable organisation.

### ***What information must be included in a grant application?***

If you would like to submit a grant application for your PhD Conference, we will need the following information:

1. An official statement of intent, including letterhead, signature, and the following information:
  - Title of the conference and a short overview of its content, focus, its scientific importance, its format, and where it will be held
  - The set-up of the organisation committee
  - Expected number of participants and relevant information (PhD students, Postdocs, Principal Investigators, internationality)
  - How the conference will be advertised and how the participating junior scientists (PhD students and Postdocs) will be selected
  - How the junior scientists whose participation will be supported by the Foundation will be selected
  - Requested amount
  - Detailed explanation of how the grant will be spent (travel, accommodation, etc.)
2. Preliminary programme of the conference
3. List of speakers, including affiliation, location, country

***When can you apply?***

You can submit your application by post or via e-mail by **30 June 2017**. Please send your application to:

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              55116 Mainz

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***Any questions?***

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to call us (+49 (0) 6131/27 508-12) or send an e-mail.