International Scholarship Programme on the history of the 20th Century

A programme for museums, memorial sites, archives and research institutions of the "Remembrance and Future" Fund in cooperation with the German Museums Association and the German National Committee of the International Council of Museums (ICOM-Germany)

The "Remembrance and Future" Fund, in cooperation with the German Museums Association and ICOM-Germany, would like to contribute to the representation of 20th-century European history in museums, memorial sites, archives and research institutions through an international grant programme. The aim of the programme is to promote an exchange of experiences surrounding the history of democratic and anti-democratic movements, dictatorships and military occupations, and to present the history of the Holocaust in a fact-based, ethical and educational manner. In order to encourage plans for future exhibitions the programme will give young staff members and research trainees from the German, Central and Eastern European institutions mentioned above the opportunity to examine these issues in the context of an international exchange programme.

I. Which projects are eligible for funding?

Depending on the project the foundation will support reciprocal or one-way visits of one to three months by young staff members and research trainees from German, European and Israeli partner organisations. Priority will be given to exchange projects with institutions in Central and Eastern Europe.

For a project to qualify it must serve the purpose of a joint research of questions regarding the representation of 20th-century history. The exchange project must also demonstrate that it is related to exhibitions planned by participating institutions.

In addition, for each exchange project, funding can be provided for a meeting/workshop organised by partner institutions, in which the results of their joint efforts can be discussed and examined in greater depth by a wider circle. Grant holders also have the opportunity to attend a daylong colloquium in Germany at the end of the exchange.

II. Who is eligible for funding?

Project applications can be submitted by German museums, memorial sites, archives and research institutions. Selected projects will receive funding for person-specific grants, expenses and where applicable, for a workshop. As recipients of the fund, the German partner organisations are responsible for ensuring that these subsidies are appropriately distributed and documented.

Applications must indicate which staff member or research trainee of the partner organisations involved in the exchange is applying for a grant. Individuals who work for the institutions involved in the exchange on a freelance or contractual basis may also apply. The application should specify what planned exhibition the applicant is working on.

The following projects are not eligible for funding:

- doctorates and research projects
- publications (except for documentation of meetings/workshops connected to the programme)
- provenance research
III. Amount of funding
The grant includes a weekly allowance of 300 euros for the person-specific grants (to cover travel expenses, room, board, and materials). Additionally, the sending institution can request 300 euros weekly for expenses.
For each exchange project, up to 3,000 euros can be requested for the associated meetings/workshops of the respective partner organisations.

IV. Application process
The application form is available online at www.austausch-museen.de and should be submitted to the following address:
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A specialist jury will evaluate the applications and recommend grant recipients.

V. Deadline for applications
The deadline for project applications this year is the 30th April and 30th September.

NB:
In order to make it easier for partner institutions to get in touch with each other, the contact details of institutions interested in the grant programme can be published on the web site www.austausch-museen.de. If you wish to be included in this directory, or have any questions regarding the project, please contact the Project Coordinator.