



SFB1287 Short-term fellowships for Refugee Researchers

The Collaborative Research Centre CRC 1287 “Limits of Variability in Language: Cognitive, Computational, and Grammatical Aspects” in Potsdam, Germany, invites applications for short-term fellowships for refugee researchers available for 2022

The linguistic system exhibits a high degree of variability at all levels of linguistic description. This variability in language can be characterised as a range of different possible linguistic behaviours that are available to an individual language user, a group of language users, or in specific languages. The variability is limited by the constraints of the underlying linguistic system and shaped by cognitive and social or communicative factors. This variability is not just reducible to random noise but provides an important source of information to explain and predict linguistic behaviour. By modelling the factors influencing linguistic behaviours, the CRC (21 PIs in 13 scientific projects, one transfer project, and three service projects) contributes to a better understanding of the underlying mental representations and processing architectures in individual language users, as well as of the grammatical options available in individual languages and specific linguistic varieties, and options shared by particular subgroups of languages users.

The CRC provides a fantastic research infrastructure including a large interdisciplinary and multilingual network of researchers and its own graduate school (the MGK - Integrated Research Training Group).

Given the current political situation, we are offering fellowships for refugee researchers from Ukraine or Russia to work in the CRC 1287 for a duration of maximally one year.

Please submit the following information (in an email with ideally one single pdf attachment to <sf1287@uni-potsdam.de>) no later than 31.03.2022:

- Personal data (name, date and place of birth, address, bank details) (bank details can be submitted later)
- Family circumstances (marital status, number and birth dates of children, information on who will accompany you)
- Short declaration of your own economic circumstances and income situation
- Curriculum vitae and copy of diploma, PhD certificates etc.
- Work plan for the duration of the fellowship (in the framework of the CRC 1287)
- Letter of motivation with information on refugee status

The monthly fellowship allowance includes a basic fellowship of 1750 EUR plus a monthly allowance for direct project costs of 250 EUR plus a child allowance (400 for the first child and 100 for every additional child).

The University of Potsdam has a vibrant and interdisciplinary scientific community spanning many disciplines, including leading groups in the field of cognitive sciences (<http://www.uni-potsdam.de/en/cognitive-sciences/index.html>). The University is located in the city of Potsdam, which is connected to Berlin city centre via a quick 30-minute train ride. Potsdam is an attractive historical city and its palaces are a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The University of Potsdam values the diversity of its members and pursues the goals of equal opportunities regardless of gender, nationality, ethnic and social origin, religion/belief, disability, age, sexual orientation or identity. In the case of equal suitability, women in accordance with Section 7 (4) BbGHG and people with a severe disability will be given preferential consideration.

For more information: <https://www.uni-potsdam.de/en/sfb1287>