

Detailed information as well as application forms for Humboldt Research Fellowships for postdoctoral and experienced researchers are available at:

[www.humboldt-foundation.de/web/humboldt-fellowship-postdoc.html](http://www.humboldt-foundation.de/web/humboldt-fellowship-postdoc.html)

[www.humboldt-foundation.de/web/humboldt-fellowship-experienced.html](http://www.humboldt-foundation.de/web/humboldt-fellowship-experienced.html)

Applications may be sent to the following address at any time:

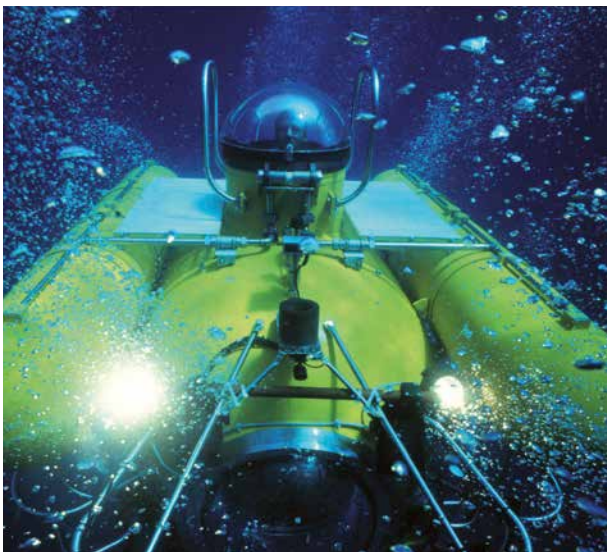
#### Address for application

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## The Alexander von Humboldt Foundation

Every year, the **Alexander von Humboldt Foundation** enables more than 1,900 researchers from all over the world to spend time researching in Germany. The Foundation maintains a network of well over 26,000 Humboldtians from all disciplines in 138 countries worldwide – including 43 Nobel Prize winners.

### Future Ocean

#### Understanding the Ocean — Sustaining Our Future

The Cluster of Excellence “The Future Ocean” pursues a research approach that is unique in Germany: marine researchers, geologists and economists join forces with mathematicians, computing, medical, legal, and social scientists to investigate ocean and climate change from a multidisciplinary perspective. Over 200 scientists from Kiel University, GEOMAR Helmholtz Centre for Ocean Research Kiel, the Institute for the World Economy (IfW) and the Muthesius Academy of Fine Arts are using innovative means to share their findings with the international scientific community, stake holders, decision makers, civil society and the public at large because they believe that by understanding the ocean we can sustain our future.

To transfer this interdisciplinary approach to the education of young scientists, the Integrated School of Ocean Sciences (ISOS) was created as a central element within the Cluster. The Cluster is also dedicated to the support of young scientists within the network of Integrated Marine Postdocs (IMAP).

All scientists of the “Future Ocean” have access to a wide ranging and excellent research infrastructure. This includes tools for ocean observation, numerical simulation, isotope and tracer analysis and molecular biosciences. The Cluster of Excellence “The Future Ocean” is funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG).

For further information [www.futureocean.org](http://www.futureocean.org)



## Future Ocean — Humboldt Foundation Postdoctoral Research Fellowships



## Research Fellowships for Postdoctoral and Experienced Researchers

**Are you looking for an opportunity to do postdoctoral research in Germany?** — Spend up to two years carrying out your own research project with the Cluster of Excellence “The Future Ocean” in Kiel, Germany. A cooperation between the Future Ocean and the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation makes it possible. Researchers from all disciplines are invited to apply for a Future Ocean Humboldt Fellowship in a topic related to any of the many research areas of the Future Ocean. Whether you are a marine geologist, micro-biologist, ecologist or oceanographer or a lawyer, economist, medical or social scientist, you can apply for a Future Ocean Humboldt Postdoc Fellowship.



### Am I eligible to apply for a Future Ocean Humboldt Fellowship? — You must have

- ▶ Earned a doctorate or comparable academic degree less than 12 years ago
- ▶ An excellent publication record
- ▶ A research plan
- ▶ Research facilities and support from the academic host in Kiel (we can help here!)
- ▶ Excellent letters of reference
- ▶ Good oral and written English language skills

**How much does the fellowship pay?** — Fellowships for postdoctoral researchers (up to four years after PhD) have a stipend of 2,650 Euros/month. For experienced researchers (from four to twelve years after PhD) the stipend is 3,150 Euros/month. In addition all fellows will receive the following:

- ▶ a lump sum for travel to and from your home country
- ▶ a language fellowship for an intensive language course of two to four months at selected language institutes in Germany immediately prior to starting your research (language courses for your spouse may also be covered)
- ▶ family allowances for accompanying family members staying at least three months (up to 326 Euros/month for spouses and up to 234 Euros/month for each child)

**How will my application be assessed?** — Candidates are selected solely on the basis of their research proposal and their academic record. There are no quotas for certain countries. The most important criteria for assessment are:

- ▶ High-level academic qualification and potential of the candidate
- ▶ Academic quality and feasibility of the research proposal
- ▶ Academic publications in internationally reviewed journals

**How are the Fellows selected?** — Applications are assessed by independent peer reviewers appointed by the Humboldt Foundation. The final decision is made by the Foundation's selection committee for Humboldt research fellowships.

**How can I apply?** — Contact a potential host in Kiel (we can help you find an appropriate host!) and prepare your research plan in agreement with the host. The application must be submitted directly to the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation (see the Alexander von Humboldt website for application forms and more information: [www.humboldt-foundation.de/web/humboldt-fellowship-postdoc.html](http://www.humboldt-foundation.de/web/humboldt-fellowship-postdoc.html))

