

## **Rules and criteria for the financial support of individual career development measures for IMAP members by the IMAP Financial Board**

**Board members:** Prof. Gernot Friedrichs, Prof. Dirk Nabers, Prof. Katrin Rehdanz, Prof. Norbert Schmitz, Prof. Lorenz Schwark, Prof. Martin Wahl.

**Background:** Financial measures provided by the Cluster to support the individual careers of IMAP members and to establish new scientific expertise within Kiel Marine Sciences

Decisions for awarding financial support should be based on whether at least one of the following criteria will be fulfilled. It will be evaluated whether support for the measure requested

- i) will broaden the expertise of the Cluster in the field of marine sciences and/or demonstrates the potential of opening up new seminal research fields for Kiel Marine Sciences,
- ii) will particularly contribute to the success of a given research project,
- iii) will particularly sharpen the applicant's research profile and expertise,
- iv) will increase the visibility of the Cluster,
- v) cannot be supported by some other means.

Travel to conferences, summer schools etc. will not be supported. Such requests are to be directed to the Cluster travel board via the Cluster Office ([office@futureocean.org](mailto:office@futureocean.org)).

For further details, please see

[http://www.futureocean.org/en/cluster/foerderlinien/travel\\_support\\_for\\_full\\_and\\_associated\\_members.php](http://www.futureocean.org/en/cluster/foerderlinien/travel_support_for_full_and_associated_members.php)

## **Financial support will be available for:**

**Lab visits:** Stays at institutions at home and abroad to learn techniques, methods, and approaches in which the Cluster is currently lacking expertise but which are related to research in Kiel Marine Sciences. Length of stay: From a few days up to 2 months, supported will be travel, accommodation, where applicable equipment use, max. 3000 €.

**Technical courses:** Courses, seminars, workshops to learn new techniques, methods, and approaches at home and abroad in which the Cluster is currently lacking expertise but which are related to research in Kiel Marine Sciences. Length of stay: From 1 to several days, supported will be travel, course fees, and accommodation, max. 2000 €.

**Support in writing publications for high-ranking journals:** Proofreading of manuscripts in the fields of Kiel Marine Sciences by editors/experts of the respective discipline. Whether the targeted journal is considered high-ranking will be evaluated according to the practice of the respective discipline. No such evaluation will be necessary if the authors plan to target 'Nature' or 'Science'. Supported will be editing of prepared texts and language corrections by a native speaker, max. 500 €.

## **Eligibility:**

IMAP members may submit one application per year for financial support for lab visits and technical courses, for manuscript preparation applications can be submitted on demand.

## **Submission, evaluation and decision:**

Applications should be files using the attached form and should comment on each of the criteria mentioned.

Applications may be submitted at any time to the IMAP coordinator ([gbraker@uv.uni-kiel.de](mailto:gbraker@uv.uni-kiel.de)). Applications will be forwarded to the IMAP financial board for comments, comparative evaluation and recommendation. The decision will be finalized by the IMAP coordinator who will generally follow the recommendations of the board.

Please note that we reserve all rights to modify these rules. Version Dec. 18, 2017.