



Exzellenz verbindet – be part of a worldwide network

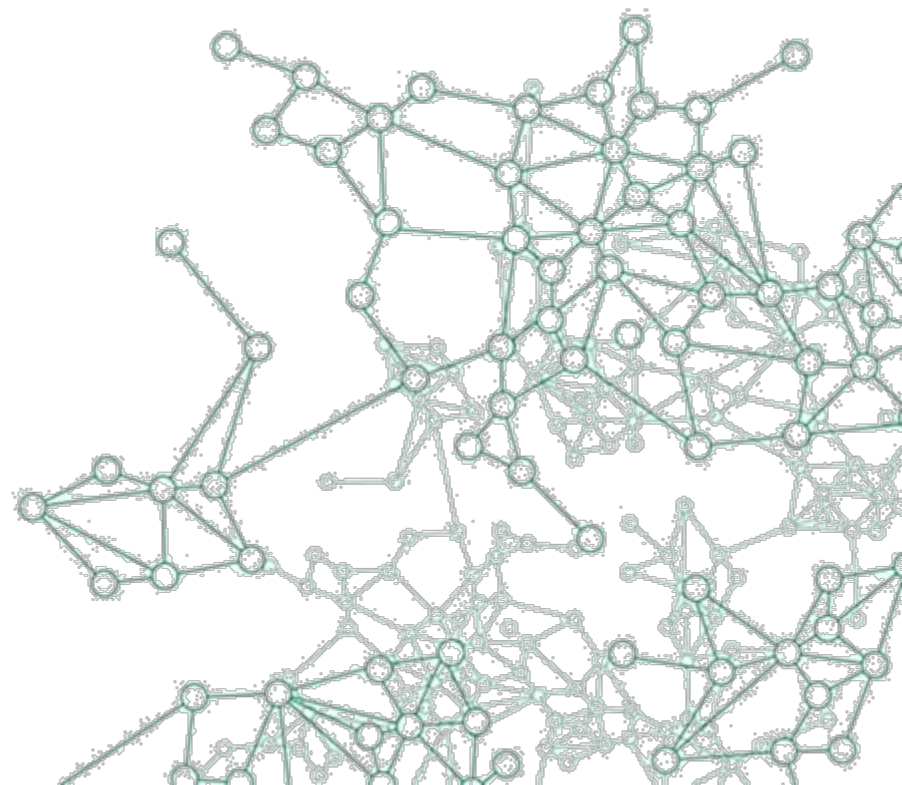
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Historical and intellectual roots

- Alexander von Humboldt (1769 - 1859): discoverer, universal scholar, cosmopolitan and patron of excellent scientific talent
- 1953: establishment of today's Alexander von Humboldt Foundation based in Bonn Bad-Godesberg
- international network of academic cooperation and trust inspired by Humboldt's example





Principles of the Foundation

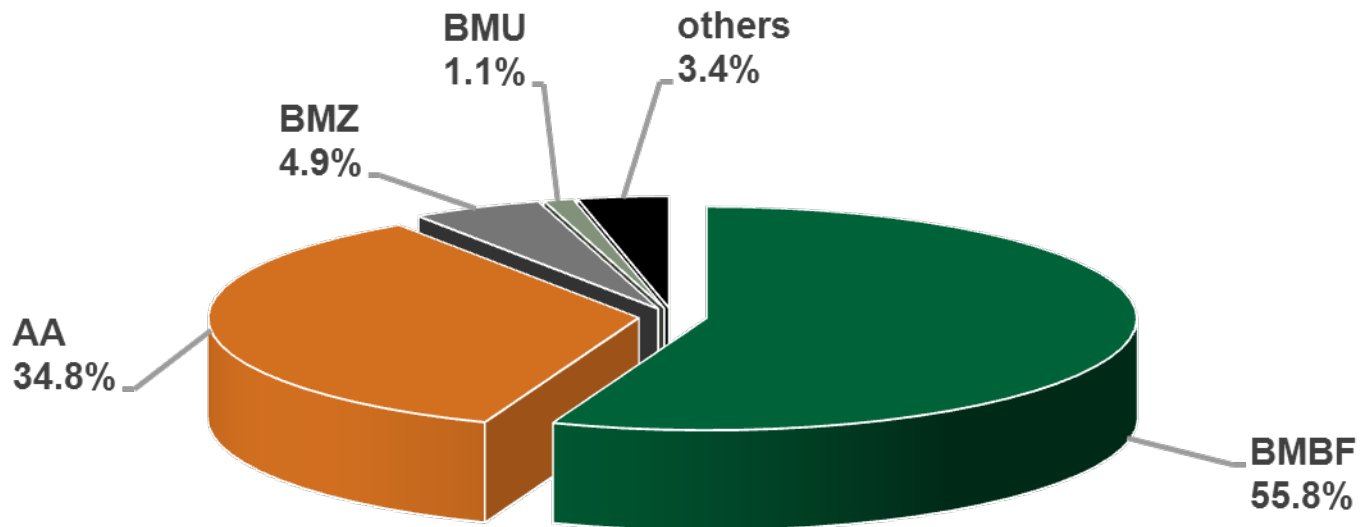
- sole selection criterion: academic excellence
- no quotas for countries or disciplines
- sponsorship of people, not projects
- free choice of academic host/collaborative partner in Germany
- independent scientific research, not stipulated by the Foundation





The Humboldt Foundation's funding

Budget for 2012: approx. 112.5 million EUR
Financed by federal funds: approx. 97%



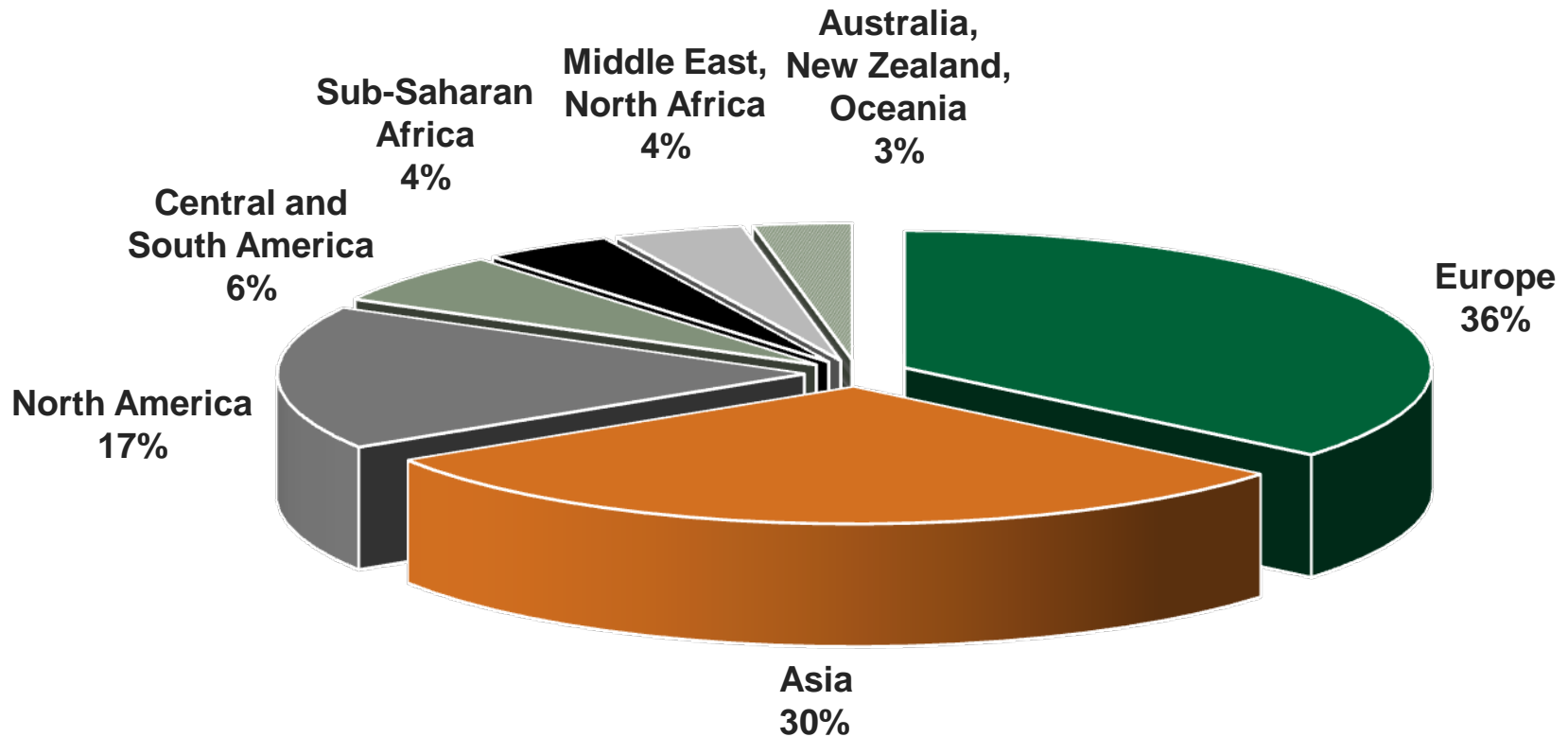
AA: Federal Foreign Office
BMBF: Federal Ministry of Education and Research
BMZ: Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development
BMU: Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation
and Nuclear Safety



Origin of guest researchers

2008–2012:

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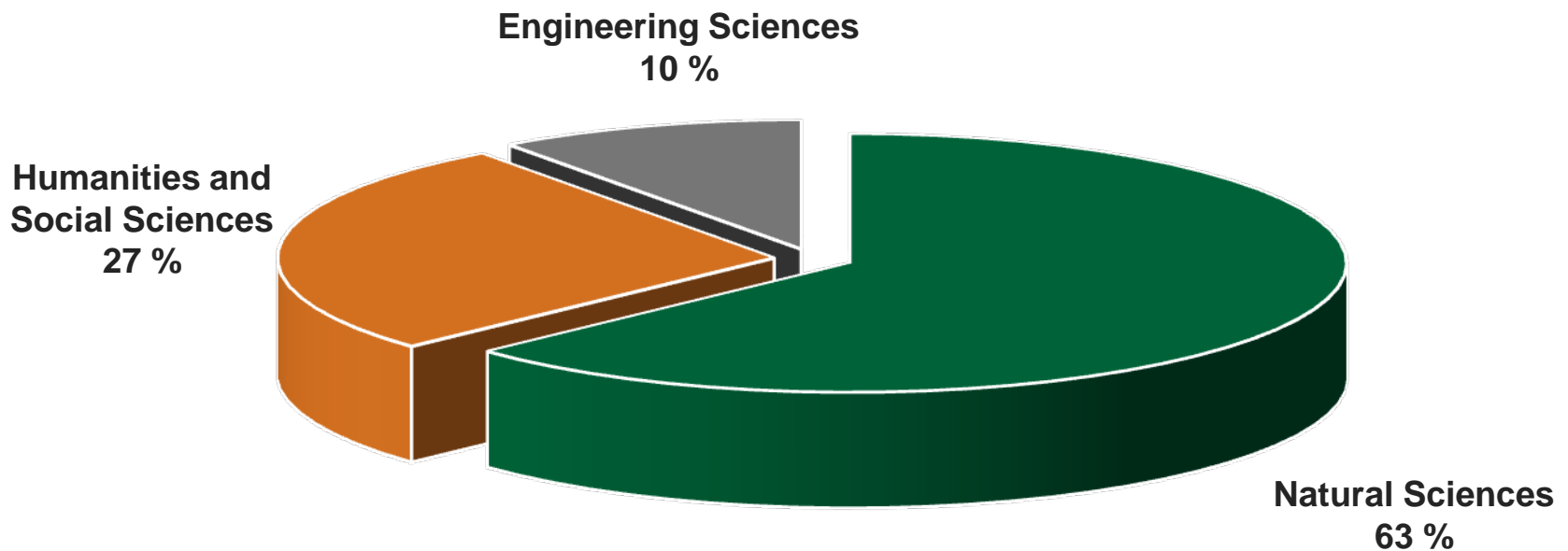




Disciplines of guest researchers

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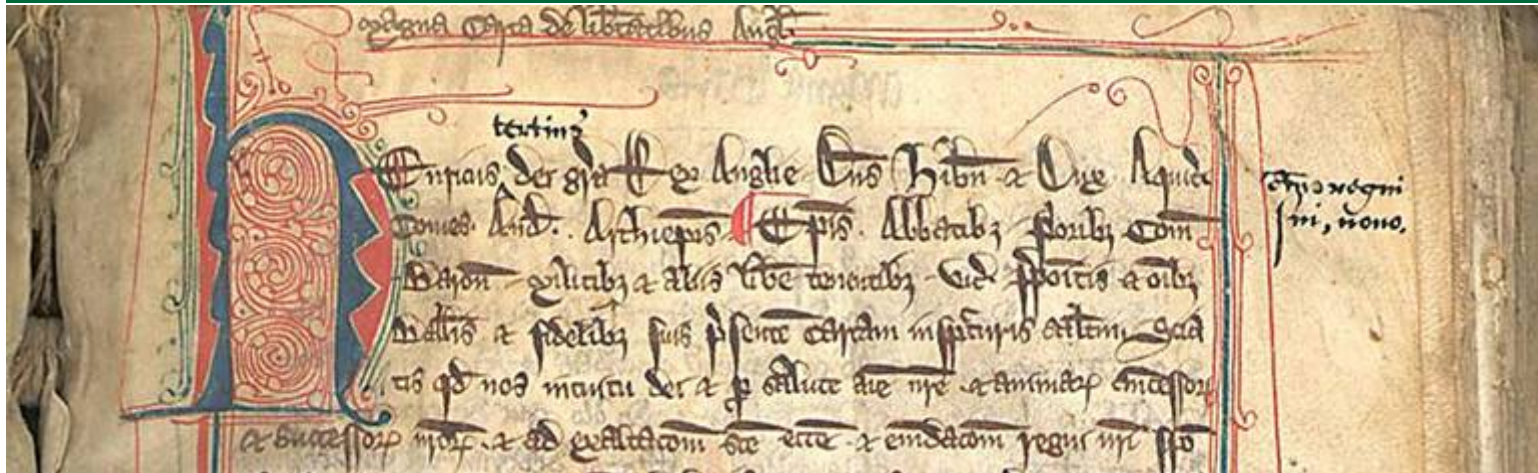
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Research Fellowships

for exceptionally qualified academics from abroad and from
Germany





Sponsorship – individual and personal

- sponsorship for foreign and German top-flight academics to collaborate with specialist colleagues
- more than 700 prestigious research fellowships and awards annually
- flexible sponsorship options for different career stages
- individual and personal mentoring for those sponsored and their families





Application requirements

Postdoctoral researchers

- above average doctorate
- academic publications
- agreement by academic host
- independent research project
- knowledge of German and/or English

Experienced researchers

- independent academic activity, e.g. as an assistant professor
- comprehensive list of academic publications with own, clearly defined academic profile
- agreement by academic host
- independent research project
- knowledge of German and/or English



Application procedure

- applications at any time to the Foundation directly
- assessment by independent expert reviewers
- decision by independent selection committees
- duration of procedure: approximately 4 to 7 months



Research fellowships for research stays in Germany

For postdoctoral and experienced researchers

Humboldt Research Fellowship

- worldwide, all disciplines, no quotas

Georg Forster Research Fellowship

- researchers from emerging and developing countries, all disciplines, no quotas
- research projects with relevance to development



Research fellowships for research stays in Germany

Humboldt Research Fellowship / Georg Forster Research Fellowship

	Postdoctoral researchers	Experienced researchers
Duration of sponsorship	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 6 to 24 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 6 to 18 months, may be divided up into 3 stays
Application period	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• applications at any time, doctorates completed less than 4 years ago	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• applications at any time, doctorates completed less than 12 years ago
Fellowship amount	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2,650 EUR per month (plus additional benefits)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3,150 EUR per month (plus additional benefits)



Benefits provided

- fellowship
- travel lump sum
- language courses
- benefits for families
- allowance for research costs for the host institute



Alumni sponsorship and international networking

- more than 26,000 Humboldtians in over 130 countries:
“Once a Humboldtian – always a Humboldtian“
- alumni sponsorship and international networking through e.g.
 - further research stays
 - Research Group Linkage Programme
 - Humboldt Colloquia and Kollegs
 - Humboldt Alumni Associations





Humboldt Kollegs (1)

Goal

- to strengthen regional and professional networking

Eligibility

- Humboldt Alumni and Humboldt Alumni Associations
- responsibility for planning, concept and organisation

Subject

- should cover the full spectrum of a scientific subject area





Humboldt Kollegs (2)

Participants

- Humboldt Alumni (at least a third)
- junior researchers
- researchers from Germany as well as other researchers

Funding

- flat rate 125 EUR per day and participant; max. 40,000 EUR

Programme advertisement and marketing

- promotion of AvH programmes, contacts to German colleagues

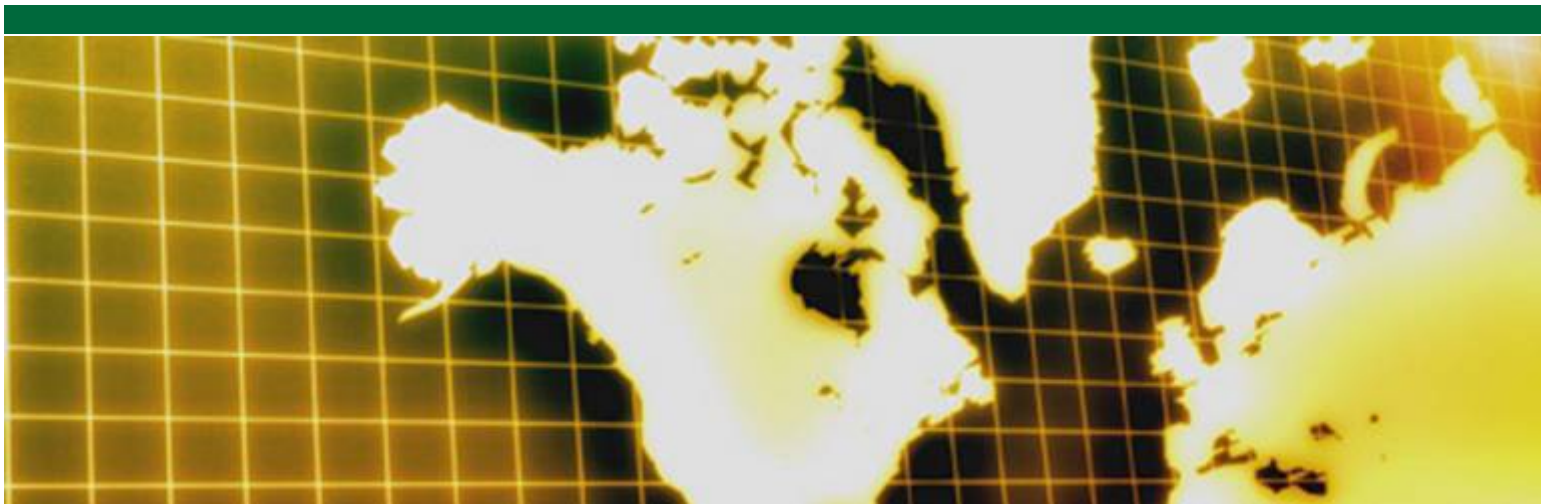




Humboldt Network Online

- Public network
 - search and find Humboldtians electronically
 - search the Bibliographia Humboldtiana
- Protected area (for Humboldtians)
 - access the details and contact addresses of all Humboldtians
 - administer entries in the Bibliographica Humboldtiana and your personal profile

www.humboldt-foundation.de/web/researching-the-network.html





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