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**EXIST-Gründerstipendium**



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### EXIST - Start-ups from Science

The start-up teams receive an EXIST start-up grant at attractive **conditions** for a period of 12 months to work out a business plan and prepare for their business start-up with the support of their university or research institution. The most important prerequisite is that the planned business idea must be an innovative technology-oriented or knowledge-based product with significant unique selling points and good prospects of economic success. Services are also funded under these conditions. The **application** is submitted via the university or research institution.

### What is the EXIST-Gründerstipendium?

EXIST-Gründerstipendium is a nationwide funding programme that supports innovative start-ups from universities and non-university research institutions in the early stages. EXIST-Gründerstipendium supports the development of a product/service idea and the preparation of a business plan until the company is founded.

### Who is being funded?

- Scientists from universities and non-university research institutions
- University graduates or former research assistants (up to five years after graduation or retirement)
- Students who have completed at least half of their studies at the time of application.
- Start-up teams of up to three people. One of the team members may have a qualified professional degree or a university degree that dates back more than five years.

### What is being funded?

- Innovative technology-oriented start-up projects
- Innovative services with high customer benefit that are based on scientific findings and are expected to have unique selling propositions on the market.

### How is funding provided?

- Maximum funding period: one year
- Securing of personal livelihood via a scholarship depending on graduation:
  - **Doctorate:** € 3,000 Euro/month
  - **University degree:** € 2,500 Euro/month
  - **Team members with a recognised professional qualification:** €2,000 Euro/month
  - **Students:** € 1,000 Euro/month
  - **Child supplement:** € 150 Euro/month per child
- **Material expenses:** up to € 10,000 for individual start-ups (maximum € 30,000 for teams)
- **Start-up related coaching:** € 5,000 Euro

### What is to be done?

- The applicant for funding is the university or research institution.
- The prospective founders develop an idea paper in which they describe their innovative business idea.
- The university appoints a mentor who undertakes to provide professional support. The support of the founders is ensured by a start-up network.
- The university or research institution provides the founders with a workplace for one year.

### When can funding be applied for?

Applications can be submitted at any time to the Project Management Organisation Jülich (PtJ) commissioned by the Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy.

### Interested?

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