



## Stiftungsfonds für Postgraduierte der Ägyptologie

### General Information

The ‘Stiftungsfonds für Postgraduierte der Ägyptologie’ is a non-profit organisation established by Professor Dr Hans Goedicke (1926–2015) for the purpose of promoting scientific research by international and national young academics in the field of Egyptology. The Endowment Fund is based at the Austrian Academy of Sciences in Vienna. The scholarship is awarded *per annum* to academics in the field of Egyptology who have not yet reached the age of 40. The aim of the fund is to support the successful completion of a research project with a one-year scholarship. The research work may be at an early stage, already at an advanced stage or close to completion, but should not yet be finalised (it could be part of a dissertation, a research contribution or part of a long-term project, etc.). The grant is paid out as a one-off sum of money, primarily to help young scholars worldwide at the beginning of their academic career to recognise their achievements through research and publication. Scholarship holders are not obliged to reside in Austria. Projects can be submitted in German, English and French. Apart from the age limit, the basic requirements for the award of a scholarship are a completed MA or PhD degree in Egyptology and a convincing exposé of the research work to be carried out in terms of content and form (see below). All interested parties who fulfil the above requirements are cordially invited to submit their application in written form to the Austrian Academy of Sciences in Vienna (for the technical details see below).

### Submission / Deadlines and Grant Amount

There is no separate call for applications and no special application form, i.e. the research application can be submitted throughout the year. However, the 31<sup>st</sup> December of each year (postmark) is decisive for the consideration of a possible selection for the scholarship award. Each application will be internationally peer-reviewed and evaluated in the first few months of the new year in terms of form and then content. Notification of the award of funding is usually given in May.

All applicants are notified in writing of the award or rejection of funding. As a rule, three candidates selected by the Foundation Board are awarded a scholarship each year. The amount of the award depends on the assessment and ranking of the reviewers and is divided into the following amounts (in Euros): €15.000, €10.000 and €5.000, which are transferred to the applicants as one-off payments. In the case of an *ex-aequo* ranking of two candidates, both persons will be awarded the prize in the recognised category.

The scholarship cannot be applied for as a printing cost subsidy for a work that has already been completed and is to be published.

## **Important Note: After the Successful Completion of the Research Year**

Applicants who have received funding are obliged to submit a detailed report on their research work and results to the ‘Stiftungsfonds für Postgraduierte der Ägyptologie’ after one year. This report will be forwarded to the members of the Foundation Board but will not be published by the ‘Stiftungsfonds für Postgraduierte der Ägyptologie’ either in printed form or online.

## **Content Guidelines for a Successful Application**

The description of the project in the exposé should take the following points into account:

- The project should have at least one clearly stated main research question to be addressed.
- The scientific value of the research (relevance and timeliness: i.e. will the project answer questions in the research area in question, or has the topic already been sufficiently addressed/elaborated/documentated?)
- Is the project well proposed and feasibly described, and is its impact on the Egyptological community well illustrated?
- Work plan: can the proposed project be realised within the specified time (one year)?

The following Egyptological subject areas are supported as research projects:

- Egyptian philology, both interpretative and epigraphic, from the early Old Kingdom to the Roman period (hieroglyphic as well as hieratic);
- Studies on history, literature, law, religion and art history.

The following subject areas are excluded from funding:

- Linguistics, Demotic and Coptic;
- Archaeology, in particular the exclusively statistically-focused recording of archaeological find categories (pottery, silices, etc.) and stratigraphic features without recognisable contextualisation and/or in-depth research.

The above restrictions are of a fundamental nature and reflect the priorities of the founder.

## **Formal Requirements for a Successful Application**

The application to the ‘Stiftungsfonds für Postgraduierte der Ägyptologie’ must include:

- a letter of application
- a description of the project or research (see below)
- a *curriculum vitae*
- a list of previous publications (if available)
- a publication (preferably a recent article; accepted for printing)
- a letter of recommendation (in a sealed envelope) from at least two referees stating whether the applicant will be able to carry out the work on the basis of his/her previous achievements and expertise.

The synopsis of the research proposal should be approx. 10 A4, but no more than 15 pages (incl. scientific apparatus); text: Times 12 pt; footnotes: 10 pt; 1.5 line spacing. The ‘rules of good scientific practice’ apply when writing the exposé.

Formally incorrect and/or incomplete applications (missing or inadequate documents) cannot be considered during the evaluation.

It is not necessary to draw up a financial plan for the research year or a purchase plan for any equipment.

In principle, it is possible to submit further applications under different research priorities, even after a scholarship has been awarded and a research year completed. Applicants must be under 40 years of age.

The complete application documents must be sent by post to the address of the Austrian Academy of Sciences in Vienna:

To  
Stiftungsfonds für Postgraduierte der Ägyptologie  
at the Austrian Academy of Sciences,  
Dr Ignaz Seipel-Platz 2,  
1010 Vienna, Austria

In addition, a pdf version of the complete application (except the two letters of recommendations, of course) should be sent to the Executive Board of the ‘Stiftungsfonds’:

Dr Regina Hölzl, e-mail: [Regina.Hoelzl@khm.at](mailto:Regina.Hoelzl@khm.at)

And

Assoc. Prof. Dr Peter Jánosi, e-mail: [peter.janosi@univie.ac.at](mailto:peter.janosi@univie.ac.at)

If you have any further questions, please write to the Executive Board of the ‘Stiftungsfonds’ using the keyword ‘Stiftungsfonds für Postgraduierte der Ägyptologie’.

There is no legal entitlement.

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