First Book Grant

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The Independent Social Research Foundation wishes to support recent PhD graduates in their effort to turn their doctoral thesis into a publishable book. Closing date for applications is 6pm CET on 4th February 2022.

Researchers may apply from across the social sciences and the humanities. The awards are intended to provide a research stipend (to cover living costs plus reasonable research expenses) for a period of up to twelve months. Scholars from within Europe are eligible to apply. Candidates must have been awarded their PhD and should be within three years of PhD award at the time of application, and should not already hold a permanent position within academia. The awards are intended as providing a stipend to allow applicants full or partial support for the conversion of their PhD thesis into a book.

A final publication contract need not be in place at the time of application. However, applicants should have developed a specific publication plan, and describe any of their preliminary inquiries to publishers.

The awards - of up to €34,000 (or GBP equivalent) - are intended to provide a stipend to allow applicants full or partial relief from non-academic duties, for a period of up to one year; alternatively, the award may be sought by those who wish to be bought-out from a non-academic employment contract (in whole or partially), with the prior consent of their current employer.

For more information - including guidance on eligible research - and to apply, please visit https://www.isrf.org/funding-opportunities/grant-competitions/fbg1/

ISRF-MPIWG Collaborative Fellowships in the History of Knowledge
The Independent Social Research Foundation (ISRF) and the Max Planck Institute for the History of Science (MPIWG) wish to support pairs of researchers from different disciplinary backgrounds to conduct collaborative research. Closing date for applications is 6pm CET on 28th January 2022.

Researchers may apply from across the social sciences and the humanities. Proposals should investigate original research ideas and specify potential applications to real world problems, on regional or global scales. Each pair of scholars would preferably combine historical with contemporary perspectives on the sources and effects of knowledge formations, in scientific, humanistic, economic, social, technological, or environmental domains.

The awards - of up to €40,000 per pair - are intended to provide a research stipend (to cover living costs plus reasonable research expenses) for a period of up to five months – with a core, mandatory period of four months commencing 1st March 2023 – for the purpose of working together on an interdisciplinary project, based in Berlin for the duration. Only pairs of scholars are eligible to apply, and must apply together. Applicants will normally hold a full-time or part-time salaried position - which may be permanent or fixed-term - at an institution of higher education and research, though independent scholars are also eligible.

Each pair must represent two different disciplines and two different institutions. Applications from two countries or nationalities are also encouraged: one of the aims of this award is to facilitate collaboration across borders.

For more information - including guidance on eligible research - and to apply, please visit [https://www.isrf.org/funding-opportunities/grant-competitions/cf1/](https://www.isrf.org/funding-opportunities/grant-competitions/cf1/)