

**Title:** Achieving your own scientific independence – how to raise third-party funding

**Target Group:** Doctoral Candidates (3<sup>rd</sup> year onwards) and early Postdocs

**June 15, 1 pm CECAD lecture hall**

**Registration until May 15, 2023 here:** <https://form.jotform.com/230814408843052>



**Workshop Description:**

The successful acquisition of third-party funds increasingly represents a central qualification in negotiations for an appointment as professor. In the first part of this workshop you will get an overview of the most important funding organisations and their programmes. In particular, funding opportunities for your own position, for a research stay abroad and for starting your own junior research group are presented. In the second part of the workshop we will have a closer look on how to develop a research project for a research proposal. Using a DFG research grant application as an example, you will get to know the specific elements of a proposal and its funding criteria. Many of these must be considered in the early postdoctoral phase. In addition, the budget planning of your research project will be discussed as well as various Dos & Don'ts of proposal writing. Finally, you will learn about the most relevant procedures at the University of Cologne. This includes obtaining signatures from various administrative departments and determining personnel costs on the basis of budget tables.

**Schedule:**

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| 1 - 2.15 pm:    | Funding Opportunities for PostDocs                          |
| 2.30 – 4.30 pm: | From Research Idea to Research Project: Proposal Writing    |
| 4.30 – 5.00 pm: | Testimonial of a successful applicant                       |
| 5.00 pm:        | Networking at Stammtisch by CECAD PhD and PostDoc Committee |

**Trainers:**

**Patricia Hoff** studied European Studies (M.A.) at Cardiff University in Wales after completing her B.A. in European Studies at the University of Passau. During her studies, she completed several internships such as in New York City as part of the German American Partnership Program or in Brussels at the EU office of the Goethe-Institut. From 2007 to 2013, she worked at KoWi (Kooperationsstelle EU der Wissenschaftsorganisationen), an advisory office on EU research funding, funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG) in Bonn. There she was responsible for advising on Marie Curie Actions as well as on the European Research Council (ERC). Since October 2013, she has been working in Department 71 Analysis and Consulting in Department 7 Research Management at the University of Cologne. Her responsibilities include funding research, application advice, and event management.

**Sonja Kloppenburg** has been working in Department 7 Research Management as a project manager in Dept. 71 "Analysis and Consulting" since 2015. She advises scientists on funding opportunities for research projects, searches for suitable national and international funding opportunities, and provides support in concrete applications to national funding organizations such as the DFG, the BMBF, etc. After studying Literature and Cultural Studies and International Relations in Bonn, Münster, St Andrews and Toronto, she completed training and further education in the field of third-party funding administration and project management. Before joining the University of Cologne, she was employed as a project manager in a project on international cooperation in sustainable development funded by the Ministry of Innovation, Science and Research (MIWF NRW), which was based at the University of Bonn.