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Interested in interdisciplinary Arab-German research projects? The Arab-German Young Academy of Sciences and Humanities (AGYA) is looking for new members! Apply by 24 March 2019

The Arab-German Young Academy of Sciences and Humanities (AGYA) invites excellent young scholars interested in interdisciplinary research cooperation to apply for membership. Application deadline: 24 March 2019

Excellent early-career scholars (3-10 years post PhD) actively engaged in the fields of Natural Sciences, Technical Sciences, Life Sciences, Humanities, Social Sciences and the Arts are encouraged to apply for membership in the Arab-German Young Academy of Sciences and Humanities. Applicants must be affiliated with a university or research institution in Germany or in any Arab country.

AGYA promotes forward-thinking interdisciplinary research projects at the interface of science and society

AGYA provides its members with support and funding for innovative projects across disciplines that are relevant for society. Members actively shape the Academy's activities and implement their own ideas and approaches within the framework of Arab-German research cooperation. AGYA connects outstanding scholars and high-ranking decision-makers in a growing Arab-German network of science and innovation, thus opening up potential for cutting-edge research across disciplines and cultures. The Academy also deepens regional collaboration in the Arab world and facilitates new forms of North-South-South cooperation. To date, members of AGYA have developed and carried out more than 100 interdisciplinary projects in more than 60 cities and 30 countries. These diverse projects have dealt with topics relevant to society, such as scarcity of resources, public health, migration, education and endangered cultural heritage. The Academy also promotes the scientific careers and leadership skills of its members through high-quality, tailor-made trainings.

Who can apply?

Eligible candidates include excellent and engaged early-career scholars who:

- come from the fields of Natural Sciences, Technology, Social Sciences, Humanities, Life Sciences and the Arts, with documented experience in research (3-10 years post PhD);
- are affiliated with a university or research institution in Germany or any Arab country: Algeria, Bahrain, Comoros, Djibouti, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Mauretania, Oman, Palestine, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Yemen;
- have full command of English, the working language of AGYA. No knowledge of German or Arabic is necessary.

Successful candidates are expected to have a proven record of research excellence in their field of specialization. Candidates with strong potential for academic leadership will be given priority. Membership requires active engagement. As AGYA is a working academy, successful candidates are expected to dedicate a significant amount of time to AGYA activities and the funded projects they initiate

within the framework of the Academy. AGYA membership lasts for five years, followed by lifelong membership in the AGYA Alumni Network.

Application documents are available at: www.agya.info/cfm2019

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Arab-German Young Academy of Sciences and Humanities (AGYA)

The Arab-German Young Academy of Sciences and Humanities (AGYA) is based at the Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities (BBAW) in Germany and at the Academy of Scientific Research and Technology (ASRT) in Egypt. It was established in 2013 and is the first bilateral young academy worldwide. AGYA promotes research cooperation among outstanding early-career researchers from all disciplines who are affiliated with a research institution in Germany or any Arab country. The academy provides partnership-building opportunities and funding to support the innovative projects of its members in various fields of research as well as in science policy and education. More than 50 members—in equal number Arab and German scholars—have been selected to join AGYA since 2013. AGYA is funded by the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) and various Arab cooperation partners.

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