

# Brandenburg Postdoc Award

## Call for Applications 2022

The Brandenburg Ministry of Sciences, Research and Cultural Affairs hereby announces the Call for Applications for the 2022 Brandenburg Postdoc Award.

The Call for Applications concerns two awards which are endowed with a prize sum of 20,000 € each:

- **Award for outstanding research in the area of the humanities and social sciences,**
- **Award for outstanding research in the area of natural and engineering sciences.**

These awards aim at valuing the outstanding scientific work of postdoctoral young researchers. Dissertations are not eligible for application. Eligible scientific work includes e.g. scientific publications in the form of books or essays in recognized, eventually international scientific magazines, patent applications or research projects financed by third-party funds in which verifiable results have already been achieved. In case that the scientific work results from cooperation within a group of researchers and in all cases where several authors contributed to the work proposed for the award, the individual and significant merit of the applicant has to be clearly identifiable and has to be outlined and clarified in the application. The scientific work must have been completed within the State of Brandenburg **after the 1<sup>st</sup> of June, 2021**. The reference date for completion is in case of publications the date of acceptance for publication. For habilitation treatise the reference date is the finalization of the evaluation process.

Postdoctoral researchers who have obtained their Ph.D. no longer than 5 years ago can apply for the awards. Periods of maternity leave or parental leave according to the relevant statutory rules will be taken into consideration additionally up to a maximum of two years per child and up to an overall maximum of four years. The reference date, measured from the day of the oral Ph.D. examination, is the Call for Applications deadline.

Additionally, universities and non-university research institutions in the State of Brandenburg are entitled to propose candidates. Each institution may provide several propositions.

Applicants have to provide the following documents:

- the scientific work that the application is based on,
- a short, significant appreciation by a professor from a related field of research,
- a short, generally understandable abstract of the scientific work with an explanatory statement on why the application for the Brandenburg Postdoc Award is based on this work (no more than 3 pages),
- a list of publications in which the 3 most important publications are specially marked,
- proof of the date of the oral Ph.D. examination,
- a CV in table form.

Applicants are requested to hand in their application documents additionally in form of a pdf-file by Email.

All applications that arrive at the Ministry of Sciences, Research and Cultural Affairs **until May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022** (deadline), will be considered. The formless applications including the abovementioned documents must be sent to the following address:

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The selection of the award winners will be made by a scientific jury chaired by Prof. Dr. Christoph Marksches (President of the BBAW) after pre-evaluation by members of the Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences.

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