Announcement

Three young researchers’ workshops in the CENTRAL-Network (CENTRAL-Kollegs)

Short description
CENTRAL-Kollegs are a format for research-based learning aimed at junior researchers (doctoral candidates or post-docs) at all partner universities of the CENTRAL-Network (University of Warsaw, University of Vienna, Eötvös Loránd University, Charles University, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin) who will develop and carry out an independent research project with students.

The application deadline for the CENTRAL-Kollegs is 15 April 2018.

Funding possibilities
In 2018 we offer three (3) CENTRAL-Kollegs in Berlin (Humboldt-Universität) open to all areas of research. We welcome applications from all disciplines.

What are CENTRAL-Kollegs?
In CENTRAL-Kollegs, student research teams under the guidance of junior researchers, develop a research project in a subject of their choice, which they will then carry out independently over a period of several months.

The CENTRAL-Kolleg consists of a total of three junior researchers and six students in the following composition:

- one junior researcher from Humboldt-Universität as well as one junior researcher each from two other CENTRAL partner universities (University of Warsaw, University of Vienna, Eötvös Loránd University, Charles University)
- two students from Humboldt-Universität as well as two other students each from two other CENTRAL partner universities (University of Warsaw, University of Vienna, Eötvös Loránd University, Charles University)
What are the objectives?
Through the organisation and carrying out of a research workshop, junior researchers will have the opportunity to gain experience in mentoring, teaching and project-organisation. The independent completion of a research project will allow students to gain their first experience in research and to benefit from international exchange through the training offered by specialised international networks.

How are CENTRAL-Kollegs structured?
The CENTRAL-Kollegs will run between June 2018 and December 2018. They include two workshops (initial and final presentations; 3 days each), both held at Humboldt-Universität, as well as virtual (web-based) and personal exchange between all those involved during the period between the above mentioned workshops.

Who can apply?
Junior researchers (doctoral candidates or post-docs having finished their doctoral studies no longer than 2 years ago) at CENTRAL universities can apply collectively as a team of Kolleg workshop leaders (i.e. a junior researcher from Humboldt-Universität as well as one junior researcher from two further CENTRAL partner universities).

What are the duties of CENTRAL-Kolleg leaders and their teams?
The junior researchers, who – as a team – lead the CENTRAL-Kolleg, have the following duties:
- planning the CENTRAL-Kolleg and selecting participating students
- organising and preparing workshop meetings (room allocation, organising the initial and final courses at Humboldt-Universität)
- supervising students with any content-related/methodological issues in the period between the two above mentioned meetings
- helping students to process the results in a suitable form (e.g. report, presentation, poster)
- compiling a short final report regarding the research process and the acquired results for the CENTRAL-Network

What funding is available?
Funding for travel and accommodation expenses is available to the participants of a CENTRAL-Kolleg from the two CENTRAL partner universities for the initial and final workshops at Humboldt-Universität:

a) Travel and accommodation expenses pursuant to DAAD funding regulations for one junior researcher per CENTRAL partner university (approx. €950 per course; approx. €1900 in total)
b) Travel and accommodation expenses pursuant to DAAD funding regulations for two students per partner university (approx. €1450 per course; approx. €2850 in total).

Duration of initial and final workshops in Berlin: 3 days each

What documents are required for application?
- All documents may be submitted in English
- Application form “CENTRAL-Kolleg“ (see attached)
- Description of the research project (max. 3 pages)
- CVs of the junior researchers involved
- Work plan and schedule of the CENTRAL-Kolleg

Selection criteria
- Formal criteria of the announcement (completeness of application)
- Content-related criteria (scientific quality of the project, teaching concept for the Kolleg)

Application deadline
The application deadline for the CENTRAL-Kollegs is 15 April 2018. Please submit the above mentioned documents to Aleksandra Laski (aleksandra.laski@hu-berlin.de) in the CENTRAL-Network office by email (as one PDF document).

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