

Scholarship of the Evonik Foundation

The scholarship of the Evonik Foundation promotes exclusively scientific theses (master theses, doctoral dissertations). Our goal is to support talented young scientists. We regard our funding as content and personal support.

We offer the following funding options

- Scholarship of the Evonik Foundation
- Werner Schwarze Scholarship
 1. Master theses: For a period of six months, 250-600 euros/month
 2. Doctoral theses: Two years (with option to extend), 1,400 euros/month
 - In addition, applications may be made for purchase of specialist literature and for attendance at scientific conferences

Funding Priorities in 2022

- The focus area for the scholarship of the Evonik Foundation will be announced here in January 2022.
- Werner Schwarze Scholarship: Topics in amino acid research

Application Process

The scholarship of the Evonik Foundation is only awarded within the context of the funding priority, which is defined annually, and which we publish on this internet page in **January of each year**.

The application process consists of three phases – see Application Process.

Please note that you must send us your summary (Phase 1) **by February 15, 2022, at the latest**. Then you will receive from us either a request to submit your complete application documents or notification that your application has not been successful.

You must submit your complete application documents (Phase 2) **by February , 2022, at the latest**.

28. Incomplete applications or applications that are not received on time shall not be considered.

Scholarship Award

Prerequisites for awarding of a scholarship:

- The thematic focus of your research project must correspond to our annual research priority area or the area of amino acid research.
- Your scientific research must take place in a renowned, chemistry-focused work group at a German university or non-university research facility.
- You must have an excellent record of academic achievement.
- The level of funding or financial support available from your own means or from parents or third parties is not sufficient to cover the scientific training/education you are pursuing.

Application Process

1st Phase:

If you believe that you meet the prerequisites above, then send us the information listed below in table form and a brief summary of your research project in a PDF file via e-mail to: info@evonik-stiftung.de

1. Last name, first name, your e-mail address
2. University or the non-university research facility
3. Details of the scholarship: Master thesis, doctoral thesis
4. Title of research project
5. Funding period (begin/end)
6. Doctoral supervisor and e-mail address
7. Research project (maximum of half a page)

Following review of your research project by our selection committee, we will contact you and either ask you to submit a complete application or let you know that your application has not been successful.

Please note that you must send us your summary (Phase 1) by February 15, 2022, at the latest. Applications that we receive after this date shall not be considered.

2nd Phase:

If you receive a positive response from us after the first phase, we request that you submit your complete application documents in the following order. Please send us one complete PDF file via e-mail:

1. Cover letter
2. Résumé in table form, ideally with a photograph
3. Subject and research objective of the scientific work (maximum of 10 pages) with the following contents:
 - 3.1 Cover sheet with last name, first name, university / research facility, title of thesis, master thesis, funding period, doctoral supervisor
 - 3.2 Introduction with the current state of research
 - 3.3 Summary and research objectives
 - 3.4 Planned experiments
 - 3.5 Schedule
4. References

Please note that you must submit your references to us in reverse chronological order - beginning with the most recent: Example: Master, bachelor, high school.
5. Assessment from your doctoral supervisor

*Please note that you must send the assessment from your supervising professor as part of your complete application documentation via e-mail and also in original form via surface mail **by 28 February, 2022, at the latest.***
6. Completed Evonik Foundation questionnaire

You will receive the Evonik Foundation questionnaire from us via e-mail together with a request to send us your complete application documents.

3rd Phase:

After February 28, 2022, our selection committee will review your documents and will then invite a selection of applicants for interview. During the interview, you will have the opportunity to present your research topic to a team of experts and to discuss it with them. Soon after the interview, we will inform you of our decision. All funding shall become available at the earliest in June of each year.

Thank you very much for your interest.

If you have any questions, please address them to:

Evonik Stiftung
Rellinghauser Straße 1-11
45128 Essen
info@evonik-stiftung.de

How we handle your data and your rights

Application process for a scholarship from the Evonik Foundation

Information in accordance with articles 13, 14 and 21 of the General Data Protection

In 2009, the Evonik Foundation, based in Essen, took over the activities of the former Degussa Foundation, which in turn, had integrated the Hermann-Schlosser Foundation and the Konrad-Henkel Foundation in 2003. The Evonik Foundation is endowed with approximately 9 million euros. Added to this are annual contributions from Evonik Industries AG to the foundation, with which it is closely associated. This is to enable the Evonik Foundation to carry out its mission to support social, charitable, church, and benevolent purposes. Below, you can find an overview of how your personal data is processed and of your rights with regard to data protection.

1. Who is responsible for the data processing and who can I contact?

Responsibility for data processing lies with: Evonik Stiftung, Rellinghauser Straße 1-11, 45128 Essen. If you have any questions with regard to the processing of your personal data, you can contact the data protection officer of the Evonik Foundation directly. This officer is available to provide assistance with requests for information, and also with suggestions or complaints:

Evonik Stiftung, Datenschutzbeauftragter (Data Protection Officer), Rellinghauser Straße 1-11, 45128 Essen, Telephone +49 201 177-4326; e-mail: info@evonik-stiftung.de.

2. Which data categories do we process and where does the data originate from?

- Personal data: Contact data, data relating to your personal history such as studies, reference data, personal details on financing of your studies/living expenses.
- The personal data referred to above is collected directly from the relevant person.

3. We process your data for the following purposes and on the following legal basis

We process personal data in accordance with the provisions of the European General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and the Federal Data Protection Act (new):

- a) For performance of contracts. Art. 6 para. 1 b GDPR.
- b) For fulfillment of diverse legal requirements (such as tax laws, accounting based on legal provisions) (Art. 6 para. 1 c GDPR). The processing purposes include also the

fulfillment of inspection, reporting and documentation obligations in accordance with tax law. In addition, the disclosure of personal data may be required in the framework of official/judicial measures for the purposes of collecting evidence, prosecution, or enforcement of civil claims

c) For safeguarding of justified interests of ourselves or third parties (Art. 6 para. 1 f GDPR). Examples of such cases include: Measures to control and optimize business processes, safeguarding and leveraging development potential.

4. Who has access to your data?

Within the foundation, the persons who have access to your data are organizational units or persons who require the data to fulfill our contractual and legal obligations, or who require the data for implementation of our legitimate interests.

With regard to data transfer to recipients outside the Evonik Foundation, it should be noted that we transfer only the necessary personal data in compliance with the applicable regulations on data protection.

Subject to these conditions, recipients of personal data may include:

- IT service providers (provision/support/maintenance of computing/IT applications, hosting, archiving)
- Public authorities and institutions (e.g. tax authorities, law enforcement agencies, courts) where there is a legal obligation
- Evonik Industries AG / Financial Services (for handling payment transactions via credit institutions)/ Corporate Legal (for contract review and documentation)/ Corporate Taxes (for contract review)/ Corporate Board Office / Corporate Social Commitment / Corporate Communication / Corporate Innovation / Corporate Audit/ consultants of the Evonik Foundation / mentors of the scholarship recipients of the Evonik Foundation / banking institutions
- Auditors (audit assignment), notary offices and law firms, assessors
- Hotels (scholarship travel), conference organizers.

All service providers and judicial organs are obliged to handle your data confidentially.

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5. Is data transferred to a third country or to an international organization?

Your data is processed within the Evonik group of companies. We shall not transfer your data to any international organization.

6. For how long is your data stored?

We process your personal data as long as this is necessary for the fulfillment of our contractual and legal obligations, otherwise this data is deleted regularly.

Exceptions:

- Fulfillment of legal retention obligations that may arise, for example, from:
German Commercial Code (HGB), Fiscal Code (AO)
- Preservation of evidence within the framework of statutory limitation periods. In accordance with Sections 195 et seq. of the German Civil Code (BGB), these limitation periods may be up to 30 years, although the regular limitation period is 3 years.

If the data processing takes place in the legitimate interest of ourselves or of a third party, the personal data will be deleted as soon as this interest no longer exists.

7. What are your data protection rights?

Each data subject shall have access to their personal data in accordance with article 15 GDPR, the right to rectification in accordance with article 16 GDPR, the right to erasure in accordance with article 17 GDPR, the right to restriction of processing in accordance with article 18 GDPR, the right to object to processing of their personal data in accordance with article 21 GDPR, and the right to data portability in accordance with article 20 GDPR.

In the case of the right to access and the right to deletion, the restrictions in accordance with Sections 34 and 35 Federal Data Protection Act (new) apply.

The data subject has also the right to lodge a complaint with a supervisory data protection authority (article 77 GDPR in conjunction with Section 19 Federal Data Protection Act (new)).

You can find a list of the supervisory authorities (for the non-public area) with addresses

e.g. at: https://www.bfdi.bund.de/DE/Infothek/Anschriften_Links/anschriften_links-node.html

8. To what extent is there automated decision making?

For establishment and implementation of the business relationship, we do not use automated decision making in accordance with article 22 GDPR.

9. Is profiling used?

We do not process your personal data with the objective of evaluating specific personal aspects (profiling).

10. Information about your right to object

You have the right to object, on grounds relating to your particular situation, at any time to processing of personal data concerning you, which is based on article 6 para. 1 f GDPR (data processing on the basis of a balancing of interests).

If you object, we will cease processing of your personal data unless we can provide compelling and legitimate reasons for the processing, which override your interests, rights or freedoms, or for the establishment, exercise or defense of legal claims.

You can register your objection informally with the subject "Objection". You should state your name, your address, and your date of birth and send the letter to: Evonik Stiftung, Rellinghauser Straße 1-11, 45128 Essen