Options for additional funding during the PhD period

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About KHYS

► Founded in 2007 in the context of the “Initiative for Excellence”
► Central service unit

► Main target groups
   ► Doctoral researchers
   ► Postdocs
   ► Those interested in doing a doctorate at KIT

► Objectives
   ► Support and advice of young KIT scientists
   ► Internationalization and interdisciplinary networking
   ► Quality assurance of the PhD conditions at KIT
   ► Identifying future trends in support of young scientists
Elements of the doctoral research phase

**Document results** (publications, patents)

► For patents etc. contact the [KIT Innovation Department](#)

► The [KIT Library](#) offers different publication services
  ► KIT Scientific Publishing
  ► KIT Publication Fund
  ► KIT Scientific Working Papers

► **Printing subsidies** available from external sources:
  ► [FAZIT-STIFTUNG](#) (for the printing of the dissertation)
  ► [Verwertungsgesellschaft Wort](#)
Elements of the doctoral research phase

Participation in conferences (poster presentation/lecture)

► **KIT PhD Symposium** (fall 2016): organized by doctoral researchers; conceived as an English-language training platform for scientific presentations

► Funding from **external sources** for conference trips/travel expense allowances:
  
  ► **DAAD** – Conference travel and lecture tours
    → application at least 4 months before the conference!
  
  ► **FAZIT-STIFTUNG** – Travel expense allowances

Enrolling at KIT (optional)
Elements of the doctoral research phase

Interdisciplinary further education and career development

► KHYS offers over **40 different further education courses** a year (together with its partners HoC, PEBA, RSM, SPZ)
  ► Presentation skills, teaching skills, management skills etc.
    ▶ Scientific Presentation
    ▶ Project Management in Research
    ▶ Promotionscoaching - Kollegiales Coaching für Promovierende
    ▶ Initiierung eines erfolgreichen EU-Projekts
    ▶ Publishing in scientific journals
  ► Partial grant for all KHYS members (participant pays a maximum of €20/day)

► **KHYS Foyergespräche:** talks with experts from practical fields about relevant topics (e.g. career options, work-life balance)

Continuing education in one’s field of research (e.g. summer schools, conferences, inhouse seminars)
Elements of the doctoral research phase

Networking and establishing contacts with the scientific community and/or representatives from industry

► **KIT PhD Days**: networking platform for doctoral researchers
► **KHYS measures**: Research Travel Grant, Networking Grant, Internationalization Program
► Funding from **external sources** for research stays abroad and international networking:
  ► DAAD — [one-year or short-time scholarships](#) for doctoral researchers
  ► German-American Fulbright Commission — [program for doctoral researchers](#)
  ► Landesstiftung Baden-Württemberg — [Baden-Württemberg scholarship](#)
  ► Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes — [ERP Scholarship Program](#)
KHYS Research Travel Grant

Objective
► Research stay abroad
► 3-6 months

Target group
► Doctoral researchers
► Postdocs

Type of funding
► Financial support (travel and living expenses)

Requirements
► Continued employment by the KIT institute/work group during the stay abroad
► Project must not be identical with PhD project
Objective

► Extension of professional network

Target group

► Doctoral researchers

Type of funding

► Travel expenses grant (maximum of €1,500)
► Introductory workshop, closing workshop

Requirements

► International contact
► Contact must be new for the doctoral researcher and his or her working group
KHYS Internationalization Program

Aspirant Grant
- One-month stay at KIT for a foreign graduate to sound out options for a doctoral project
- KIT doctoral researcher support the guest as a “buddy”

Internship Grant
- KIT doctoral researcher takes on a foreign student as an intern for 3 months

International Collaboration Package
- Modular funding scheme with a focus on the mobility and networking of doctoral researchers and sustainably establish these
- **Module 3:** Short term stays of KIT doctoral researchers at the cooperation partner (2-6 weeks)
Doctoral dissertation awards

► **KIT Doctoral Award** (1st prize: €2,000; 2nd prize: €1,000; 3rd prize: €500) – outstanding KIT dissertations

► **Helmholtz Doctoral Prize** (6 x €5,000) – outstanding dissertations

► **Bertha Benz Award**, Daimler and Benz Foundation (€10,000) – outstanding, application-oriented dissertation by a **female** engineer

► **Environmental Award**, Friedrich and Elisabeth Boysen Foundation (€5,000) – outstanding KIT dissertation in the field of environmental protection technology

► **German Thesis Award** (**Deutscher Studienpreis**), Körber Foundation (3 x €25,000, 6 x €5,000) – outstanding dissertations of social importance
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