

# Options for additional funding during the PhD period

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# About KHYS

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- ▶ 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

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## 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

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## 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)

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## 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

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**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

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## 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



# KHYS Networking Grant

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## Objective

- ▶ Extension of professional network

## Target group

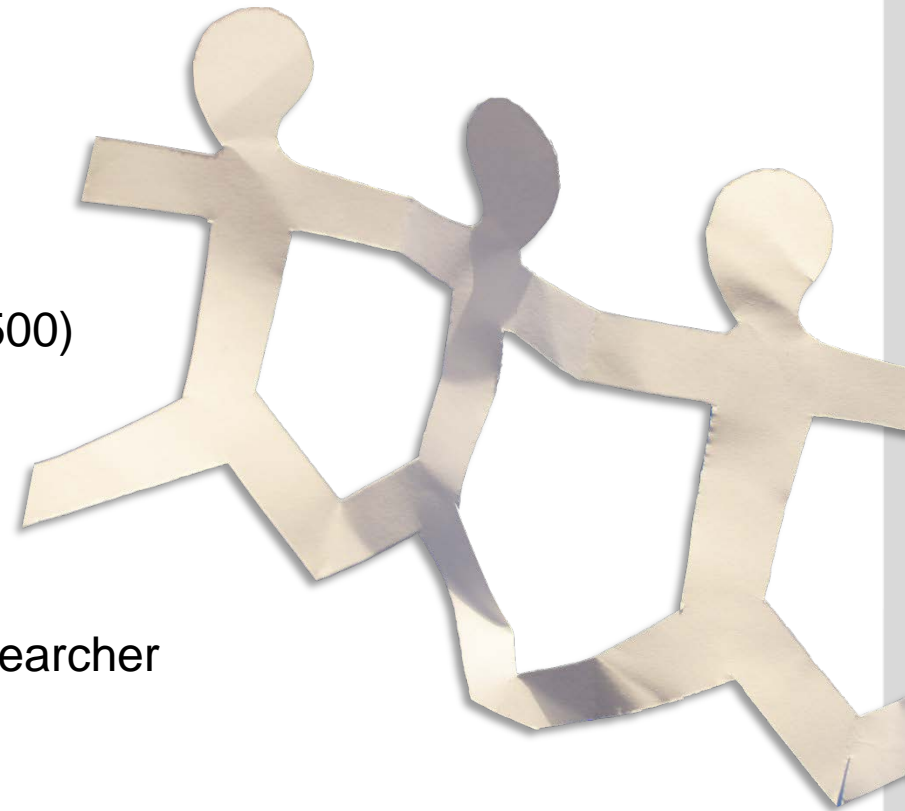
- ▶ Doctoral researchers

## 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

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## 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”

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## Internship Grant

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

DAAD

Deutscher Akademischer Austausch Dienst  
German Academic Exchange Service

## 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

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- ▶ KIT Doctoral Award (1<sup>st</sup> prize: €2,000; 2<sup>nd</sup> prize: €1,000; 3<sup>rd</sup> 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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