

# NEWSLETTER FOR DOCTORAL CANDIDATES AND POSTDOCS

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Dear doctoral candidates and postdocs,

the Jenny Aloni Centre for Early Career Researchers celebrates its 3<sup>rd</sup> anniversary this year! Now we would like to know your opinion: what's going well and what could be improved? **Send us your feedback >>here<<!** You can do the survey until 12 March.

The next **PhD Lunch** will focus on "Dealing with crises during your doctorate". We meet on **4 March** at **11.30 am** in the **Mensula** to talk over lunch about whether you ever experienced feelings of crisis or failing on your doctoral journey so far, how you overcame these, and what kind of support you would like. We are looking forward to seeing you there, no registration required.

If you are new to Paderborn University and want to connect, join us for one of our **peer coaching** programmes. The next programme to start is **"Starting Your PhD"** on 11 March. [Registration is now open](#). If you are already an advanced doctoral candidate, there is also the open peer coaching format **"Doing Your PhD in Germany."** Once a month we come together to discuss challenges you may currently be facing in your academic or professional lives as international researchers at Paderborn University. Whether you join every month or just once, you're welcome!

Furthermore, there are lots of other exciting **interdisciplinary courses and events** for you, offered by the Academic Career Development Office, University Didactics and the Language Centre.

And last but not least, there are currently two **funding calls** that may be of interest to you. You can find the links at the end of the newsletter.

Kind regards from the Jenny Aloni Centre for Early Career Researchers

Alexandra & Henriette

## CURRENT COURSES & EVENTS

Date	Title
03.03.2025	<a href="#">Intensive German Language Week – complete Level A2.1 and go for A2.2</a>
04.03.2025	<a href="#">Doing Your PhD in Germany</a>
04.03.2025	<a href="#">PhD Lunch: Dealing with crises during the doctorate</a>
11.03.2025	<a href="#">Peer Coaching „Starting your PhD“</a>
17.03.2025	<a href="#">Design for How People Learn: Academic Teaching in Higher Education</a>
17.03.2025	<a href="#">Unlocking New Opportunities: How AI Can Improve Your Grant Writing Habits</a>
31.03.2025	<a href="#">Engaging students through humor in the classroom</a>

➔ [To the complete qualification programme](#)

## CURRENT CALLS

Deadline	Call	Target group(s)
10.03.2025	<b>Procope-Mobilität: Funding for research stays in France</b> The Procope Mobility scholarship programme provides funding for a 1 to 3-month research stay in France between May and December. In addition to the regular funding programme, early career researchers at Paderborn University also have the opportunity to receive funding for a research stay at the University of Le Mans as part of the COLOURS alliance. If you are interested, please contact the COLOURS Implementation Office at UPB ( <a href="mailto:implementation.colours@uni-paderborn.de">implementation.colours@uni-paderborn.de</a> ) or at Université Le Mans ( <a href="mailto:colours@univ-lemans.fr">colours@univ-lemans.fr</a> ).	Doctoral candidates & postdocs
15.03.2025	<b>Funding for Franco-German research events</b> The Deutsch-Französische Hochschule (Franco-German University) supports events for early career researchers (doctoral candidates or postdocs) lasting from 2 days to a maximum of 4 weeks.	Doctoral candidates & postdocs
31.03.2025	<b>German Study Prize</b> (for dissertations) Are you convinced that your dissertation will have an impact on society? Are you able to clearly explain the social significance of your dissertation project in a short text? Have you completed your dissertation with magna or summa cum laude in 2024? Then apply for the German Academic Award. Prize money of up to €25,000 awaits you.  ➔ <i>If you are interested in submitting an application, the <a href="#">Research Department</a> will be happy to advise you. Further funding calls can be found in the <a href="#">FIT newsletter</a>.</i>	Doctoral candidates

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