

## Call for Applications



### HWK Postdoc Program 2025 – Associate Junior Fellowships

**Deadline: 28. February 2025 – Start of Fellowship: 1. July 2025**

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The Hanse-Wissenschaftskolleg (HWK) is an Institute for Advanced Study at Delmenhorst. As an independent foundation of the Federal States of Bremen and Lower-Saxony and the city of Delmenhorst, the HWK hosts Fellowships and organizes conferences to support excellent research, partly in collaboration with regional research institutions.

The HWK promotes early career researchers (postdocs, Junior Professors) within the framework of its Postdoc Program. Members receive the status of Associate Junior Fellows for three years. These Fellowships are non-resident, i.e. Associate Junior Fellows continue to work on their respective research project and remain employed by their home institution. Members of the program are part of the HWK Fellow community and are entitled to participate in all kinds of events at the institute. In particular, the academic networks of Associate Junior Fellows and their visibility are promoted by an individual workshop/ symposium during the Fellowship. That event is conceived and organized by each Associate Junior Fellow; the HWK provides financial and infrastructure support.

#### Benefits:

- status as HWK Associate Junior Fellow (non-resident member of the HWK Fellowship community) for a period of three years
- organization of your own workshop/ symposium with relevant national and international speakers and participants; HWK provides financial support and infrastructure (rooms, organization of catering and accommodation, technical support etc.)
- specific events for current and former Associate Junior Fellows (e.g., talks/ discussions with outstanding personalities from academia, arts, politics; skill workshops; meetings with HWK Fellows in residence)
- presentation of your current research project in a Fellow Lecture for resident Fellows and staff members
- integration into the institute's networks of Fellows and Alumni, as well as of regional, national, and international partners
- entitlement to participate in HWK events (e.g., Fellow Lectures, workshops, public events, receptions)
- strategic support with your career planning and networking by HWK staff

#### Requirements

- applicants must be current postdocs or Junior Professors at the University of Bremen, University of Oldenburg, Jacobs University or at one of the extra-university academic institutions of the northwest region (any research field).
- outstanding CV and publication record
- clear idea of a workshop/ symposium to promote your visibility and academic networks
- willingness for interdisciplinary communication and for participating in HWK events

## **Application Procedure:**

*Material to be submitted in English – as one (!) PDF:*

- 1) Cover Letter to the Rector of the HWK
- 2) Current CV with publication list
- 3) Certificates of academic degrees (e.g. only Bachelor/ Master/ Diploma/ PhD; no other certificates please)
- 4) Concept of the workshop (general background/research field, topic of the workshop, prospective personal benefit from the workshop) – maximum 2 pages
- 5) List of potential speakers to be invited (name, institution, topic covered in the talk)  
HWK-funding is sufficient for a 1,5 to 2-day workshop with about 1-2 speakers travelling from overseas, 3-5 from Europe, and 5-8 from Germany (depending on total travel costs; Fellows are responsible for applying for additional funding, e.g. from DFG or other organizations, in case total costs exceed HWK-funding).
- 6) Abstract of the workshop project (max. 1500 characters including blanks!)

*And:*

Two letters of reference in English to be sent *directly* to the HWK by the referees (electronic submission by email to [dpoggel@hanse-ias.de](mailto:dpoggel@hanse-ias.de) as a *PDF with institution's letterhead and signature of the referee*).

*Submission:*

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Submission only by email as **one (!) PDF** to Dr. Dorothe Poggel: [dpoggel@hanse-ias.de](mailto:dpoggel@hanse-ias.de)

*Evaluation:*

Applications are evaluated in the spring meeting of the interdisciplinary HWK Scientific Advisory Board and subsequently by the Rector of the HWK. Successful candidates will be notified shortly after the meeting. The Fellowships start on 1. July 2025.