

KiTE – Kiel Training for Excellence

funded within the COFUND-Programme of the Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) is a career development programme for excellent postdoctoral researchers from all over the world offering funding for up to

7 postdoc positions at Kiel University, Germany

The call is open until March 31, 2024

The open-topic call invites submission of project ideas from postdoctoral researchers who

- are interested in developing their own research profile and in forming a clear idea about their future career perspectives in the academic or non-academic sectors
- are ready to commit themselves to an extensive training programme in research and career development including two secondments and summer schools

Your project should be linked to research conducted within one of the four Priority Research Areas (PRAs) at Kiel University

- Kiel Life Science (KLS)
- Kiel Marine Science (KMS)
- Kiel Nano, Surface and Interface Science (KiNSIS)
- Societal, Environmental and Cultural Change (SECC)

Are you interested in working on your own research project in a truly interdisciplinary environment and boosting your career prospects in the academic, private and public sector?

We seek: Your original ideas!

We offer: A 36-month full-time employment contract with full social security coverage as well as a monthly research allowance of € 500 to advance your own research agenda. Following MSCA standards, the annual pay package, which includes all mandatory employer's and employee's tax and social security contributions, will be € 67,000 / € 75,000 depending on personal circumstances

Who can apply: Excellent postdoctoral researchers of any nationality who at the deadline of the KiTE call have no more than four years of research experience after completing their doctorate, and who comply with the MSCA mobility rule*

* Candidates may not have resided or carried out their main activity in Germany for more than 12 months in the three years before the closing date of the call

How to apply: Candidates have to identify potential mentors willing to host their project who must be contacted ahead of proposal submission. Only proposals with a prospective mentor's written commitment will be considered. Application documents (on templates provided): Application form * Proposal submission form * CV * Ethics assessment * PhD certificate, translated into English, if applicable

Selection procedure: Two-step merit-based, gender-fair and transparent online selection procedure. **Step 1:** External peer review of the written proposals; **Step 2:** Project presentation and interview. **Evaluation criteria:** Excellence of the applicant and the proposed project (50%), impact of the project (30%) and quality and efficiency of the implementation (20%)

Submission (English only!) and further information: www.uni-kiel.de/en/kite

Timeline

March 31, 2024, 23:59 CEST	Call closing
April – June 2024	Selection step 1: Evaluation of written proposals
July 2024	Selection step 2: Project presentation and interview
July – August 2024	Funding decision
September – November 2024	Fellows' projects start

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