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Gateway Fellowship Application Form

Applicant Information

Personal information

Surname	
First Name	
Gender	◯ female ◯ male ◯ diverse
Faculty	
Institute (if applicable)	
Chair / Working Group / Team (if applicable)	
University Address (Room)	
Phone (if applicable)	
Email	

Doctoral / Ph.D. project information

Title	
Supervisor no. 1	
Supervisor No 2	
Date of Submission (dd.mm.yyyy)	
Estimate Day of Defense(dd.mm.yyyy)	
Grade (if applicable)	

Summary (max 2800 characters)**
(Summarize goals, methods,and results of your thesis and emphasize the impact of your results within your field. RS PLUS has the mission to make science accessible to the public. Therefore, you should take it as a challenge of scientific communication to make this part of your application understandable for experts and non-experts alike.)

Scientific and international profile

Education
(Indicate your fields of study, places of study, and your grades (bachelor, master, diploma etc.)

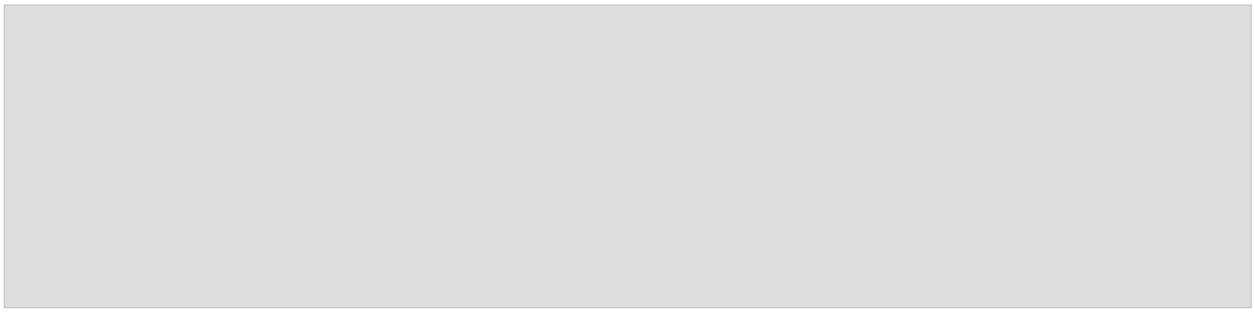
Publications

Conference contributions
(talks and posters)

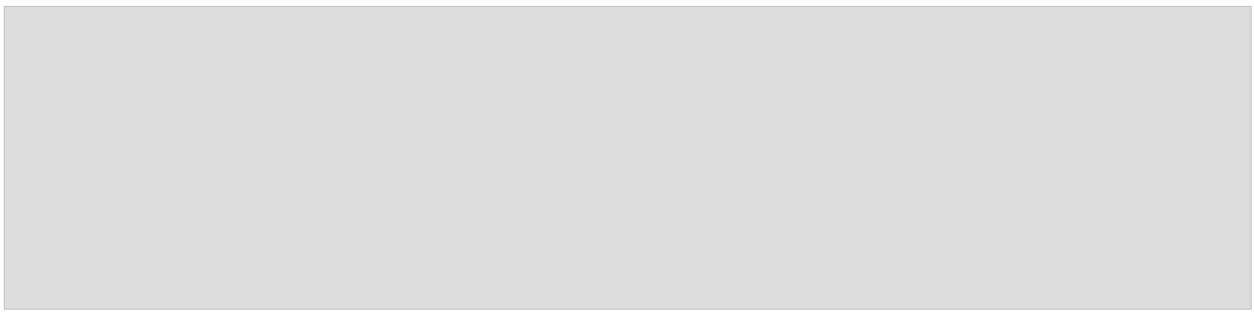
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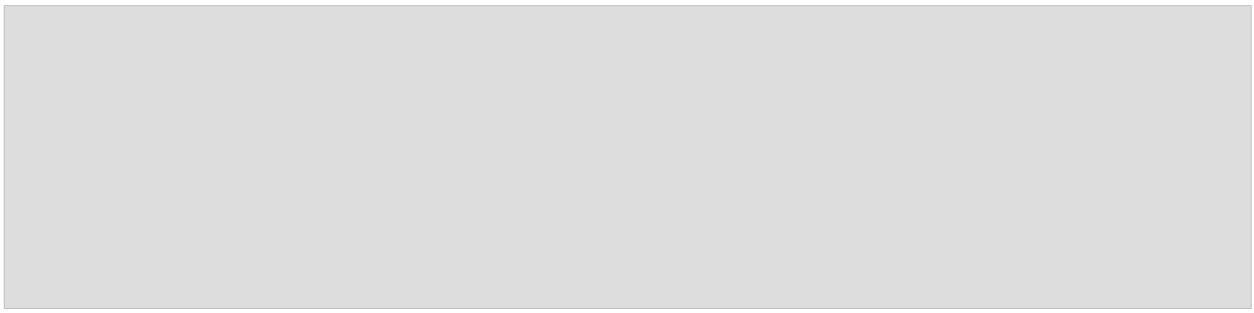
Teaching and Supervision Experience



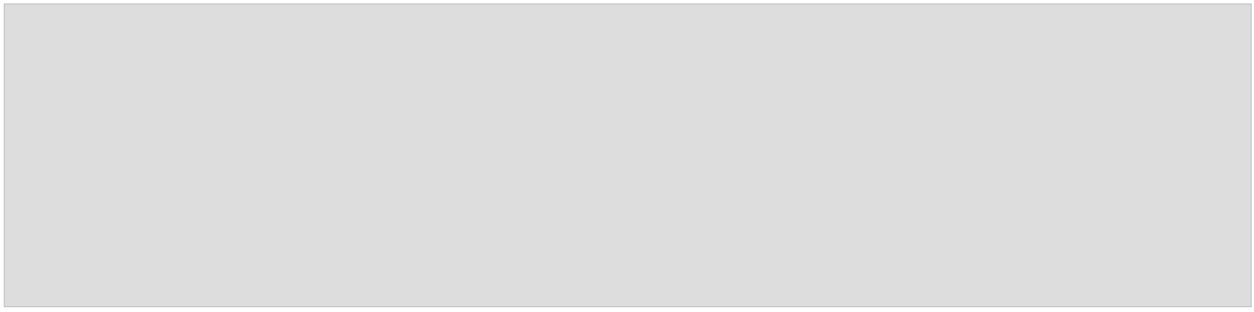
Research stays & international collaborations



Awards & Grands



Other achievments & distinctions



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Gateway Project

Project title

Beginning (dd.mm.yyyy)	
End (dd.mm.yyyy)	
Collaboration partner (name, host institution, country)	

Abstract (max. 2100 characters)**
(Please give a short overview of your project by considering goals, content and importance. RS PLUS has the mission to make science accessible tothe public. Therefore, youshould take it as a challenge of scientific communicationto make this part of your application understandable for experts and non-experts alike.)

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Gateway Project

State of the art & goals (max. 4200 characters)**
(Put your gateway project in relation to the stateof the art research field. Please explain how your goals evolved and highlight originality, actuality and importance of your project. Explain the relation of the project to your previous research. Note: The GF is not intended to fund incremental continuation or completion of your previous work.)

Detailed work plan (max. 6300 characters)**
(Describe how you want to achieve your above-mentioned goals (methods etc.))

Propose criteria for your GF projects success (max. 1500 characters)**

Reputation of collaboration partners and fitting to the project (max. 1500 characters)**
(Indicate the standing of yourcollaboration partner(s) within your research area. Explain the importance of your partner in correlation to the project and your ongoing postdoc career.)

Impact of the Gateway Fellowship on your future (max. 1500 characters)**
(Explain the benefits of the Gateway Fellowship for your international network and give an outlook on your career plans beyond the scope of the GF funding. How would the GF help you to implement your next career steps (e.g. grant application for a longer postdoc project)?)

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Impact of project on RUB (max. 1500 characters)**
(The intention of the GF is to pave the way for an international Postdoc phase beyond RUB. Describe potential opportunities for international networking with RUB researchers through your project at the host institution and how you could contribute to RUB's international visibility (ambassador role).)

Additonal Funding

Other funding fo your project?
(In case of basic or additional funding (third party or employment), indicate the costs already covered. Indicate whether your collaboration partner is supporting your project financially)

Amount in Euro

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Reviewers

Suggest two experienced researchers (professors) at the RUB, and two external researchers at either national or international institutions, assuitable independent expert reviewers of your application. These researchers cannot be collaboration partners of previous projects or your suggested Gateway project, neither can they be your PhD supervisors.

NOTE: You do not need to contact reviewers in advance!

Internal (RUB)

Name 1	
Faculty	
Name 2	
Faculty	

External

Name 1	
University / institution, contact information	
Name 2	
University / institution, contact information	

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Use of AI

Information on the use of AI tools in this application

Please indicate whether and in what form you have used AI tools to ensure transparency and traceability in the review process in accordance with the 'Rules of Good Scientific Practice'. As AI tools can inaccurately alter content or distort contexts, we ask that you review all AI-generated results responsibly and carefully.

The use of AI tools is not an evaluation criterion in the review process and does not influence the funding decision.

Use of AI tools

I did not use any AI tools in preparing the application. ☐

I used AI tools for content and language support. ☐

In accordance with the guidelines on the use of AI tools in applications, any use of such tools for the scientific content of your application must be disclosed.

AI tool(s) used

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Attachments

Please attach (Only PDF, max 1MB. each)

- (Preliminary) doctoral certificate, OR, submission certificate, OR, confirmation of thesis submission prior to the colloquium
- A list of references/literature, that you used to write the application/project description.
- 1st Letter of Recommendation

  PLEASE NOTE: The first letter of recommendation has to be written by your first supervisor (or your former supervisor if you have already completed your doctorate).
- 2nd Letter of Recommendation
- Invitation Letter
- Document for illustration of research

  If you would like to illustrate your research in the application with charts, schematics or figures, please assemble these illustrations in one document (not more than 2 pages). Please upload this document as PDF file.

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Statement

I certify that the information provided in this application is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I am aware that false answers, whether intentional or the result of negligence, are illegal and that their discovery will lead to the revocation of my funding. Furthermore, I agree to inform the Research School immediately of any changes or amendments. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

The application and accompanying documents will remain with the Research School. Personal data will be stored in the computer files only to the extent necessary for the administration of applications in compliance with the "Datenschutzgesetz Grundverordnung".

I have noticed that third parties will have access to my application in the context of the review process. I have read the notification about storage of personal data. I accept responsibility for the completeness of my application and agree that this application and accompanying documents shall remain with the Research School.

I have read and accept the information provided on the Research School website on funding and restrictions to additional income during the Gateway Fellowship.

Date	**Signature**

Informationen about submitting process:

Please save the completed form on your PC.

Send the form with all required documents attached as single PDF to:

nicolas.lindner@rs.rub.de

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