

Max Buchner Research Foundation

Funding Guidelines

The Max Buchner Research Foundation, established in 1936 in memory of the founder of DECHEMA, is a technical-scientific foundation recognised as a non-profit organisation. It is administered on an honorary basis by DECHEMA Gesellschaft für Chemische Technik und Biotechnologie e.V., Frankfurt am Main, Germany.

- 1.** Travel grants are awarded for the presentation of scientific and technical research work at scientific forums, congresses, symposia, conferences and other specialist events in the fields of chemical engineering, process engineering, biotechnology and related research areas, in accordance with the areas of work of the DECHEMA committees (<https://dechema.de/en/gremien.html>), in particular if DECHEMA Gesellschaft für Chemische Technik und Biotechnologie e.V. was involved in the scientific organisation of the event. The event must either take place in Germany or the applicant must have his/her place of work in Germany. The grants are intended to enable young scientists to participate in relevant events and to promote exchange with the community as well as the presentation of their own current research work.
- 2.** Researchers at universities and non-university research institutions are eligible to apply for up to eight years after the end of their doctorate. This period can be extended to up to ten years if parental leave has been taken.
- 3.** The application must be submitted by the applicant in writing using the online form provided for this purpose. The online form must be completed in full. The application can be submitted in German or English.
- 4.** The grants are awarded by the office of DECHEMA Gesellschaft für Chemische Technik und Biotechnologie e.V. on the basis of these funding guidelines, which are specified by the Administrative Committee of the Foundation. The Administrative Committee authorises the allocation of funds and verifies that the funds from the Foundation are used in accordance with the statutes. There is no entitlement to funding. When awarding the grants, attention is paid to a balanced distribution with regard to the beneficiary institutions and the events for which travel scholarships are awarded. If the number of applications exceeds the number of scholarships available, priority will be given to participation in events organised by DECHEMA e.V.. A maximum of 1 grant per person and calendar year will be funded.
- 5.** The authorisation is personal. The approved funds may only be used for the event for which the application was submitted.
- 6.** The disbursement of the funding in the maximum amount of €500 (for events taking place within the country in which the applicant's place of work is located) or a maximum of €1,000 (for events taking place outside the country in which the applicant's place of work is located) will be made after the report has been sent (see 8.). Upon approval, the applicant will receive a binding confirmation of the amount up to which travel costs will be covered. The basis for this is the travel expense estimate submitted. Should changes occur during the realisation of the event that lead to a reduction in the costs incurred by the applicant compared to the figures stated in the travel expense estimate, only the actual travel expenses incurred will be reimbursed.
- 7.** The applicant confirms receipt of the funding and its proper utilisation in accordance with the Foundation's intentions in text form.
- 8.** Reporting:
With the acceptance of Foundation funds, the funding recipient undertakes to prepare a short report (approx. 1,000 - 1,500 characters including spaces) within 8 weeks after the event, stating the event (name, date), his/her own contribution, a brief overview of the content and special features of the event and the knowledge gained, and to send it to DECHEMA Gesellschaft für Chemische Technik und Biotechnologie e.V.. The reports will be published on the Foundation's website and, if applicable, in DECHEMA e.V. communication channels.
- 9.** The submission of several applications in one quarter of a calendar year by one applicant is excluded.

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