Call for proposal for young scientists (Call No. 8)

Research funds for the German Sport University (GSU)

Aim of the grant
Call No. 8 is part of the research funding schemes of the German Sport University Cologne (GSU) and supports especially female scientists during their PhD and postdoc phase. Therefore, the German Sports University Cologne promotes innovative research ideas with relevance for basic research and/or applied sciences in the field of sport sciences. Unique modules of a bottom-up research project as well as small projects or publication projects are possible.

Financial modalities
Proposals with a funding up to 7,500 € will be accepted. Funding from the university's internal research funding can be the only source of funding for the respective project, but it can also be used as partial funding. In this case, information on other sources of funding is important. The grant can be spent on financing of personnel costs and equipment. Travel costs will not be covered. Projects will be approved for a period of twelve months. An award will be made if the university budget allows its implementation and if the university has enough resources in the award year.

Application process
Female scientists who have an employment contract at the German Sport University Cologne for the entire funding period are eligible to apply. The application form must be used to submit the proposal.
Please note: If the formal requirements of the application form (page numbers, etc.) are not met, the application will not be accepted.
Proposals can be written in German or English. Complete application documents should be handed in electronically (via e-mail, max. 5 MB) as one pdf document to the Department of Research and Young Academics (forschung-dshs@dshs-koeln.de). Please state in the email subject line the call number (Call 1, 2, 3, 4, 5) for which you apply (e.g. Call 8 for this call).

Please note the current and long-term effects of the corona pandemic in your project and time planning, also with regard to flexible adaptation.

For questions regarding equality-related aspects please contact Dr. Bianca Biallias (biallas@dshs-koeln.de, tel.: -7111), for questions regarding formal aspects of the proposal, please contact Dr. Alexandra Pizzera (a.pizzera@dshs-koeln.de, Tel.: -7580).

Review process and approval
Reviewers with an equality-related background and a professional/subject-specific background will be involved in the review process. The final decision will be made by the equality commission. Core reviewing criteria are:
- Quality and feasibility of the work programme
- Relevance of the topic
- Individual-related aspects (e.g. previous research and teaching achievements, committee work, activities in self-government)

Approvals are estimated to be given in January 2022.

**Final report**
Results of the project should be handed in as a final report **six months after ending of the funding period**. In the case of an already submitted or published manuscript (highly ranked journal), a conference paper, a research concept or proposal, please also include these documents. The content-related aspects of the final report can then be less detailed.

**Deadline is October 3rd, 2021.**