To strengthen the scientific activities of the Helmholtz Centre for Infection Research (HZI), the Friends of the HZI award postdoctoral fellowships with a duration of 2 years. The aim is to recruit talented scientists from abroad to the centre.

Next closing date for applications: 30.10. 2023

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The submission should be made by the head of a working group or department at the HZI, which declares that it will take over the candidate and will grant him/her appropriate research opportunities. This includes workspace and equipment, access to infrastructures as well as means of consumption and travel.

In order to intensify the application of the programme, an international call for proposals will be published in relevant WEB portals. Interested candidates should get in contact to PIs of the HZI.

The application should comprise:

- CV and publication list of the post-doctoral applicant showing that the formal conditions have been met (cf. guideline) and that the required qualification is given.
- Project plan (approx. 1 page in English) including an explanation of when the scholarship is intended to begin.

Deviating from the first announcement, the conditions have been changed:

- The candidate must still be living abroad at the time of application and must not have been employed at the HZI (or partner institutions).
- Germans who have completed their doctorate abroad will be considered.
- Foreigners who have been in Germany for a long time or who have earned a doctorate in Germany will not be considered.
- If the doctorate has not yet been completed during the application period, it must be successfully completed within 3 months of the closing date for applications.

The selection will take place in December 2020. Selection criteria are the quality of the applicant and the planned project.

Successful applicants and their supervisors will be notified after the selection.

The scholarship can be started immediately afterwards. The start should take place at the latest three months after the notification.

The scholarship goes directly to the applicant and expires in the event of premature termination.

A significant change in the project plan is possible, but must be justified and approved by the Friends of the HZI.