

List of questions

for book donations' and equipment subsidies' applications by alumni who are not working in developing countries

Introduction

Particularly alumni from developing countries (current register of countries) are eligible to apply for donations of academic literature (including e-books) and scientific equipment to the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation. The sponsorship of material resources should make it possible for alumni to successfully continue the research started in Germany upon return to the home country. In this way, collaboration with academic hosts or other specialist colleagues in Germany should be sponsored in a sustainable way.

Applications by alumni from countries, which are not listed in the current register of countries, are possible in justified exceptional cases. Substantial additional criteria for this case-by-case examination are the economic development of the country, the financial situation of the respective institution as well as the reasons given by the applicant, why it is not possible to finance the books or the requested scientific equipment from other sources.

Questions

In addition to the required application documents, please answer the following questions in detail upon application:

- How has the funding for science and research developed in your country during the last 5 years and what kind of effects has this had especially on the research infrastructure?
- What kind of effects did these developments have on the financial situation of your home institute and which consequences did this have concretely on the facilities of your institute with academic literature / lab with scientific equipment?
- To what extent have you assessed alternative possibilities for the application for funding to obtain the needed literature / equipment from other funding agencies (national, European, etc.)? Why have you decided against an application to these agencies?

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