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Faculty of Forest Sciences and Forest Ecology
Competence Centre Landscape Resilience

Call for Applications

Innovation Pool Funds for an international workshop on landscape resilience in Göttingen

Funding Available: €20,000 to cover travel, workshop organisation, consumables (no salary)
Date of workshop: must take place in 2027
Application Deadline: 31st January 2027, 12:00 (midday)

Program overview

The Competence Centre Landscape Resilience invites proposals for the organisation of an international scientific workshop to be held in Göttingen. The programme aims to strengthen the international visibility of research on landscape resilience, foster excellent collaborative research, and contribute to the development of a long-term global network in this field.

The workshop is expected to address cutting-edge topics in landscape resilience, including theoretical, methodological or applied perspectives, and to bring together leading and emerging scientists from different countries and disciplines. Proposals should demonstrate clear scientific objectives, an innovative agenda, and the potential to generate follow-up collaborations (e.g. joint publications, proposals, or research initiatives).

The workshop programme is part of a wider internationalisation strategy of the Competence Centre Landscape Resilience that includes short-term scientific missions for researchers based in Göttingen to conduct research stays abroad, as well as incoming fellowships for international scientists visiting Göttingen. In 2030, a large international conference in Göttingen will synthesise the outcomes, networks and synergies generated by this internationalisation programme.

Eligible applicants are researchers at universities or research institutions worldwide who are willing to coordinate and host a workshop in Göttingen in cooperation with the Competence Centre Landscape Resilience and at least three researchers that are based in Göttingen.

Application Requirements

Proposals should include: (1) title and abstract; (2) scientific background and objectives; (3) preliminary programme and format; (4) envisaged participants and their roles (including at least three Göttingen-based researchers in relevant fields); (5) expected outputs and impact; (6) requested budget and justification.

Please note that the workshop has to take place in 2027.

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How to apply and deadline

Proposals should be submitted using the corresponding templates provided on the website of the Competence Centre website of the Competence Centre (please use the Excel spreadsheet for the budget calculation).

Send the application including the budget calculation sheet **in one pdf to landscape.resilience@forst.uni-goettingen.de**

DEADLINE: 31st January 2027, 12:00 (midday).

Questions on the funding programme? Follow this link to our FAQ page.

Evaluation Criteria

Proposals will be assessed according to the following criteria:

1. Scientific quality and originality
   – Clarity and relevance of the research questions in the field of landscape resilience.
   – Originality and innovation of the workshop theme, objectives and proposed format.

2. Fit with the programme and strategic relevance
   – Contribution to advancing research on landscape resilience and to the objectives of the Competence Centre Landscape Resilience.
   – Potential to initiate or strengthen long-term international collaborations and networks.

3. Quality of concept and feasibility
   – Coherence of the workshop concept, structure and methods (programme, formats, invited contributions).
   – Realistic planning of timeline, budget and organisational setup; feasibility of implementation in Göttingen.

4. Composition of the team and participants
   – Scientific standing and expertise of the applicants and key participants.
   – Involvement of at least three Göttingen-based researchers working in relevant fields, and a well-balanced, international and interdisciplinary group of participants.

5. Impact, dissemination and sustainability
   – Expected scientific outputs (e.g. joint publications, follow-up proposals, new research initiatives).
   – Plans for dissemination and for linking workshop outcomes to the final international conference in Göttingen and to the broader activities of the Competence Centre Landscape Resilience.

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