

About JQYA

The JQYA is an independent academy within Goethe University, which supports outstanding scientists at the beginning of their scientific independence and during their professional qualification.

Intending to inspire researchers with already established international reputations to join the academy, the JQYA provides a platform for intellectual exchange and critical discussion, as well as freedom for academic research and diverse opportunities to develop and contour a unique scientific profile.

Our academy program and the flexible and tailored support lines facilitate intellectual, interdisciplinary exchange and provide Fellows with the academic freedom to pursue highly successful academic careers.

The benefits include (I) insight into research approaches across disciplines, (II) greater awareness of the integration of individual research into a larger research context, and (III) improved understanding of specific research questions through interdisciplinary debates. Our Fellows gain access to a dynamic environment that addresses challenges concerning science and society in the context of the academy topic and may inspire creative solutions with far-reaching scientific impact.

Academy Topic 2022/2023

For 2023, the JQYA decided to continue with the topic '**Connectivity. Networks. Flows.**' to address current issues in sciences, arts, and humanities. This topic opens the door to an interdisciplinary exchange highlighting the following scientific concepts:

- The parameters and elements of connectivity, i.e. the capability of being connective or connected, which is one of the key principles in a wide array of natural, social, and technological systems.
- The structure and function of networks, i.e. systems consisting of many similar parts that are connected to enable movement or circular communication between or along them or with a control centre.
- The emergence and relevance of flows, i.e. the continuous and easy movement, which creates unique trajectories.

Call for Fellows

We invite applications of early career researchers from Goethe University, the RMU Alliance, and partner institutions, who are interested in the academy topic "Connectivity. Networks. Flows.", and who would like to join our interdisciplinary debates.

Applications will be accepted until 15.11.2022

Fellow Status

Early career researchers can apply as **JQYA Fellows** or as **Associated Fellows**.

Through their participation in the academy program, Fellows shape the inner core of the academy for a period of 3 years. They have access to the Scientific Development support line (please see below).

Associated Fellows are eligible for Goethe University's R3 Career Support – infrastructure, Open Access, and International Liaison Fellowships (special call for applications, twice a year).

JQYA Fellows are additionally eligible for either a Sabbatical Fellowship or an Academy Fellowship.

Support Lines

The **Scientific Development line**, open to all JQYA Fellows and Associated Fellows:

- Advancement of professional qualification - courses, workshops, participation in external conferences and short research visits with cooperation partners
- Use of the JQYA platform to organize conferences and workshops on subjects related to the current academy topic

We do not allocate a fixed annual budget for each Fellow. Funds are distributed upon request.

Academy Fellowships - up to 6 p.a. - accessible to JQYA Fellows:

- Enforcement of international cooperation and research activities
- Implementation of own research projects

Both within the framework of the academy topic. Earmarked funding up to € 10,000.*

Sabbatical Fellowships - up to 3 p.a. - for JQYA Fellows of Goethe University only:

- Release from teaching obligations for up to one semester
- Freedom for scientific research

The funds cover the costs of teaching replacement only and up to € 32,000.*, and are not passed on to the Fellows. No exemption from duties relating to administrative or departmental management.*

* If you wish to apply for a fellowship, please indicate your motivation in your application for the Fellow status.

Application as JQYA Fellow

Criteria:

R3 researchers, i.e. advanced postdocs, independent group leaders, assistant professors of Goethe University and partner institutions

Documents:

- Cover letter
 - addressed to the JQYA directors,
 - specifying if an Academy Fellowship or a Sabbatical Fellowship is requested,
 - explaining how the requested Fellowship would advance the candidate's career
- CV, according to the DFG's new CV template
- List of publications and conference participations
- 2 reference letters, at least one of them international

Procedure:

Please send your application for the Fellow status in English as one PDF file to info@jqya.de

Application deadline: 15.11.2022

Evaluation:

Selection of Fellows - up to 10 p.a. - by the JQYA distinguished senior scientists, based on:

- Achievement and impact of the scientific research
- Well-stated link to the academy topic
- Personal motivation to participate in the program

Application as Associated Fellow

Criteria:

R3 researchers, i.e. advanced postdocs, independent group leaders, assistant professors of Goethe University and partner institutions

Documents:

- CV, according to the DFG's new CV template
- List of publications and conference participations
- Letter of motivation, addressed to the JQYA directors

Procedure:

Please send your application for the Associated Fellow status in English as one PDF file to info@jqya.de

Application deadline: 15.11.2022

Evaluation:

Selection of Associated Fellows by the JQYA directors, based on the personal motivation to participate in the program.

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