

? The application forms are written in english language: should the application be written in english or german?

The application can be written in the language you are preferring.

? Do I need to decide whether I should apply for the CNV foundation or for the LÓreal-Unesco Foundation? Are there different application forms ?

For both foundations the application forms are the same. Please use the forms provided on this webpage. The board of the CNV foundation assigns who is going to be funded by which foundation.

? Is it possible to apply from a foreign country?

Applications from abroad are welcome, however it is mandatory that you are doing your PhD or postdoc studies associated with a german university / institute.

? I´m already PhD student / postdoc since some years. From which timepoint on I´m too old to get funded?

Important is the age from which you have started your PhD studies / postdoc time. You should not be older than 28 years by starting your PhD thesis and not older than 32 years by beginning your postdoc time. If you would like to apply anyway, please explain your personal situation which has lead to the circumstance that you are older than the ages mentioned above.

? Is it possible to send documents / recommendations after the deadline?

Yes, up to one week later documents / recommendations are accepted.

? Is there another deadline than by the end of the year and can I apply later in the year when I have missed the deadline?

No, the only deadline for applications and prolongations is at the end of December each year. You are welcome to apply any time, however your application will be evaluated only by the end of the year.

? I´m working as a PhD student / postdoc, while my partner is taking care for the child(ren). Do I get funding?

Unfortunately not, as you are have already less stress if your partner does take care of the kid(s).

? Can I apply for a travel grant at the CNV foundation, if I would like to take the child(ren) with my on travel?

The foundation doesn´t award travel grants, however if you get funded, you can use the money for travels.

? Can I apply for a stipend for my scientific work at the CNV foundation?

You are eligible to apply only if you already have a valid contract at a university / institute.

? I´m already working on my habilitation / I already have a professorship? Will I get funded?

The foundation is funding PhD students and young postdocs exclusively.

? I have studied informatics / mathematics / arts? Can I apply?

The CNV foundation is funding experimentally working scientists only. Please refer to the application forms.

? I am a scientist, however I'm working on a theoretical project and can work from home. Will I get funded?

Only women, who need to be present daily at their working place can be awarded.

? I have applied already at the CNV foundation, without success, can I try again?

You are welcome to apply several times.

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