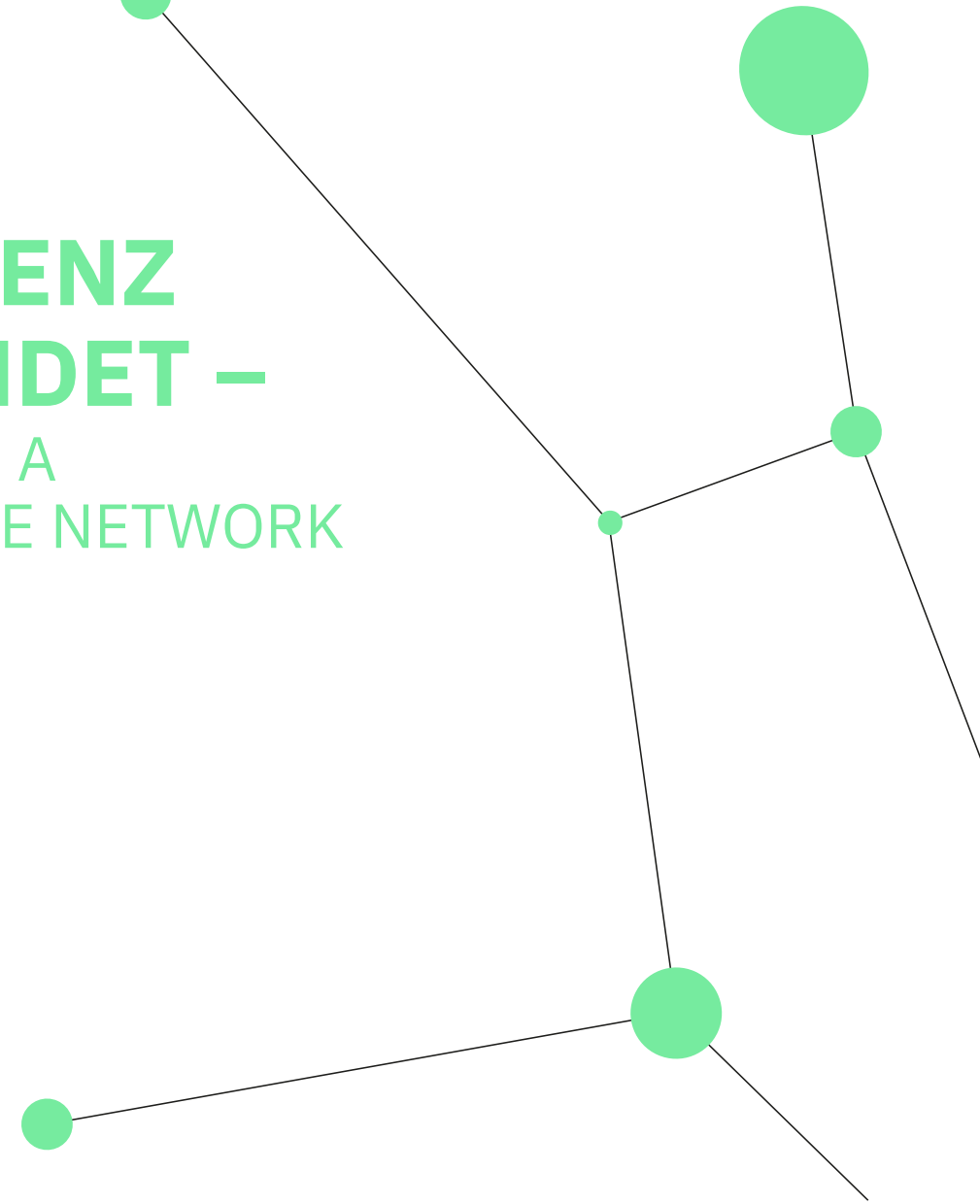




**EXZELLENZ
VERBINDET –**
BE PART OF A
WORLDWIDE NETWORK





Alexander von
HUMBOLDT
STIFTUNG

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WHAT WE DO

- Academic collaborations between excellent international and German researchers
- Sponsorship throughout lifetime
- A network of 30,000 alumni worldwide
- International understanding, diplomacy, scientific progress and development
- Internationalisation of Germany as a research location





WHAT WE DO

- Research fellowships and research awards for researchers from abroad
- Chosen research area with a host and collaborative partner in Germany
- Alexander von Humboldt Professorship: Germany's most valuable research award



WHAT WE DO

- Research fellowships for researchers from Germany
- Research as the guest of a member of the Humboldt network abroad



WHAT WE DO

- No quotas, neither for individual countries nor for specific academic disciplines
- The only thing that counts is the applicant's academic record.
- We support people, not projects.



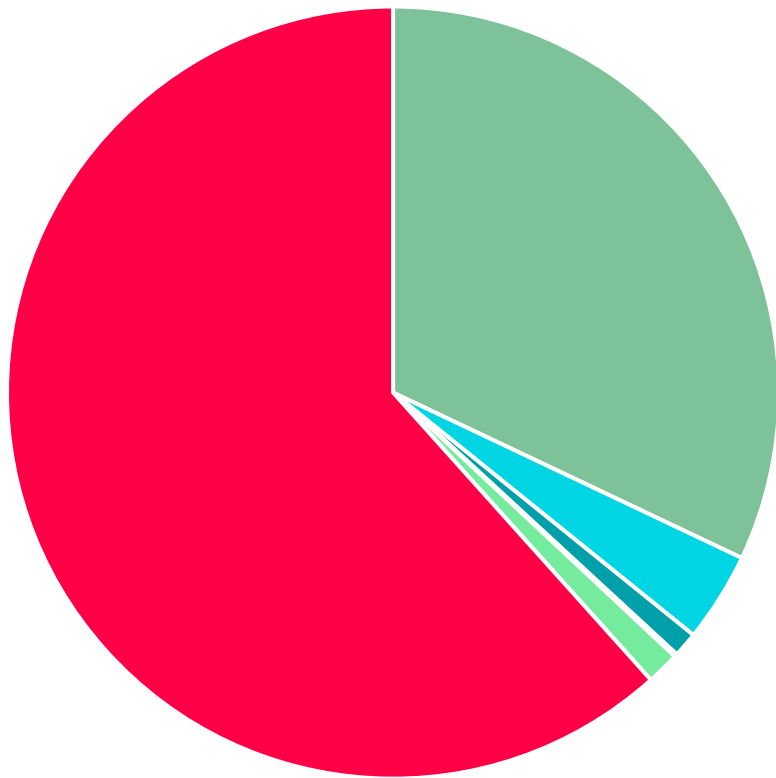
EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

- equal opportunities is an important issue for the Foundation
- fellowship extension or interruption, allowances to support childcare
- targeted counselling and provision of information



HUMBOLDT FOUNDATION FINANCING

Budget 2026*: approx. 165,0 mill. euros, 98 percent financed through federal funds



AA	32,0 %
BMZ	3,8 %
AA (IKI)	1,1 %
EU	0,1 %
Andere	1,4 %
BMFTR	61,6%

AA: Federal Foreign Office
BMFTR: Federal Ministry of Research, Technology and Space
BMZ: Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development
IKI: Internationale Klimaschutzinitiative (International Climate Initiative)
EU: European Union

* according to the first version of the 2026 economic plan dated 19 November 2025



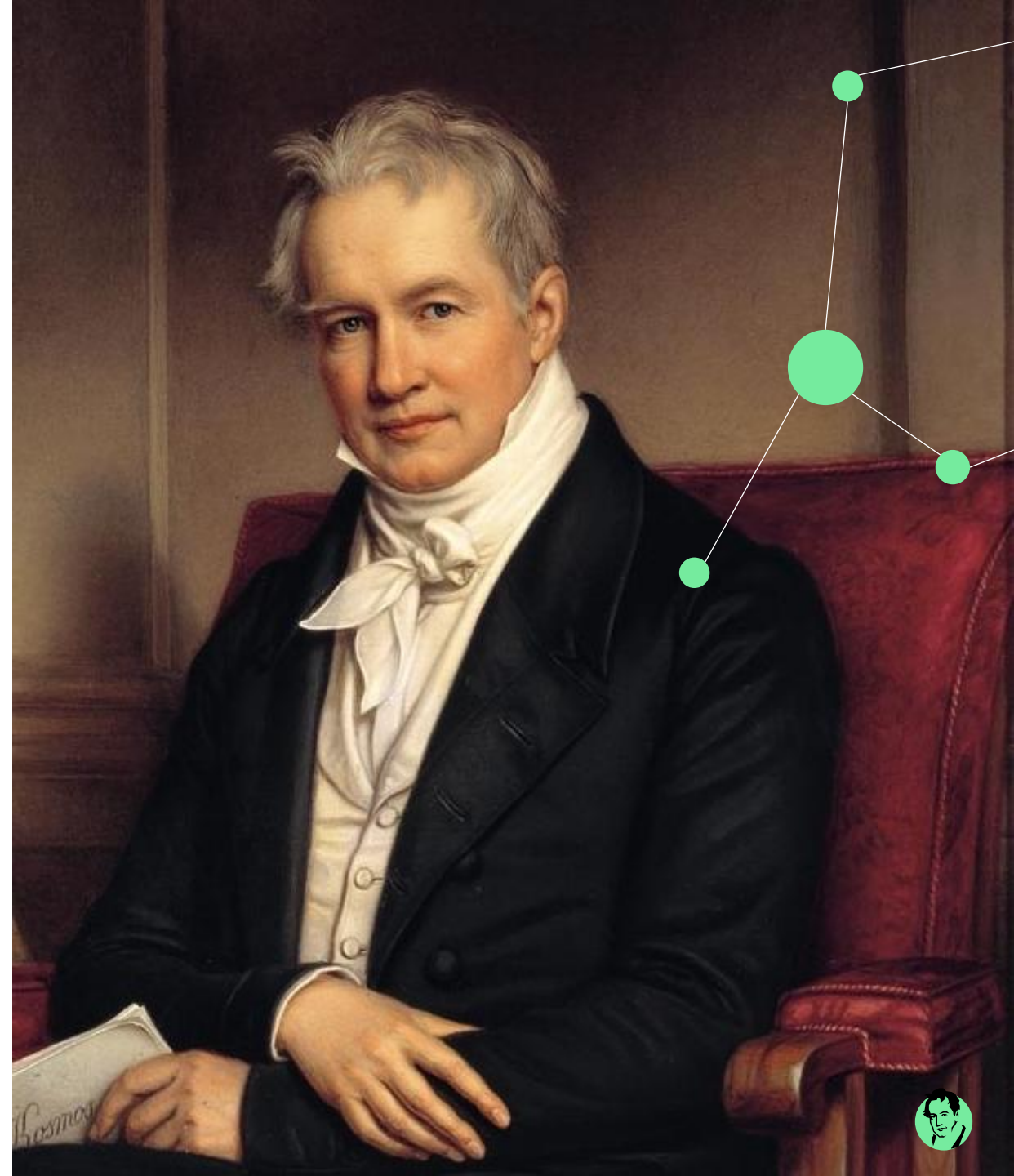
OUR ROOTS

Alexander von Humboldt (1769 – 1859):

explorer, universal genius, cosmopolitan
and sponsor of excellent scientific talent

1953: Establishment of today's Alexander
von Humboldt Foundation, based in Bonn
Bad-Godesberg

International network of academic
cooperation, modelled on Humboldt





OUR NETWORK

**“IDEAS CAN ONLY BEAR FRUIT
IF THEY TAKE ROOT IN MANY
MINDS.”**

Alexander von Humboldt

- World-spanning Humboldt Network transcending the boundaries of disciplines and countries
- Scientific solutions to the challenges of our times
- A network of trust and understanding



OUR NETWORK



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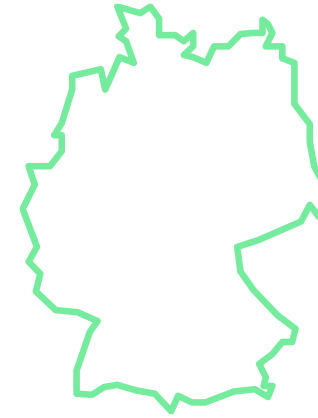
Awards and
fellowships every year



Alumni in more than

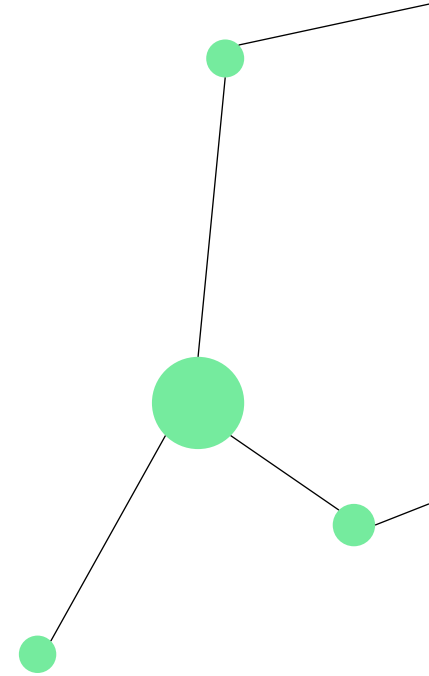
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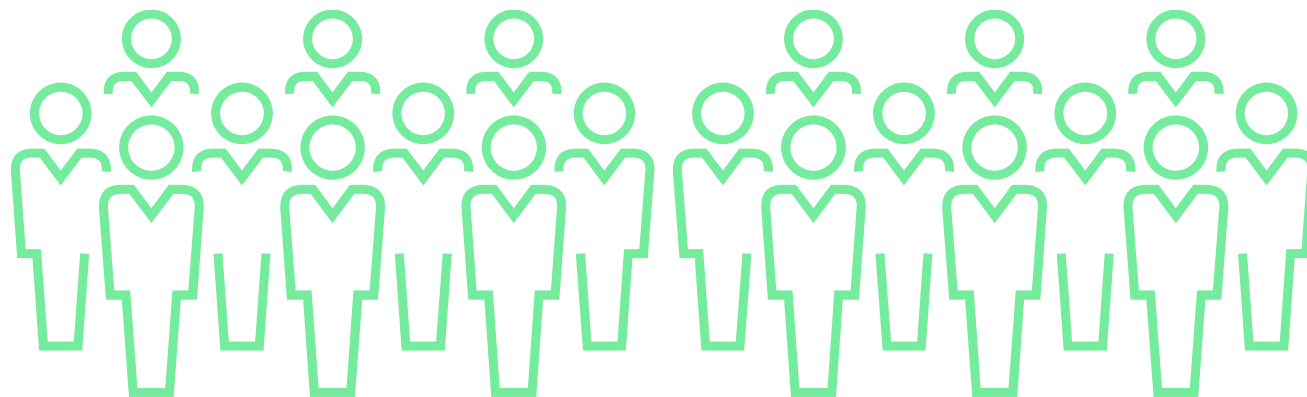
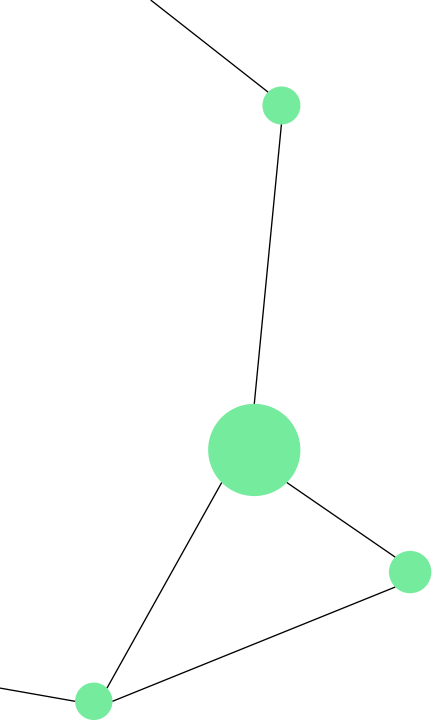
countries



2300

Research stays in
Germany every year





30000

Humboldtians across the world

63

Nobel laureates

40

Conferences and meetings across the
world every year

109

Humboldt alumni associations
worldwide



SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

- Research topic and academic host / unrestricted selection of collaborative partner in Germany
- From postdocs via experienced researchers to world leaders: research fellowships and research awards for every career situation





MAJOR SPONSORSHIP PROGRAMMES AT A GLANCE

	Researchers from abroad	Researchers from Germany
Postdoctoral researchers (up to 4 years after doctorate)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Humboldt Research Fellowship• Georg Forster Research Fellowship	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Feodor Lynen Research Fellowship
Experienced researchers (up to 12 years after doctorate)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Humboldt Research Fellowship• Georg Forster Research Fellowship	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Feodor Lynen Research Fellowship
(up to 15 years after doctorate)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Max Planck-Humboldt Research Award	
(up to 18 years after doctorate)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Friedrich Wilhelm Bessel Research Award	
Internationally recognised researchers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Humboldt Research Award• Georg Forster Research Award• Alexander von Humboldt Professorship	





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THANK YOU

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