

Application: Systems and deadlines

Lead PI must submit the Full application to DFG's elan portal on behalf of the team by October 28, 2026 (before 23:59 in Germany).

Some Lead PIs and Co-PIs must also submit supplementary documents to their national funder, as outlined in the country-specific addenda.

Please note: It is recommended that you upload your application to the DFG a few days before the application deadline to avoid any difficulties in meeting the deadline due to potential (technical) issues.

Application: Full application contents

(For submission to DFG on elan Portal)

1. **Project overview**
2. **Research description** (6,500 words max., excl. data management plan)
3. **Bibliography**
4. **Narrative résumés**
5. **Budget summary and templates**

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You have two ways to get to the correct online proposal form.

Proposal Submission

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Proposal Submission

Review Process

Decision Process

New Project

Electronic proposals can be submitted for the funding instruments listed in the categories below. Electronic forms for proposals to be submitted within Research Units or proposal packages can be found under "Proposal Overview/Renewal/Full Proposal".

For all other programmes, please submit a hard copy of your proposal by mail. For more information, please refer to http://www.dfg.de/en/research_funding/programmes/.

Completing an electronic proposal:

1. **Guidelines and instructions** (left column): Please read through the programme's guidelines and instructions before preparing your proposal.
2. **Templates** (right column): Please complete the appropriate template for your project description. If you cannot use the templates as provided, please follow its prescribed structure.
3. **Electronic proposal form** (Button "Start online form"): Please complete the electronic proposal form. You will be asked to provide the project title and summary in both German and English and upload any attachments as required.

Individual Grants Programme

Cluster of Excellence

Research Training Groups and International Research Training Groups

Research Impulses

Special Programmes for International Cooperation

Priority Programmes

Collaborative Research Centres

Research Units

Clinical Research Units

Centres for Advanced Studies in the Humanities and Social Sciences

Scientific Instrumentation - Information Technology

Scientific Library Services and Information Systems

National Research Data Infrastructure (NFDI)

Cruise Proposals for Research Vessels (GPF-Procedure)

Letter of Intent / Declaration of Interest

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Proposal for a Research Grant		→ Start online form
Guidelines and Instructions	Templates	
→ Guidelines Research Grants Programme	→ Project Description - Project Proposal	
→ Proposal Preparation Instructions - Project Proposals	→ CV with publications	
Draft Proposal for a Research Grant		→ Start online form
Guidelines and Instructions	Templates	
Walter Benjamin Programme		→ Start online form
Guidelines and Instructions	Templates	
→ Guidelines Walter Benjamin Programme with Proposal Preparation Instructions	→ Project Description	
→ Quick Guide to E-Submissions to the Walter Benjamin Programme	→ CV with publications	
Proposal for a Heisenberg Grant		→ Start online form
Guidelines and Instructions	Templates	
→ Guidelines Heisenberg Programme	→ Project description	
→ Proposal Preparation Instructions - Heisenberg Programme	→ CV with publications	
Draft Proposal Emmy Noether Programme		→ Start online form
Guidelines and Instructions	Templates	
→ Guidelines Emmy Noether Programme	→ CV with publications	
→ Proposal Preparation Instructions - Project Proposals		
Proposal within the Emmy Noether Programme		→ Start online form
Guidelines and Instructions	Templates	

Ignore the DFG templates! You will find templates/information on how to structure your proposal in the call documentation.

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▼ Research Training Groups and International Research Training Groups

▼ Research Impulses

▲ Special Programmes for International Cooperation

Initiation of International Collaboration

→ Start online form

Guidelines and Instructions

→ Guidelines Initiation of International Collaboration Programme with Proposal Preparation Instructions

Templates

→ Project description

→ CV with publications

Proposal for Funding International Scientific Events

→ Start online form

Guidelines and Instructions

→ Guidelines for International Scientific Events and Annual Meetings of German Scientific Societies (currently available only in German)

Templates

→ Project Description – International Scientific Events

→ Project Description – Annual Conferences of Scientific and Academic Associations

→ CV with publications

→ Proposal for a Research Grant

→ Start online form

Guidelines and Instructions

→ Guidelines Research Grants Programme

→ Proposal Preparation Instructions - Project Proposals

Templates

→ Project Description - Project Proposal

→ CV with publications

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→ Start online form

Guidelines and Instructions

Templates

▼ Priority Programmes

▼ Collaborative Research Centres

Proposal for a Research Grant

Programme Information

Research grants enable individuals to conduct at any time research projects with clearly defined topics and durations, regardless of the subject.

For information on eligibility, format etc., see the [Guidelines Research Grants Programme](#) and [Proposal Preparation Instructions – Project Proposals](#).

For your proposal you will need at least the following documents. Please use available templates:

- [Project description](#) (in German or English)
- For each applicant: [CV with publications](#) (in German or English) compiled in accordance with the [rules on publication lists](#)

If your project includes international cooperation partners, under the proposal data section, please select either the appropriate programme call or the relevant supplemental classification for international collaborations.

Attached documents must be in PDF format (without restrictions on reading, copying or printing).

If you would like to enter funding requests for more than one applicant, please make sure that these persons have registered in elan. You will need their elan e-mail addresses when completing this form.

You will be asked to enter the project's title and summary in both English and German.

Click **Continue** to begin completing the form.

✕ Cancel

📄 Save ...

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Programme Information	●
Proposal Data	○
Applicants	○
Other Participating Individuals	○
Participating Institutions	○
Concluding Information	○
Attach Documents	○

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Proposal for a Research Grant

Proposal Data

* *Required fields*

If you are submitting your proposal in response to a call, please select the relevant announcement from the list below. The list only shows current calls and announcements. You may also refer to the DFG's website at [Announcements and Proposals](#) :

Call for Proposals:

Enter the title of your research project in (1000 characters each).

Title (in German): *

Title (in English): *

Programme Information	
Proposal Data	
Applicants	☐
Other Participating Individuals	☐
Participating Institutions	☐
Concluding Information	☐
Attach Documents	☐

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Proposal Data

** required fields*

Call for Proposals:	If you are submitting your proposal in response to a call, please select the relevant announcement from the list below. The list only shows current calls and announcements. You may also refer to the DFG's website at Announcements and Proposals : T-AP 2026 –P4T
Project Acronym:	TestProposal

Enter the title of your research project in German and in English in the appropriate fields (up to 300 characters each).

Title (in German): *	Test Proposal within the Call Trans-Atlantic Platform: Preparing for Tomorrow – Societies and Strategies in Times of Transition (T-AP P4T) 162 of 300 characters remaining
Title (in English): *	Test Proposal within the Call Trans-Atlantic Platform: Preparing for Tomorrow – Societies and Strategies in Times of Transition (T-AP P4T) 162 of 300 characters remaining
Reference number:	If you are submitting a revised proposal, please enter the reference number of the previous proposal here.
Duration (in months): *	Please state the duration for which you request funding. Note the maximum funding period per proposal in the programme for which you are applying. 36

Make sure to put in the same acronym you used for the LOI. If you changed the acronym, please let us know.

It is fine to copy/paste the English title into both boxes.

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Subject Area *	*
Protestant Theology	primary

+ New row(s)

Supplemental Classification

Please click the drop-down menu to view the supplemental proposal categories. If applicable, you may assign one or more here. For more information, please refer to the relevant [supplementary proposal instructions](#). For international collaborations that are non-call related or those without special supplementary proposal instructions, please select the category "General International Cooperation".

+ New row(s)

Keywords

Please characterise your project using appropriate keyword(s). Please enter at least one keyword:

Keyword (in German) *	Test Proposal
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+ New row(s)

Keyword (in English) *	Test Proposal
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+ New row(s)

Countries

If the topic of your project relates to other countries, select the most important ones here. (Do not include international collaborations.)

+ New row(s)

x Cancel	Save ...	← Back	→ Continue
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Please do not add any supplemental proposal classifications! 99% would be incorrect.

Put the English keywords into both boxes.

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Summary

** required fields*

Summary (in German)

Please provide a short, plain-language summary of the key objectives of your project in German (up to 3,000 characters): *

Dies ist die Zusammenfassung für einen Testantrag.

2950 of 3000 characters remaining

Summary (in English)

Please provide a short, plain-language summary of the key objectives of your project in English (up to 3,000 characters): *

This is the summary for a test proposal.

2960 of 3000 characters remaining

Put the English summary into both boxes.

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Please enter the funding requested under this call for proposals for each applicant, one by one, in the forms below (please note that all applicants must be registered on the elan portal).

Proposal for a Research Grant

Applicants

Please enter only the individuals who are applying for their own funding.

Note: Applicants must be registered in elan and have verified the correspondence address in order to be entered as applicants.

Co-investigators, international cooperation partners, application partners etc. should be entered in the category "Participating Individual" or "Participating Institutions".

For multiple applicants:

Please enter the personal data and requested funding amount for each individual before proceeding to the next applicant.

No entries have been made. Click  **Add Applicant** to add the first entry:

 **Add Applicant**

If you would like to edit an entry, click the Edit Icon .

When you have finished completing the section, click  **Continue**.

 Cancel

 Save ...

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Proposal for a Research Grant

Applicant

*** required fields**

Enter the elan account name for the person you are adding: *

Testperson@dfg.de

Please indicate your employment status: *

--- please select ---

--- please select ---

fixed term

permanent

currently unemployed

 Cancel

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Please note that all applicants must have registered their respective affiliations for the project in the Elan Portal.

Select where you would prefer to conduct the proposed project from the list of institutions you provided below. If your institution is not included in the drop-down menu, save your entries by clicking "Save..." and enter the foreign institution via the My Profile tab under New Address. Please allow one working day before continuing your proposal.

Tampere, Tampere University Faculty of Engineering and Natural Sciences



Cancel



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Proposal for a Research Grant

Funding Organisation

* *Required fields*

Please select the funding organisation from whom funding will be requested: *

--- please select ---

--- please select ---

DFG

AKA

ANR

Dutch Research Council (NWO)

FAPESP

FRQ Canada

Internationales Büro des BMBF

NCN

NRF (Südafrika)

SSHRC

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Modules

As part of your research grant proposal, you may submit one or more of the following modules. For more details, please see the respective guidelines for each module.

Basic Module (Funding for Staff, Direct Project Costs, Instrumentation):	 Edit ...	Guidelines
Temporary Position for Principal Investigator:	 Edit ...	Guidelines
Replacement:	 Edit ... 	Guidelines
Temporary Substitute for Clinician:	 Edit ...	Guidelines

In combination with at least one of the modules above, you may also submit one or more of the following modules:

Mercator Fellow:	 Edit ...	Guidelines
Project-Specific Workshop:	 Edit ... 	Guidelines
Science Communication:	 Edit ... 	Guidelines
Standard Allowance for Equity and Diversity:	 Edit ... 	Guidelines

Total

This is your view if you select DFG as your funding organization.

Please enter all requested funds for the applicant you entered earlier in the corresponding field.

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Basic Module

Use this module to request funding for direct project costs, project-specific staff, and instrumentation necessary to carry out the project, as well as an allowance for the publication of project findings. Please enter the requested funding amounts by clicking the appropriate buttons.

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Funding for Staff:	 Edit...
Direct Project Costs:	 Edit...
Instrumentation:	 Edit...

 Cancel

 Save ...

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 Continue

Funding for Staff

* Required fields

The DFG generally grants funding for staff in the form of standard amounts. For specific rates and further details, please see the overview at ["DFG Personnel Rates"](#).

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Postdoctoral Researcher or Comparable

Number	Months *	Part-Time (%) *
 New row(s)		

Medical Research Assistant

Number	Months *	Part-Time (%) *
 New row(s)		

Doctoral Researcher or Comparable

Number	Months *	Part-Time (%) *
 New row(s)		

Other Research Assistant

Number	Months *	Part-Time (%) *
 New row(s)		

Non-Academic Staff Member

Number	Months *	Part-Time (%) *
 New row(s)		

Miscellaneous Staff:

Support Staff		EUR
Other Staff		EUR

Please justify the requested funding in your *Project Description*.

 Cancel

 Save ...

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Direct Project Costs

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Equipment up to EUR 10,000, Software and Consumables		EUR
Travel		EUR
Visiting Researchers (excluding Mercator Fellows)		EUR
Experimental Animals		EUR
Other		EUR
Publications		EUR

The DFG may contribute up to EUR 750 per year towards publishing the findings of a project. Publications may be in any form, with the exception of grey literature. If the appropriate publication of the project findings calls for a book format with high production costs, you may be eligible to receive up to EUR 5,000 per year, provided you can justify the expenses.

Please justify the requested funding in your *Project Description*.

 Cancel

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Direct Project Costs	
Please enter the individual amounts for each of the following direct project cost categories:	
Other Staff	EUR
Equipment up to EUR 10,000, Software and Consumables	EUR
Travel	EUR
Other	EUR

Please justify the requested funding in your *Project Description*.

 Cancel	 Save ...	 Back	 Continue
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This is your view if you select any funding organization but DFG

Please just put the sum of what you request from your national/regional funding organization in the box „Other“.
You do not have to convert the sum into Euros, just the sum in your national currency. We will adjust the currency manually.

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Overview of Proposed Budget

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The Link  [Budget Overview](#) will lead you to a PDF document listing your requested budget.

We ask you to take a moment to compare each of these items with those listed in your *Project Description*.

Please note that only the amounts contained in this listing will be used to review and decide on your proposal.

After you have reviewed and verified this information, please click "Continue". This confirms that you acknowledge that the listing is decisive for the review and decision-making processes.

If you would like to make any changes, please click "Back" to return to the form.

You can use the Budget Overview form to review the funds you have entered.



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Current entries:

Applicants:	Requested Funding Amount (EUR):	
PA 4253 Professor Dr. Paulchen Panter, Berlin (Applicant)	274,600 EUR	 

  Add Applicant

If you would like to edit an entry, click the Edit Icon .

When you have finished completing the section, click  **Continue**.

 Cancel	 Save ...	 Back	 Continue
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Please repeat the steps shown on slides 10 through 15 for each applicant.

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Participating Individuals

Please enter all researchers from Germany or abroad who will assume *significant project responsibility*. These individuals will not be applying for their own funding or be funded through the project. If funding is approved, the names of participating individuals will be included in GEPRIS, the DFG's online project database (gepris.dfg.de/en)

Researchers participating in this programme can be assigned the following roles:

- *Co-investigator*: researchers at universities and research institutions **in Germany** who, in addition to the applicants, also assume project responsibility.
- *Cooperation partner*: **international** collaboration partners.

Please list their project contributions in the project description. Additional individuals participating in the project may also be included there.

No entries present. Click  **Add Participating Individual** to add the first entry:

 **Add Participating Individual**

If you would like to edit an entry, click the Edit Icon .

When you have finished completing the section, click  **Continue**.

Please add **one** of your project partners from abroad as a cooperation partner.



Cancel



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No entries present. Click [+ Add Participating Individual](#) to add the first entry:

[+ Add Participating Individual](#)

If you would like to edit an entry, click the Edit Icon .

When you have finished completing the section, click [→ Continue](#).



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Participating Individual

* *Required fields*

Role: *

--- please select ---

--- please select ---

Co-Investigator

Cooperation Partner

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Personal Data

* Required fields

Academic title, salutation:	--- Select if applicable ---
Academic title/degree, prefix:	--- Select if applicable ---
First name: *	
Last-name prefix:	--- Select if applicable ---
Last name: *	
Academic title/degree, suffix:	--- Select if applicable ---

Explanation of the use of the academic title/degree preceding or following the name:

Only indicate both academic titles/degrees (Dr. or Dr.-Ing. and Ph.D.) if the person in question is entitled to use both in parallel. The relevant decisions adopted by the Standing Conference of the Ministers of Education and Cultural Affairs (Kultusministerkonferenz, KMK) on this topic can be found at [Use of Academic Titles \(kmk.org\)](https://www.kmk.org).

Gender: *	☐ male ☐ female ☐ diverse
Date of birth (yyyy-mm-dd):	
Nationality: *	Germany
German-speaking: *	☐ Yes ☐ No
Website:	
Mobile phone:	

 Cancel

 Save ...

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Address Data

* Required fields

Type of contact: *	--- please select ---
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 Cancel

 Save ...

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Institution Data

* Required fields

Person, Test

Country: *	Netherlands
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Institution Data

* Required fields

Person, Test

Institution (incl. department, etc.) *	
Another 160 of 160 characters remaining	
Website:	
Street:	
Building number:	
PO box:	
Postal code:	
City: *	
Postal code after city:	

Here you can enter your personal contact details at the institution listed above.

Country code:	+31
Telephone prefix:	
Telephone extension:	
Fax prefix:	
Fax extension:	
E-mail:	

 Cancel

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Concluding Information

* Required fields

In submitting this proposal to the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG), all applicants agree to

- adhere to the rules and ethical requirements of the relevant national funding organisations and, where applicable, to submit ethics statements.

In addition, applicants to the DFG agree to

- adhere to the **principles of good scientific practice**. The DFG's Rules of Procedure for Dealing with Scientific Misconduct (Verfahrensordnung der DFG zum Umgang mit wissenschaftlichem Fehlverhalten [VerfOwF](#)) apply.
- have adhered to the [guidelines regarding publication lists and bibliographies](#).
- inform the DFG immediately of any changes to the information provided.
- observe all relevant laws, regulations and guidelines that pertain to the project and in particular to attain all necessary approvals, certifications, etc., in a timely manner.
- use the grant exclusively and in a targeted manner to realise the funded project, to conform to the [relevant regulations of the DFG](#) and in particular not to use the grant to finance core support.
- submit research progress reports according to the dates specified in the award letter and to present financial accounts to the DFG detailing the use of funds.
- and **if applicable**
 - inform the DFG immediately if funding for this project is requested from a third party. Proposals requesting major instrumentation and/or those previously submitted to a third party must be mentioned in the Project Description.
 - inform your university's DFG liaison officer about the proposal submission.
 - comply with the relevant subject-specific research ethics guidelines, determine whether a statement is required from the competent ethics committee and, if so, obtain this in good time, and notify the DFG without delay if the ethics committee raises substantive concerns or issues an unfavourable statement (the DFG expressly reserves the right to assess whether a project-specific statement is required).
 - when planning and conducting any **investigations on humans**, including identifiable samples taken from humans and identifiable data, comply with the most current versions of the Embryo Protection Act (Embryonenschutzgesetz), the Stem Cell Act (Stammzellgesetz), the Medicinal Products Act (Arzneimittelgesetz), the German Medical Device Law Implementation Act (Medizinproduktegesetz), the Medical Device Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2017/745), and the Declaration of Helsinki.
 - adhere to the regulations and provisions of the Animal Protection Act (Tierschutzgesetz) and the Experimental Animals Ordinance (Versuchstierverordnung).
 - examine whether the proposed project involves dual use research of concern and if so, to weigh the benefits of pursuing this work against the risks of potential misuse and to implement measures to minimise these risks.
 - adhere to the provisions of the Genetic Engineering Act (Gentechnikgesetz) with regard to experiments involving genetically modified organisms (GMO).

☒ I/We accept the declarations and obligations listed above. I am/We are familiar with the content of the DFG's Rules of Procedure for Dealing with Scientific Misconduct (Verfahrensordnung der DFG zum Umgang mit wissenschaftlichem Fehlverhalten - VerfOwF) and understand and accept that these Rules of Procedure are legally binding for me/us. *

The DFG takes the protection of your personal data very seriously. Please note the DFG's data protection notice on research funding, which can be downloaded at www.dfg.de/privacy_policy. Please forward this information to those individuals whose data will be processed by the DFG because they are mentioned in your proposal.

☒ I/We have read the DFG's [data protection notice](#). *

City: *

Bonn

Date: *

2026-09-02



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Attach Documents

*** Required fields**

Attached documents must be in PDF format **(without restrictions on reading, copying or printing)**.

You cannot attach files larger than 10 MB.

If you must submit larger files, you may submit them subsequently on a data carrier. In this case, please upload a note referring to the additional documents.

The following documents **must** be submitted:

Project Description *	Select file to upload ...
Academic Curriculum Vitae with List of Publications *	Select file(s) to upload ...

Research Description

Narrative Résumé

You may also attach the following documents optionally or as required in accordance with guidelines or proposal instructions:

Cooperation agreements	Select file(s) to upload ...
Research Papers	Select file(s) to upload ...
Instrumentation Quotes	Select file(s) to upload ...
Statements	Select file(s) to upload ...
Approvals	Select file(s) to upload ...

Other Attachments	Select file(s) to upload ...
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(s. [Announcements and Proposals](#)):

Project Overview, Data Management Plan, Budget Summary etc.

Important: Please keep the original documents, as you may be required to submit them at a later date.

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Documents:

 [Formdata_Paulchen_Panter.pdf](#) (99 KB) 

Attachments:

[Einbinden_Netzwerkfreigaben.pdf](#) (144 KB) 

[Mail QV - Reset_Institutionendatenbank_20230901.pdf](#) (459 KB) 

You can click individual items to open and review the documents before submitting them.
The documents are listed in no set order.

Click → **Send** to submit the information electronically. This action is final and cannot be reversed.



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Suspend ...



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Send

Do not forget to click on „Send“!

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The screenshot displays the 'elan' application portal. The top navigation bar includes a home icon, 'Proposal Submission', 'Review Process', and 'Decision Process'. The left sidebar contains a list of links: 'Forms in Progress (14)', 'Proposal Overview / Renewal Proposal', 'New Project / Draft Proposal', 'Prize Nominations', 'E-Files (1)', 'My Meetings (0)', 'List of Decision Documents', 'Instructions', and 'FAQ'. The main content area provides information about funding instruments and a list of categories with expandable sections.

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→ E-Files (1)

→ My Meetings (0)

→ List of Decision Documents

→ Instructions

→ FAQ

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hard copy of your proposal by mail. For more information, please refer to <http://www.dfg.de/en/>

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You can save your online form as a draft and reopen it by clicking the button "Forms in Progress".