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HERRENHAUSEN PALACE, HANOVER, GERMANY

TRAVEL GRANTS FOR YOUNG RESEARCHERS



DANGEROUS LANDSCAPES – RE-THINKING ENVIRONMENTAL RISK IN LOW-INCOME COMMUNITIES

THE TOPIC

Climate change and rapid urbanization will expose more and more humans around the globe to natural hazards. Future informal urbanization activities in dangerous terrain will increase overall vulnerabilities especially for flooding and landslides in the fast growing regions of Asia, Africa, and Latin America. Peri-urban and rural settlements will also face increased risks such as the intensification of droughts. Therefore, developing integrated risk reduction strategies in such regions will be one of the great challenges of the future. The Herrenhausen Conference “Dangerous Landscapes” will specifically examine trans-disciplinary, community-based and emerging approaches to disaster risk reduction in low-income communities. The conference will address integrative and affordable forms of prevention and counteractions that could be part of everyday life of threatened low-income communities.

TRAVEL GRANTS AVAILABLE

The Volkswagen Foundation offers travel grants for PhD students or early Post Docs (max. 5 years since PhD, all subjects) researching on challenging projects in the field of disaster risk reduction strategies in rapidly urbanizing regions of the developing world. Applicants can win one of 30 grants to take part in the Herrenhausen Conference “Dangerous Landscapes” in Hanover, Germany. Successful applicants will get the chance to present their research in a **3 minute lightning-talk** and during several **poster sessions**. The grants include travel expenses to and from Hanover, visa fees (if applicable), as well as accommodation in Hanover. Please apply by **March 31, 2017** via <https://form.jotformeu.com/62013165195349>. Please note that we're not able to accept applications after this deadline.

YOUR APPLICATION SHOULD CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING

- A short description of your research focus that explains how your approach tackles the challenges of disaster risk reduction strategies in rapidly urbanizing regions of the developing world (max. 1.000 characters)
- An abstract of your research project (max. 3.000 characters) with your research question, research method, rough time table, results and outlook as well as naming your research institution, research partners and thesis advisors
- A short C.V. (max. 1.000 characters)
- A short list of your most recent publications (max. 5)

SELECTION

Participants will be selected by the steering committee. Acceptance will be based on qualification of the applicant as well as relevance, originality and potential of the research project for the goals of the conference. We'll inform the applicants about the results at the beginning of May, 2017.

USEFUL INFORMATION

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DETAILED PROGRAM: www.volkswagenstiftung.de/dangerouslandscapes QUERIES: conference@ila.uni-hannover.de.

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