



Leibniz Institute for  
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EUROPEAN STUDIES**



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Application deadline: May 31, 2026

**Call for Applications for the  
2026 IOS-REGENSBURG-ODESA FELLOWSHIP**

granted by the

City of Regensburg and the Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies

The Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies (IOS Regensburg) and the City of Regensburg have established a joint research fellow program for scientists working in Odesa. We encourage applications from social scientists, political scientists, economists, and scholars of cognate disciplines from universities and institutions of higher education and research in Odesa. The fellowship aims at strengthening the partnership between the cities of Regensburg and Odesa, as well as between the IOS and academic institutions in Odesa.

The duration of the research stay usually lasts between two and four weeks. The fellows are expected to conduct research on the contemporary economic and/or political situation in the Odesa region or in the region of Regensburg, or the Danube region respectively. The allowance is determined by the length of the stay and the applicant's professional experience.

The Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies, IOS (<http://www.leibniz-ios.de>) in Regensburg is one of the largest and longest-established institutions of its kind in Germany with a distinctly international orientation. It is an independent research facility with close links to the University of Regensburg. IOS conducts interdisciplinary research on the economic and political development of Eastern and Southeastern Europe and on the history of the region. One of our special areas of interest is Ukraine. Furthermore, the IOS maintains a special library holding a stock of more than 360,000 media units of literature in the humanities and social sciences relating to the countries of Eastern and Southeastern Europe. We cooperate closely with the University of Regensburg, e.g. in the Think Space Ukraine program.

Together with the University of Regensburg, the institute provides an attractive research environment in a city known for its high quality of life. Regensburg has one of Germany's largest preserved medieval cities holding the status of a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

We now invite applications for our 2026 Odesa Fellowship. Please submit your application online until **May 31, 2026**, via the IOS application portal at <https://leibniz-ios.de/en/institute/about-the-institute/fellowships>.

The application documents should include the following:

- cover letter with statement of preferred length and period of your stay (**the awarded fellowship can be started in the second half of the year 2026**)
- a detailed academic Curriculum Vitae naming two references
- a short research proposal in German or English (maximum three pages)
- electronic copies of no more than three academic articles (published or unpublished).

Please note: All applications will be deleted after six months.

For further information please contact the Academic Director of IOS, Prof. Dr. Ulf Brunnbauer ([brunnbauer@ios-regensburg.de](mailto:brunnbauer@ios-regensburg.de)).