

iDiv Seed Fund

Call for proposals

Aims and Scope

The iDiv Extended Executive Board invites proposals for seed funding. Seed projects are projects that leverage the funding received from iDiv **to attract additional funding from third parties** (such as the European Commission or the DFG) with a focus on **coordinated research programmes** (rather than individual research grants). Typical grant preparation activities that can be supported by seed funding include workshops and coordination activities. In addition, projects that significantly increase the **visibility of iDiv** can also be supported by the iDiv Seed Fund.

Any type of expense can be applied for, provided that it complies with budgetary regulations and the procurement principles of the respective host institution; there is no target budget for an individual initiative.

Eligibility

All iDiv members are eligible to apply.

Procedure and Deadlines

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis. Proposals should be submitted as a single PDF file to the Resources Unit (resources@idiv.de). The Extended Executive Board (or if necessary a specifically appointed committee) will evaluate the proposals and make the funding decision (conditional on the availability of funds). Decisions will be based on overall merit of the proposals according to the criteria listed below.

If you need advice on the scientific goals of the proposal, feel free to contact Henrique Pereira (hperreira@idiv.de), questions related to formal requirements of potential proposals can be directed to Jan Schnitzler (jan.schnitzler@idiv.de).

Evaluation Criteria

- Support the iDiv Science Strategy and iDiv's mission
- Scientific quality
- Potential leverage effect of the proposal or impact on visibility
- Contribute to strengthening the integration among iDiv members and added value in Halle, Jena or Leipzig, including improving gender balance and diversity

German Centre for Integrative Biodiversity Research Halle-Jena-Leipzig – iDiv e.V.
Puschstrasse 4, 04103 Leipzig, Germany | Phone: +49 341 9733207 | resources@idiv.de | www.idiv.de/seed-fund-call
Leipzig Register of Associations: VR 8088 | Tax number: 231/140/34614 | Ust-IdNr.: DE461237234

The Executive Board, consisting of the Scientific Director, Prof Dr Martin Quaas, and the Chief Operating Officer, Dr Anne Wesemann, acts on behalf of iDiv e. V., the representative body of the German Centre for Integrative Biodiversity Research Halle-Jena-Leipzig. Leipzig University, Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg, Friedrich Schiller University Jena, and the Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research GmbH – UFZ are founding institutional members of iDiv e. V.