

# MINERVA STIFTUNG

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## Call for proposals Minerva-Gentner Symposia 2020

**Deadline: 16 July 2018**

The Minerva Stiftung is inviting proposals to hold a **Minerva-Gentner Symposium** in **2020**.

The **Gentner Symposia** shall bring together Israeli scientists with colleagues from Germany.

**Gentner Symposia** may be held in **all areas of research**. The aim of the symposia is to initiate new collaborative efforts in fields that are not yet in the focus of German-Israeli cooperation. **Gentner Symposia** shall enable the scientific discourse, exchange of ideas, and new interactions in a given field of research. Not yet established but promising young scientists (PhD students, post docs) shall have the opportunity to get in contact with senior scientists during these symposia. Roughly, 50% of the participants should belong to the group of not yet established scientists. In each country, the scientists should come from various institutions. In addition to the Israeli and German participants, also scientists from other countries can be included in the program.

The venue of the symposium may be either in Germany or Israel.

Scientists from German universities and non-university research institutions as well as from the six Israeli universities and the Weizmann Institute are eligible for applications for a **Gentner Symposium** together with (a) colleague(s) from the respective other country.

**Gentner Symposia** are funded with up to EUR 30.000,00. This budget is allocated for expenses for travel, boarding and lodging of Israeli and German participants (- **see enclosure**).

Please send proposals **in English only** (in hard copy **and** by e-mail) and refer to the following points:

- Title, content, and subject area of the symposium
- Specific topics to be addressed during the symposium
- Course of the programme (incl. preliminary schedule)
- Expected participants and lecturers (names and institutions), please state that the attendees have already confirmed their participation.
- Future impact of the symposium for the corresponding field of research
- Budget plan (if the costs exceed EUR 30.000,00 indicate the source for the additional funds)
- Conference venue and date
- Names and affiliations of the organizer and co-organizer from Israel and Germany
- Co-operating institutions

Please note that your proposal for a **Gentner Symposium** should not involve similar/identical topics or the same group of people as previous ones (<http://www.minerva.mpg.de/gentner/list.html>).

Because selection is competitive, it is recommended to submit a detailed proposal (average: 4-6 pages).

The **deadline** for submitting applications is **16 July 2018** (for the hard copies: date of postmark).

Please address your proposal to:

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## **Enclosure - Call for Proposals for Minerva Gentner Symposia**

### **Eligible Expenditures**

On principle, only costs for the scientific part of the event can be taken into account. A subsequent increase of the lump sum following the grant is not possible.

### **The grant may be used for**

- rent for accommodation
- costs for board and lodging
- travel allowances
- costs for supplement programs
- printed matter and office supplies
- postage and phone costs
- other material costs

### **Non-eligible Costs**

The following items can, on principle, not be discounted at the expense of the project funds

- personal salary of the project heads
- expenses for administrative duties
- emoluments
- costs for printing reports on the Gentner Symposium
- expenses for construction and installation measures
- operational and maintenance costs (e.g. electricity, gas, water, cooling agents), maintenance contracts
- contributions for property insurance, expenditures for letters of safe conduct
- expenses for the use of an institute's own service facilities (such as computing centers or other – also scientific – services) on the basis of an internal performance settlement
- expenses for apparatus which must be considered as up-to-date initial equipment (for the respective field)
- expenses for the supplementation or repair of apparatus which is not the property of the Minerva Stiftung
- turnover tax insofar as it can be deducted as input tax