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About the Minerva Stiftung

Rich in tradition the Minerva Stiftung is the oldest of all German-Israeli cooperation programmes and is being funded by the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) up to the present day. Not only does the Minerva Stiftung offer opportunities for outstanding research and excellent cooperation, it also provides a scope in which intimating relations between German and Israeli researchers can evolve.

What we do

The Minerva Stiftung cooperates closely with the seven main Israeli universities and research organizations by

- a fellowship programme for doctoral researchers and postdocs
- · a programme to establish research centers
- a programme for workshops and conferences
- a programme for project funding at the Weizmann Institute of Science
- a short-term research grant programme

Their entire aim is to support young outstanding scientists and new innovative research fields.

Programmes

The **Minerva Fellowship Programme** is the oldest of the existing programmes in Germany to promote German-Israeli research cooperation. It is funded by the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research and enables Israeli and German scientists from all German and Israeli universities and non-university research institutions to complete a research residency at institutions in the respective other country.

Minerva Fellowships are granted to doctoral and postdoctoral researchers from Germany and Israel from all fields of research.

The **Minerva Short-Term Research Grant** gives young German and Israeli scientists from all subjects the opportunity to visit research partners and to establish contacts with scientists in the respective guest country, jointly funded by the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) and the Israeli Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST). The short-term grants are for stays of one to eight weeks and support their recipients in terms of travel expenses and additional costs.

Minerva Centers are scientific pioneer institutions with a focus on innovative research topics in Israel and are funded by the Minerva Stiftung and the particular host university where the Center is based with a volume of up to 150,000 euros p.a. As "Centers of Excellence" they are being installed within a competitive process and run by means of support for excellent scientific research and to boost German-Israeli cooperation for a limited amount of time.

The **Minerva-Weizmann Programme** has supported excellent individual and group research projects exclusively at the Weizmann Institute of Science in Rehovot, Israel with nearly \notin 3.6 million each year since 1964.