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MINERVA CENTERS PROGRAMME

from all fields of research
located at six universities in Israel
and the Weizmann Institute of Science

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Programme information

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** each year.

Research at the Centers is carried out in cooperation with German partners and involves **excellent scientists** regardless of their institutional affiliation in order to create an **inter-university community** in the field.

How to apply

About every two or three years, a **call for new Minerva Centers** in a specific field of research is launched. This call initiates a three-stage procedure and leads to the establishment of up to three new Minerva Centers.

Please refer to our homepage for the exact application procedure: minerva.mpg.de/minerva-centers

Goals and Conditions

The **Minerva Centers Programme** aims at bridging gaps, training young scientists and building networks in the respective field of research. Joint research projects, short-term research exchanges, symposia and workshops intend to deepen the scientific contacts between Israel and Germany.

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Minerva Centers have to be **scientifically excellent** and must deal with topics that are innovative.

They must be of **special interest** to the scientific community in Israel and Germany.

A Minerva Center has a lifetime of **6 + 6 years**. Each Center is selected by the Minerva Centers Committee and will be scientifically evaluated during the 6th year.

Who is eligible to apply

Eligible for directorship are all outstanding scientists, who hold a permanent position at **Bar Ilan University, Ben Gurion University, Haifa University, the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Tel Aviv University, the Technion or the Weizmann Institute of Science**.

Requirements apply to the Director of a Center with regard to their scientific track record and experience in leading projects. The Director should be an outstanding, experienced research figure and will be responsible for bringing together the critical mass for the subject.