

## TUM Global Incentive Fund - First Call for Proposals 2024

**Deadline: February 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**Funding period: May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024 – May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Financial support: up to 10,000.00 € per project**

The TUM Global Incentive Fund seeks to deepen TUM’s international relationships worldwide, and especially with selected partner universities. With two funding lines, it combines leadership-driven strategic initiatives and bottom-up global engagement of TUM’s scholars and scientists.

→ Link: [TUM Global Incentive Fund](#) (incl. application documents)

<b>Funding line I: Strategic Partnership Engagement</b>	<b>Funding line II: Global Horizons Engagement</b>
<p>Developing and expanding of collaborations with the following selected partners:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Imperial College London (UK)</b></li> <li>▪ <b>Tsinghua University (China)</b></li> <li>▪ <b>University of Queensland (Australia)</b></li> <li>▪ <b>Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST) (Ghana)</b></li> <li>▪ <b>Aalto University (Finland)</b></li> <li>▪ <b>Politecnico di Milano (Italy)</b></li> <li>▪ <b>Universidade Estadual Paulista (Brazil)</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Co-funding</b> for joint research projects with Brazilian partners from the state of São Paulo through the TUM Global Incentive Fund (you apply for it) and the funding agency <b>FAPESP</b> (your Brazilian colleagues have to apply for the SPRINT call for proposals).</p>	<p>Developing and expanding of <b>international relationships worldwide, without regional limitations.</b></p> <p>As part of the <b>TUM Global South Initiative</b>, TUM puts a special focus on fostering collaborations and activities in the following global south countries:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Latin America: Brazil and Peru</li> <li>▪ Africa: Ghana and South Africa</li> <li>▪ Southeast Asia: Indonesia and India</li> </ul> <p>These activities can be supported by the <a href="#">TUM Liaison Offices</a>, if applicable.</p>

<p>Eligible activities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Meetings / visits in preparation of joint projects (e.g. preparation of a joint application for third-party funding).</li> <li>■ Development of project specific virtual cooperation formats.</li> <li>■ Set up of new networks to promote the exchange of ideas, best practice, and other research goals.</li> <li>■ Networking events such as international workshops and seminars to bring together researchers to strengthen existing collaborations and foster new links.</li> <li>■ Collaborative day or week-long events involving staff and students from both institutions to explore new ideas for cooperations.</li> </ul>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Development of joint research-oriented courses at postgraduate level (including MOOCs).</li> </ul>
Review of application & selection criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Potential for development of innovative collaborations in teaching, research and/or entrepreneurship.</li> <li>■ Exploring opportunities of increasing research and student exchanges/ added value for TUM students and young researchers / scientists.</li> <li>■ Goals and feasibility of project.</li> <li>■ Reputation of the cooperation partners; quality of existing cooperation (if applicable).</li> <li>■ Complementarity of cooperation partners.</li> <li>■ Commitment of partner e.g. co-funding, in-kind, statement of collaboration intent, etc.</li> <li>■ Quality of already existing cooperation (if applicable).</li> <li>■ Sustainability of proposed activities; action points for extension of cooperation; potential identification of follow-up funding.</li> <li>■ Interdisciplinary aspects of proposed project / activity.</li> <li>■ Agreement with internationalization goals of department, institute, integrative research center etc.</li> <li>■ Potential for integration of the regional TUM liaison offices into project activities (if applicable).</li> </ul>
Financial support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Travel grants for researchers initiating or intensifying new cooperation projects. Please note: subsistence is only eligible for TUM-employees.</li> <li>■ Accommodation costs.</li> <li>■ Development costs of project specific virtual cooperation formats.</li> <li>■ Workshop costs (stationary, workshop material, rent for room, etc.). Please note: entertainment costs or catering costs cannot be reimbursed.</li> <li>■ Salary for TUM-contracted research assistance &amp; student assistance.</li> <li>■ Honorarium for keynotes / public lectures.</li> </ul>
Application documents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Online application form (no paper format).</li> <li>■ Statement of commitment by cooperation partner(s).</li> </ul>
Eligibility & deadline	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ All TUM professors and TUM junior fellows are welcome to submit applications.</li> <li>■ <b>Please submit the application documents on the <a href="#">online platform</a> by February 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024.</b></li> </ul>
Accessing funding & reporting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Please note: the granted maximum budget is not a lump sum. The funds will only be transferred on a reimbursement basis (to TUM chair or individual project members).</li> <li>■ Costs incurred in 2024 must in principle be claimed by the end of the financial year.</li> <li>■ Only costs incurred by May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025, are eligible for reimbursement, and reimbursement must be requested within the following 6 months.</li> <li>■ Final report is due on 27.06.2025.</li> </ul>

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