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List of types of grants which can be taken abroad

Grants may be transferred within the Individual Grant Scheme (Einzelverfahren) including Priority Programmes (Schwerpunktprogramme) or as a subproject within larger Research Units (Forscherguppen).

Parts of the grants (types of cost) which are transferrable

Major investments will remain with the granting organization or the home institution. Funds for the position of the principal investigator are not transferrable.

Conditions and requirements for submitting an MfR request including information on how direct and indirect impacts on research teams will be managed

DFG will demand a sustainable mentoring concept for all young scientists involved.

Limitations to the transfer of the grants

DFG transfers grants only on a reciprocal basis, i.e. depending on the signature of the MfR Letter of Intent by a Science Europe Member Organisation or another responsible institution in the target country.

In each individual case the decision on whether, when, to what extent and how a grant is transferred is entirely with the DFG.

The remaining period of the grant should be no less than six months.

The project must have been started.

Other relevant regulations

Special agreements hold for Austria and Switzerland. One exception for new projects which have not yet started is made for the D-A-CH countries, where in general FWF and SNF respectively take over the entire funding of the project according to their regulations if a researcher with a DFG grant moves from Germany to Austria or Switzerland. In case a researcher with a DFG grant moves to Austria or Switzerland, and the project has started, DFG will continue to fund the entire project.