Call: YIN Grant / YIN Award 2025

YIN continuingly proceeds its efforts to broaden its internal scientific activities. YIN-members are invited to identify topics for preliminary research which may lead to new collaborations and funding proposals (e.g. DFG, BMBF). The three best ideas will be awarded with a **YIN Grant 2025**. From these, the very best proposal will be acknowledged with the **YIN Award 2025** as an honorary recognition, which will be signed by the Vice President for Research at KIT.

**Amount of subsidy: 25.000 € for each of the YIN Grants**

**Extent of the proposal: 2 pages DIN-A4**

**Submission deadline: 28.02.2025**

**Submission format: pdf of application template to** [info@yin.kit.edu](mailto:info@yin.kit.edu)

**We are looking for projects, that**

* are of high scientific quality.
* have the potential to be the basis for a larger third-party funding proposal.
* have a positive public perception, e.g., increase the awareness-level for YIN

Successful applicants will be notified by **01.04.2025.**

**The funds can be used for:**

* equipment or consumables (equipment will be inventoried via YIN and is property of the KIT. If you leave the KIT, the equipment will remain at KIT.)
* student assistants (HiWi)
* research associates
* invitations of guest scientists**\***
* research visits domestic and abroad**\***
* workshops, conferences, project meetings**\***
* excursions, measuring campaigns

**Structure of the proposal**

**Please use the attached application template for the YIN Grant 2025:**

* Please write the application in an anonymous manner. If you would like to refer to your group and/or your own expertise please use applicant 1, applicant 2 etc. If you would like to refer to your own application, please number them and write the full reference in the space provided on the personal data sheet.
* Scientific background and motivation
* Objectives and expertise
* Envisioned outcome in terms of publications and/or further funding
* Time schedule and financial plan
* Anticipated end of funding of the junior research group at KIT
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**Requirements:**

1. The application can be made by a single YIN member or by a YIN member together with one or more YIN members or YIN alumni.
2. The primary beneficiary needs to be the YIN member, if the partner is a YIN alumnus.
3. The remaining time of the junior researcher group(s) should be sufficient to reach the aims of the proposal.
4. Please note that the money must be spent by **31.12.2025!**

**Selection criteria in the order of importance:**

* Scientific quality
* Feasibility of the project
* Sustainability of the applied project and activities (publications and funding proposals)
* Co-operations with YIN members or alumni are preferred over individual applications
* Transdisciplinarity will have a positive effect in the evaluation but is not compulsory.
* Number of times a YIN member has won a YIN Grant; first-time applications will be preferred but prior application is not a criterion of exclusion

At the latest, one year after approval a report by means of a short presentation at a YIN meeting and a short article for the *YIN Insight* is requested. Title and summary of the approved applications will be published on the public YIN website.

**\* Please be informed that the YIN Grant is an internal funding measure within KIT. Therefore, the same conditions apply as to projects financed by the regular budget. Accordingly, reimbursement of travel costs in particular will be limited in accordance with the statutory law on reimbursement of travel costs (Landesreisekostengesetz).**

Title of the project

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| **Contact data of participating YIN-members and Alumni:**   |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | First name | Surname | Contact details | Anticipated end of funding of the young research group at KIT | |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  | |

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| **Name & Description of the project** (max. 2 pages) !! this part should be anonymous: for names and references please use the previous page !!  Scientific background and motivation: |
| Objectives and expertise**:** |
| Perspective and suitability for follow-up projects: |
| Time schedule and financial plan: |
| Total Cost: |