What must we do today in order to have a good life in future?

A key response to this important question is provided by the United Nations’ 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). These set out ambitious paths to prosperity and sustainability. The SDGs provide orientation, showing us how we should address climate change and assume responsibility for nature. We must get involved in this effort as part of the international community.

We are at the beginning of a new decade. We want to protect our Earth and enable a good life for all. This is why the Green Talents Competition of the Federal Ministry of Education and Research brings together young researchers from around the world who are engaged in excellent interdisciplinary work on environmental topics.

I would, therefore, like to encourage you to help shape a sustainable future as a Green Talent. Contribute your creative and innovative ideas. Take advantage of the possibility of unique access to German sustainability research. Discuss your visions with experts in Germany.

It is only by acting together that we can address the great challenges of our time. This requires international exchange between excellent researchers.

I hope we will receive diverse applications from all continents and fields of research and look forward to welcoming you to Berlin in autumn 2020.

Anja Karliczek
Member of the German Bundestag | Federal Minister of Education and Research

DO YOU HAVE WHAT IT TAKES?

Are you an up-and-coming scientist with innovative ideas and a strong focus on sustainable development?

Does your research have the potential to change the world?

We challenge you to convince our high-ranking expert jury and become one of the 25 Green Talents of 2020!

THE JURY

Professor Dr Maja Göpel
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Professor Dr Anna-Katharina Hornidge
Director of the German Development Institute (DIE)

Christiane Grefe
Author and Journalist with a focus on environment/ecology, DIE ZEIT

Professor Dr Detlef Stammer
Director of the Center for Earth System Research and Sustainability, University of Hamburg

THIS YEAR’S PARTICIPATING INSTITUTIONS

- Universität Hamburg
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- GEOMAR Helmholtz Centre for Ocean Research Kiel
- Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research (MPIDR), Rostock
- Leibniz Institute for Catalysis (LIKAT Rostock)
- Fraunhofer Institute for Computer Graphics Research IGD, Rostock
- Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research (PIK)

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2 p.m. CEST on 19 May 2020
THE AWARD

SCIENCE FORUM
Be invited to Germany for a two-week Science Forum in October 2020 and visit some of the hot spots of sustainability science. This offers you the unique opportunity to get exclusive access to the country’s research landscape. Thereby, you learn about ground-breaking projects on-site and possibilities for cooperation with German experts and facilities.

RESEARCH STAY IN 2021
Take your research a step forward when you are invited to return in 2021 for a fully-funded research stay. Spend up to three months at a German facility of your own choice. Gain new experiences in an inspiring environment and advance your professional career while establishing long-lasting relationships.

REQUIREMENTS
• Enrolment in a master’s or PhD programme or a degree (master’s/PhD) completed no more than three years before the end of the application process
• No more than three years of professional work experience (this excludes professional work experiences gained within the scope of an academic degree)
• Strong focus on sustainable development and an interdisciplinary approach
• Proven excellent command of English
• Significantly above-average grades
• Not a German citizen nor a resident of Germany

INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENTS
As part of the Green Talents Science Forum you will meet leading German experts of your choice in individual appointments. By visiting those experts in their respective facilities to personally discuss your research, you may lay the foundation for future collaborations.

GREEN TALENTS NETWORK
Become part of the unique global Green Talents network of 257 outstanding young minds from 69 different countries. Its active alumni network covers the full spectrum of sustainability science and will help you to exchange your ideas with peers and find new project partners.

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