

Financial support by IMPRS-HD¹

IMPRS-HD may give financial support for a number of occasions. These are the following:

1) One-two **PhD fellowships** every year. These fellowships are expected to be offered to the best applicants every year, enabling them to join also projects which do not have supervisor funding, or to join more than one project during their PhD.

Applicants can be nominated by supervisors who have interviewed the applicant. Suggestions and reasoning have to be included in the [nomination form](#).

The decision whom to offer these grants is done by the IMPRS board.

2) IMPRS-HD may grant **travel support** for IMPRS students. Application for travel support is by sending the [IMPRS travel application form](#) to the coordination office, stating the reasons for the travel, a financial plan for the trip, and providing the signature of the supervisor, all two months in advance of the trip.

Reimbursement of travel costs may be done on an individual basis using the MPIA travel reimbursement form (only applicable for MPIA employees), or as gross reimbursement via IMPRS and the MPIA administration. All original receipts and invoices are needed for reimbursement.

In any case, for insurance reasons, the [travel application form of the home institute](#) must be filled and handed-in at the home institute before the trip.

IMPRS-HD expects supervisors to partly fund the travel of the student.

IMPRS-HD is not financially supporting observation runs or network/collaboration meetings.

3) IMPRS-HD may grant **transition funding** in cases a student wants or needs to change a project. Such funding can be up to 6 month, and must be considered as **“emergency funding”** – just for rare cases where really no other funding is available. The decision will be done by the IMPRS board, and strongly depends on the financial situation of the IMPRS. The following material is needed for the decision well in advance:

- an informal application by the student
- an informal statement by the thesis committee, stating the status of the current project and including a brief progress report. The latter is needed by the board in order to judge about the prospect of starting a new PhD project by the student.
- an informal statement by the new supervisor about the plans of the new project, the feasibility of completing the project and the PhD, and the funding situation (project & institute).

4) IMPRS funding requires IMPRS-HD membership. Computer/hardware or software cannot be funded. Only economy trips can be funded.