Research Fellowship in the field of European Administrative History

"JEV-Fellowship for European Administrative History"

At the end of 2012 Prof. Dr. Erk Volkmar Heyen, Professor of Public Law and European Administrative History at the Ernst-Moritz-Arndt University of Greifswald until his retirement and the editor of the "Jahrbuch für europäische Verwaltungsgeschichte/Yearbook of European Administrative History" (JEV) published from 1989 to 2008, donated a research fellowship in the field of European Administrative History ("The JEV-Fellowship for European Administrative History"). The fellowship falls within the framework of the German University Foundation (Bonn, Germany).

The scholarship is intended to benefit the next generation of scientific researchers, particularly doctoral and post-doctoral students, and specifically for the final phase of their research project for a duration of no longer than 12 months. The scholarship is based on the usual rates for doctoral fellowships of the German Research Foundation (DFG). Should a fellowship be awarded for research abroad, the local conditions will be the determining factor. Marital status will not be deemed a consideration, and neither will travel- nor other costs be reimbursed.

The Board of the German University Foundation decides on and awards the fellowship based on a proposal by a jury. This jury is based at the Max Planck Institute for European Legal History (MPI) in Frankfurt, where the founder worked in the 1980s. Currently the permanent members of the jury are: the Managing Director of the Max Planck Institute, Prof. Dr. Thomas Duve, Prof. Dr. Stefan Brakensiek, Professor of Early Modern History at the Institute for History of the University of Duisburg-Essen, and Priv.-Doz. Dr. Peter Collin, Research Fellow at the Max Planck Institute. The German University Foundation provides for the payment of the fellowships and informs the recipients about the terms and conditions and the legal requirements to be complied with by the recipients in their personal capacities.

Early stage researchers from Germany and abroad are invited to apply. In accordance with the thematic and methodological spectrum covered by the JEV, the scholarship is open to all historical disciplines, provided the research project addresses an aspect of European administrative history from the period of the sixteenth to the twentieth century. The importance of the research topic should impact beyond the national level. Comparative research questions are particularly welcome.

First time applications for a scholarship commencing in January 2014 can be submitted until 30 September 2013; this deadline also applies to the succeeding years unless otherwise specified. Applications in English or German should be sent in electronic form to: Priv.-Doz. Dr. Peter Collin, collin@rg.mpg.de. The application, which must also include an indication of the duration for which the fellowship should run, is to be accompanied by the following documents: a curriculum vitae in tabular form with detailed information on the nature and the chronology of university studies together with the respective examination results achieved (copies of results to be enclosed) and, where applicable, a list of scientific publications written or hitherto contributed to; a detailed description of the research project including a detailed outline of the contents of the intended publication, a detailed report on the current development of the project and the status of publication, including the reasons for any (possible) delay in its completion; extensive excerpts from the current document; information on the current financing of the research project as well as on past or pending applications for funding of the project; a precise timetable for the completion of the writing of the publication. Furthermore care is to be taken that at least one expert opinion from a university lecturer on both the individual researcher and the research project as such be submitted directly to the jury.

The MPI provides fellowship recipients with work opportunities in its library. Fellows are given the opportunity to present their research projects to the public at the Institute and to discuss the projects with the latter. With the expiration of the fellowship the recipient is to submit a report on the status of the publication/book. The MPI provides for the publication of the funded book in one of its publication series, provided the Institute's required quality standards are met. The book is to make reference to the support provided by the "JEV-Fellowship for European Administrative History" in the imprint or in the preface.

Donations to financially support and, if possible, extend the level of support of the fellowship are most welcome. These can be paid into the following account of the German University Foundation: Bank für Sozialwirtschaft, account number: 1140200 (BLZ: 37020500; BIC: BFSWDE33XXX; IBAN: DE4737020500001140200), Password: "Spende Erk-Volkmar-Heyen-Stiftungsfonds". The German University Foundation will issue the required receipt confirming the donation, if the postal address is provided. Should a permanent increase of fund assets be preferred, the password to be used is "Zustiftung Erk-Volkmar-Heyen-Stiftungsfonds".