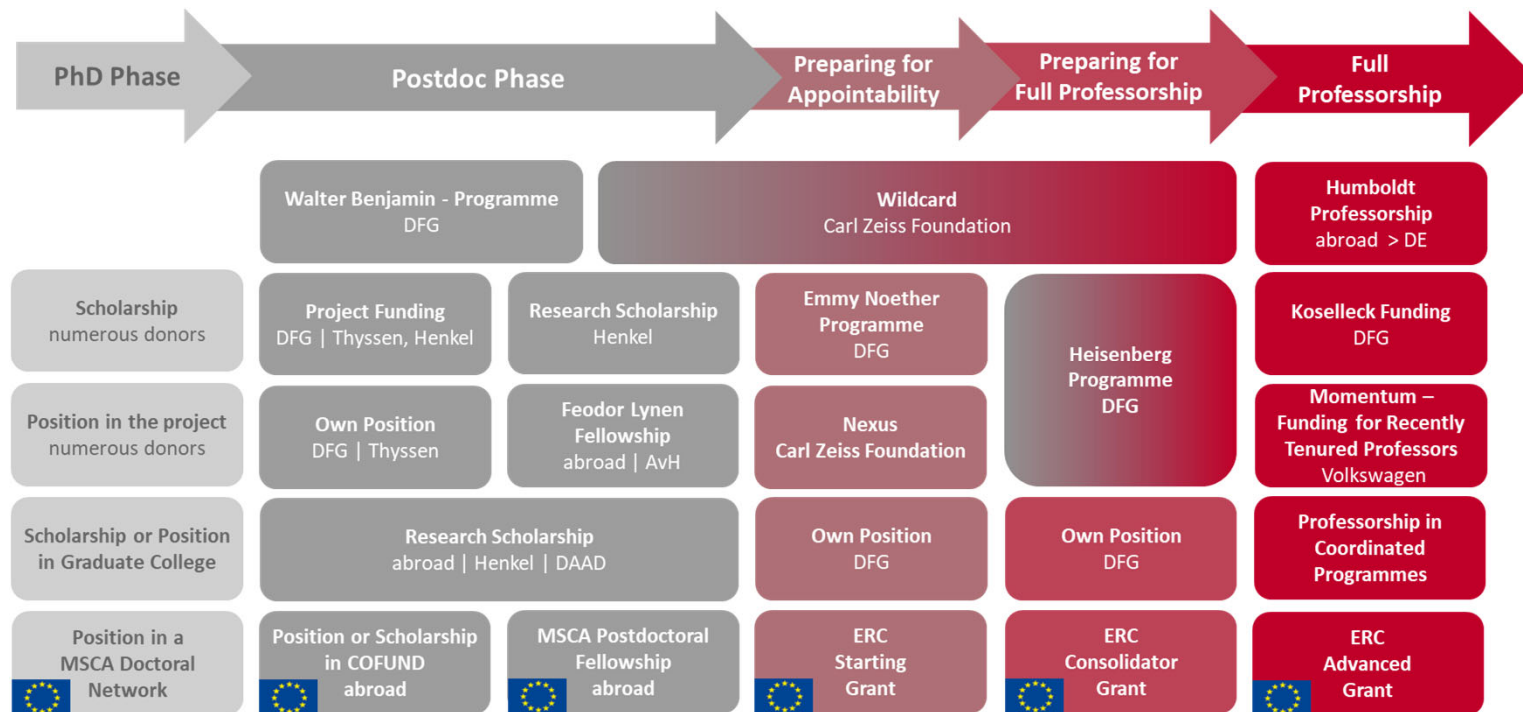


German & European Funding Opportunities

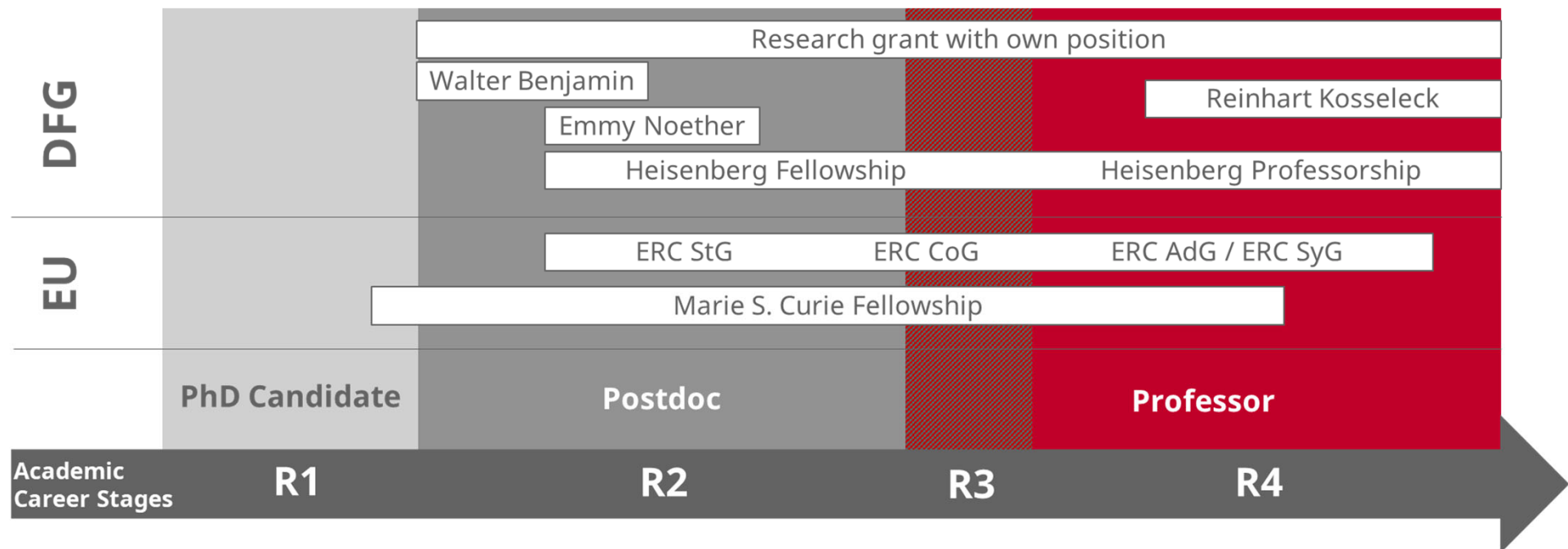
For Postdoctoral Researchers

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Overview: Funding Opportunities



When to apply for what?



DFG: Research Grant with own position

- http://www.dfg.de/formulare/52_02/52_02_en.pdf
 - allows the project leader to focus exclusively on a research project
 - For persons applying from abroad, a statement from the german host institution must be included.
 - In the case of first-time applications, the project-specific experience of the applicant takes a back seat during the evaluation, while the personal potential and the quality of the proposed project are given greater.
 - duration of funding: **three years**
 - submission possible at any time
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DFG: Walter Benjamin Programme

- For early career researchers
 - Allows you to focus exclusively on a research project in the location of your choice, at home or abroad.
 - For persons applying from abroad, a statement from the German host institution must be included.
 - In the case of first-time applications, the project-specific experience of the applicant takes a back seat during the evaluation, while the personal potential and the quality of the proposed project are given greater weight.
 - Duration of funding **max. two years** (exceptionally 1 year extension)
 - Submission possible at any time
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DFG: Emmy Noether – Research Group

- Doctorate may not be more than four years old (Dr. med. 6 years)
 - Applicants with excellent doctorate, very good scientific background, extensive international research experience
 - Not applicable for Junior professors with positive interim evaluations and holders of comparable qualifying professorships
 - Foreign applicants must confirm that they wish to continue their academic career in Germany.
 - Modules: Emmy Noether junior research group leader and basic module, additional modules are possible.
 - Duration of funding **max. six years.**
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European Research Council | ERC



- excellent frontier research
- any nationality, age, field of research
- **scientific excellence** as sole award criterion
- Starting Grants, Consolidator Grants, (Advanced Grants, Synergy Grants)
- part of Horizon Europe, budget of 16 Billion € (2021-2027)
- 100% funding, no own contribution
- research proposal needs to be **ground-breaking, ambitious, feasible**
- host institution must be located in EU-Member State or Associated Country
- yearly calls, 2-step evaluation with interview

ERC Starting Grant



- for promising early-career researchers 2-7 years after PhD
- support for **starting** your **own independent research team** or programme
- up to 1,5 Mio € for 5 years (+ 1 Mio €)
- profile of PI: research independence, maturity -> at least one important publication as main author or without PhD supervisor; promising track record (up to 5 publication)
- working time commitment to project: 50%
- rules for submission can be found in the current work programme

DFG Heisenberg Programme

- For researchers who are eligible for appointment to a professorship and who have achieved outstanding research results.
 - Upon admission to the Heisenberg Programme, applicants can choose from four different types of funding or combine them as needed, provided that the relevant requirements are met.
 - Heisenberg position (II 2.1)
 - Heisenberg temporary replacement position for physicians (II 2.2)
 - Heisenberg professorship (II. 2.3)
 - Heisenberg Fellowship (II. 2.4)
 - The funding period is usually **five years**.
 - Submission possible at any time
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ERC Consolidator Grant



- for promising early-career researchers 7-12 years after PhD
- support for consolidating your own independent research team or programme
- up to 2 Mio € for 5 years (+ 1 Mio €)
- profile of PI: research independence, maturity -> at least several important publication as main author or without PhD supervisor; promising track record (up to 10 publication)
- working time commitment to project: 40%
- rules for submission can be found in the current work programme

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