# Vienna Research Groups for Young Investigators

# Call 2018

The 9<sup>th</sup> Vienna Research Groups for Young Investigators call 2018 is issued for a maximum of three group leader positions.

- It addresses Vienna-based universities and research institutions that intend to hire an excellent young researcher from abroad for settingup and managing of an independent research group. Active recruitment procedures are mandatory.
- This group shall strive to improve the understanding of substantial current scientific research questions in the field of Information and Communication Technology with potential medium term economic or social benefits.
- WWTF encourages Vienna-based research institutions to propose women who show potential to act as group leaders.
- WWTF takes unconventional research careers into consideration.
- WWTF in total grants a maximum of three positions with up to € 1.6 million for six to eight years per research group. In total, € 4.8 million are dedicated to this call.

Please submit proposals online only by 2 pm, July 12, 2018.

All interested parties are cordially invited to an open Proposers' Day on April 5, 2018, 10 am - 12 noon, Schlickgasse 3/8, 1090 Wien.

Detailed information is available online at www.wwtf.at



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## WWTF Vienna Research Groups for Young Investigators Call 2018 "Information and Communication Technology" Focus and Key Facts

The ninth call of the Vienna Research Groups programme encourages scientific research in the field of Information and Communication Technology. This programme targets high-quality scientific projects with no guaranteed short-term payoff but targeting an area where there is a recognized problem affecting society, economy and/ or technology. The call addresses universities and research institutions in Vienna.

### Main characteristics of a Vienna Research Group:

- A Vienna Research Group is typically the **first "genuine" group** led by a young researcher who undertakes leadership responsibility for several group members. It enables the group members to take the next step in their careers.
- Vienna Research Group leaders are in general **two to eight years** after PhD; care duties may extend this period up to four years.
- Vienna Research Group leaders are independent in designing their research and recruiting their staff.
- The prospective host institution in Vienna provides a **clear-cut career plan**. Particularly in the second phase (i.e. years 6, 6-7 or 6-8) the home institution supports the Vienna Research Group by way of **increased con-tributions** (in addition to the WWTF funding).

### Important facts about the call:

- The call aims at proposals that improve the understanding of substantial current scientific research questions in the field of Information and Communication Technology and its application fields, and address either Information Technologies or Communication Technologies or both. Proposals may come from science, engineering and application fields.
- The call process comprises the submission of a concise proposal and a hearing of selected candidates.
- A job announcement—e.g. in a high impact journal that is relevant for the topic and/or via professional societies/mailing lists—is obligatory.
- The successful appointment of a woman can be rewarded with a financial benefit for the Vienna host institution in order to support their gender mainstreaming activities. WWTF also offers support in dual career advice.

Schedule:	Submission Deadline	July 12, 2018, 2 pm
	Hearings $\delta$ Jury Meeting	December 2018
	Announcement of Decision	December 2018

For more details kindly refer to "WWTF Funding Guidelines for the Vienna Research Groups Programme" and to the "Guide for Writing a Proposal for the Vienna Research Groups Programme" both available online at www.wwtf.at.

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