



EXZELLENZ VERBINDET – BE PART OF A WORLDWIDE NETWORK

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WHAT WE DO

- Academic collaborations between excellent international and German researchers
- Sponsorship throughout lifetime
- A network of 30,000 alumni worldwide
- International understanding, diplomacy, scientific progress and development
- Internationalization of Germany as a research location



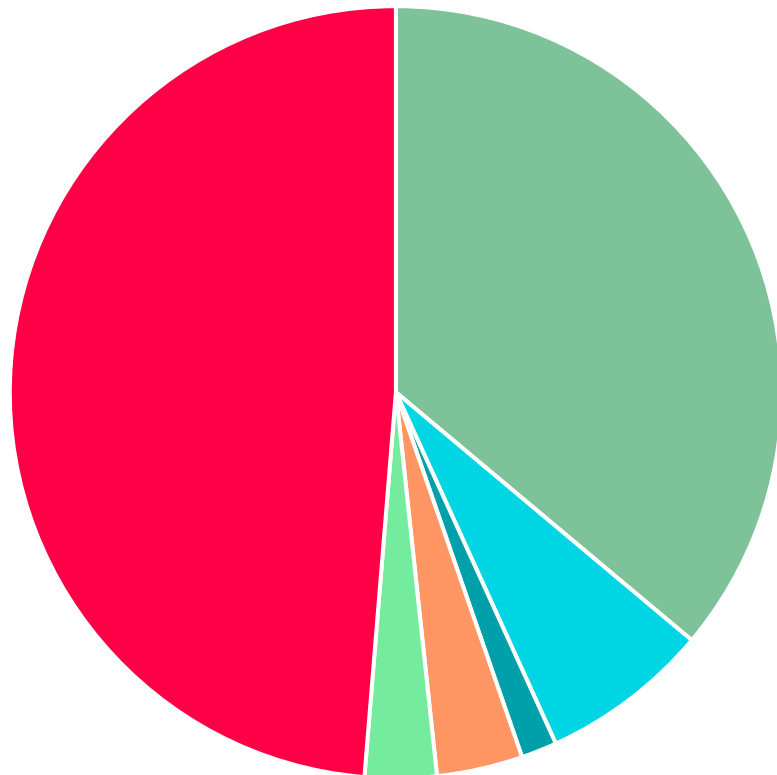
OUR PRINCIPLES

- No quotas, neither for individual countries nor for specific academic disciplines
- The only thing that counts is the applicant's academic record.
- We support people, not projects.



HUMBOLDT FOUNDATION FINANCING

Budget 2024*: approx. 165.9 mill. euros, 97 percent financed through federal funds



AA	32,7 %
BMZ	7,0 %
AA (IKI)	1,5 %
EU	4,4 %
Others	2,9 %
BMBF	51,5 %

AA: Federal Foreign Office
BMBF: Federal Ministry of Education and Research
BMZ: Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development
IKI: Internationale Klimaschutzinitiative (International Climate Initiative)

* according to the 2024 budget



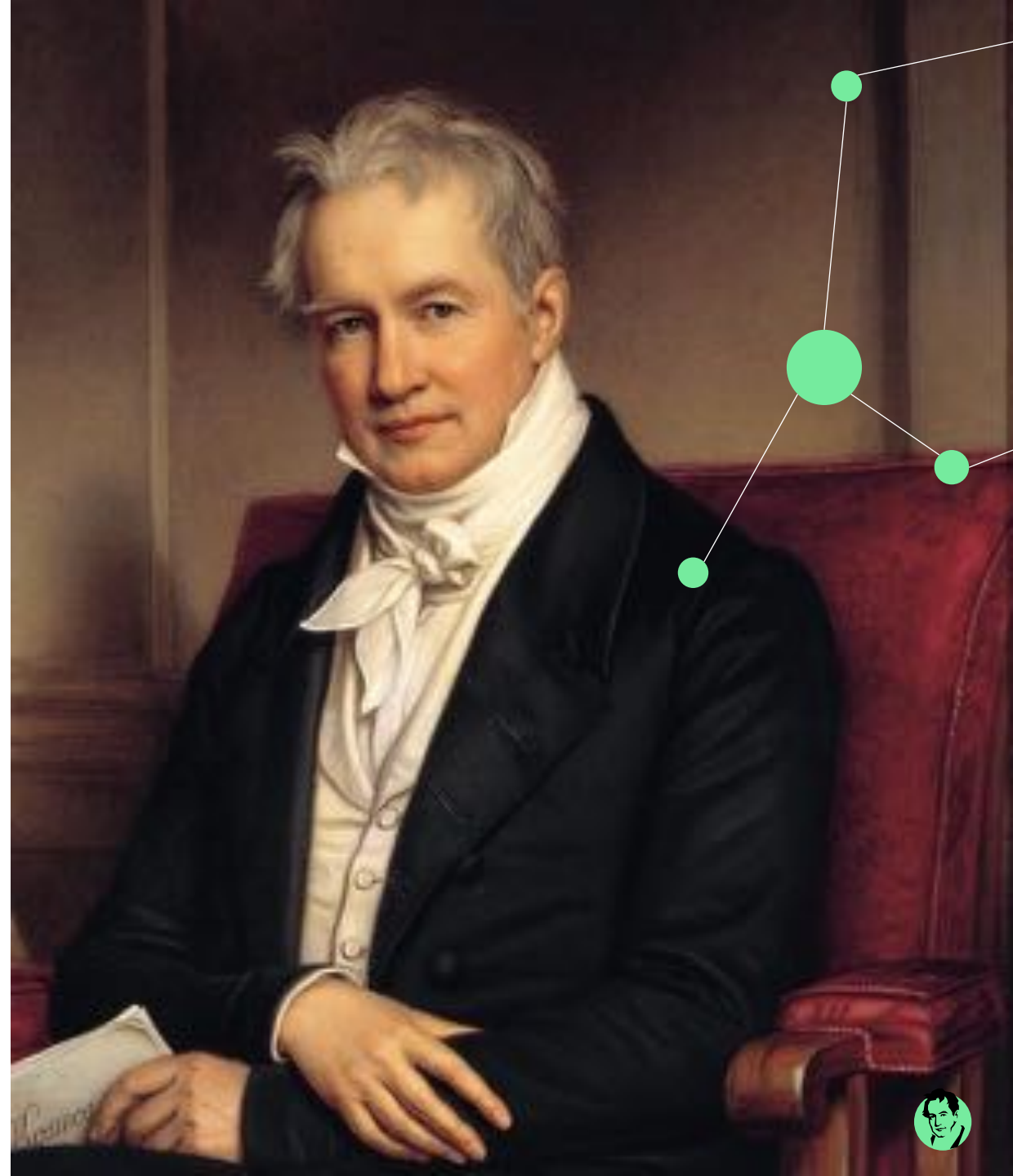
OUR ROOTS

Alexander von Humboldt (1769 – 1859):

explorer, universal genius, cosmopolitan
and sponsor of excellent scientific talent

1953: Establishment of today's Alexander
von Humboldt Foundation, based in Bonn
Bad-Godesberg

International network of academic
cooperation, modelled on Humboldt

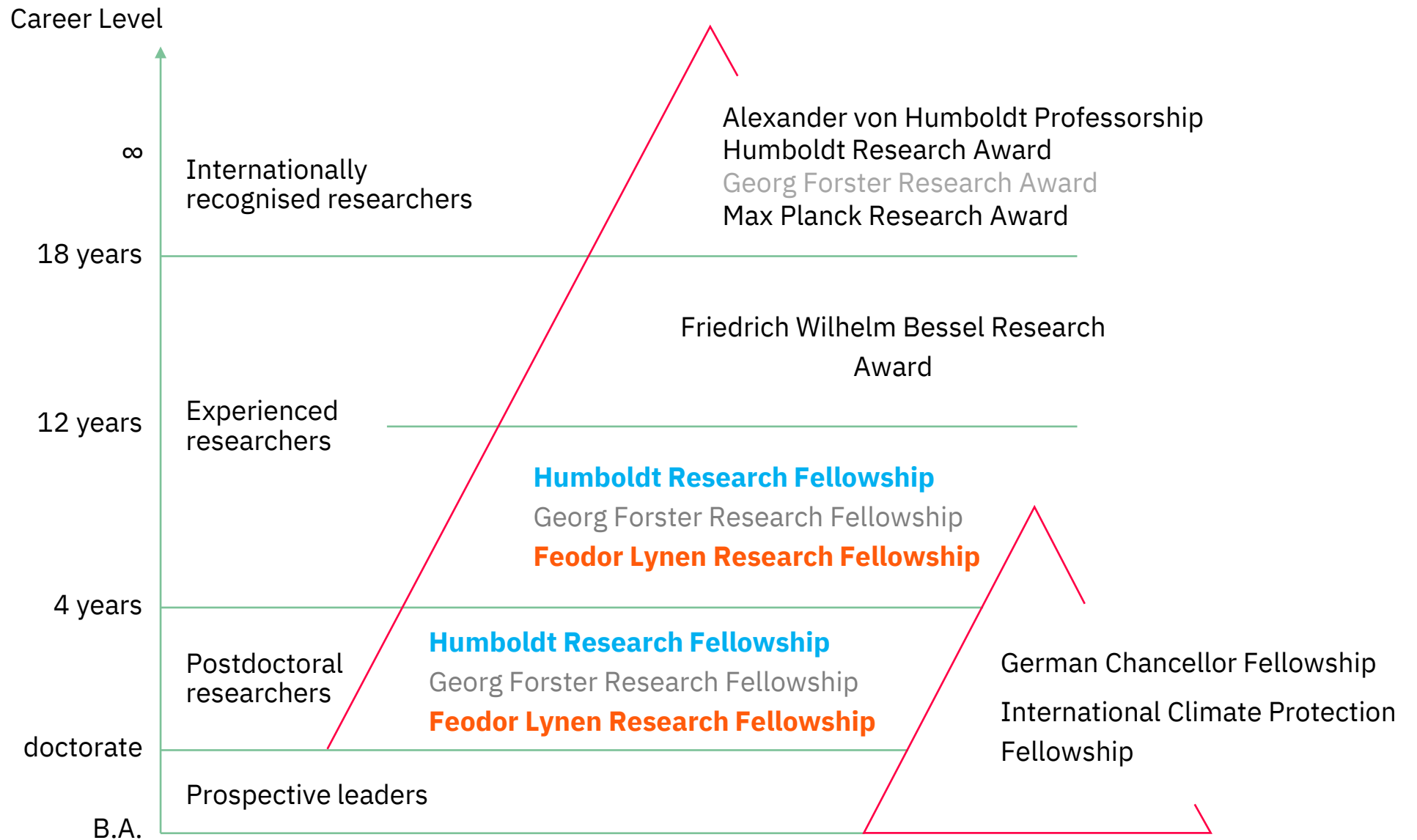


SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

- Research topic and academic host / unrestricted selection of collaborative partner in Germany
- From postdocs via experienced researchers to world leaders: research fellowships and research awards for every career situation



PROGRAMMES AT A GLANCE



RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

Humboldt Research Fellowship (for research stays in Germany)

Feodor Lynen Research Fellowship (for research stays abroad)

	Postdoctoral researchers	Experienced researchers
Duration of sponsorship	<ul style="list-style-type: none">6 to 24 months, may be divided in up to 3 stays	<ul style="list-style-type: none">6 to 18 months, may be divided in up to 3 stays
Application period	<ul style="list-style-type: none">applications on a rolling basis, up until 4 years after doctorate	<ul style="list-style-type: none">applications on a rolling basis, up until 12 years after doctorate
Fellowship amount	<ul style="list-style-type: none">€2,700 per month (+ additional benefits)depending on family status and country of destination (fellowship calculator on the website)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">€3,200 per month (+ additional benefits)depending on family status and country of destination (fellowship calculator on the website)



APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Postdoctoral researchers

- above average doctorate
- academic publications
- agreement by academic host
- independent research proposal
- knowledge of German and/or English

Experienced researchers

- independent academic activity, e.g. as an assistant professor
- comprehensive list of academic publications with own, clearly defined academic profile
- agreement by academic host
- independent research proposal
- knowledge of German and/or English



APPLICATION PROCEDURE

- online applications at any time to the Foundation directly
- assessment by independent peer reviewers
- decision by independent selection committees
- duration of procedure: approximately 4 to 7 months



BENEFITS PROVIDED

- fellowship
- travel lump sum
- language courses*
- benefits for families
- benefits for researchers with disabilities or chronic illnesses*
- allowance for research costs for the host institute*

(*not applicable to Feodor Lynen Research Fellowships)



BENEFITS PROVIDED

- intensive and individual mentoring in Germany and abroad by personal contacts at the Foundation
- study tour*, network meeting, annual meeting
- return fellowships**
- alumni sponsorship

(*not applicable to Feodor Lynen Research Fellowships)

(** not applicable to Humboldt Research Fellows from France)



ALUMNI

“Once a Humboldtian – always a Humboldtian

Alumni abroad

- more than 30,000 Humboldtians in over 140 countries
- alumni sponsorship and international networking through e.g.
 - Renewed Research Stays
 - Humboldt Colloquia and Kollegs
 - Humboldt Alumni Award



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Lynen Alumni

- ~ 3000 Lynen Alumni in Germany
- alumni sponsorship and international networking through e.g.
 - Return Fellowships
 - Renewed Research Stays
 - Invitations to Members of the Humboldt Network to Germany
 - Printing Subsidies



OUR NETWORK

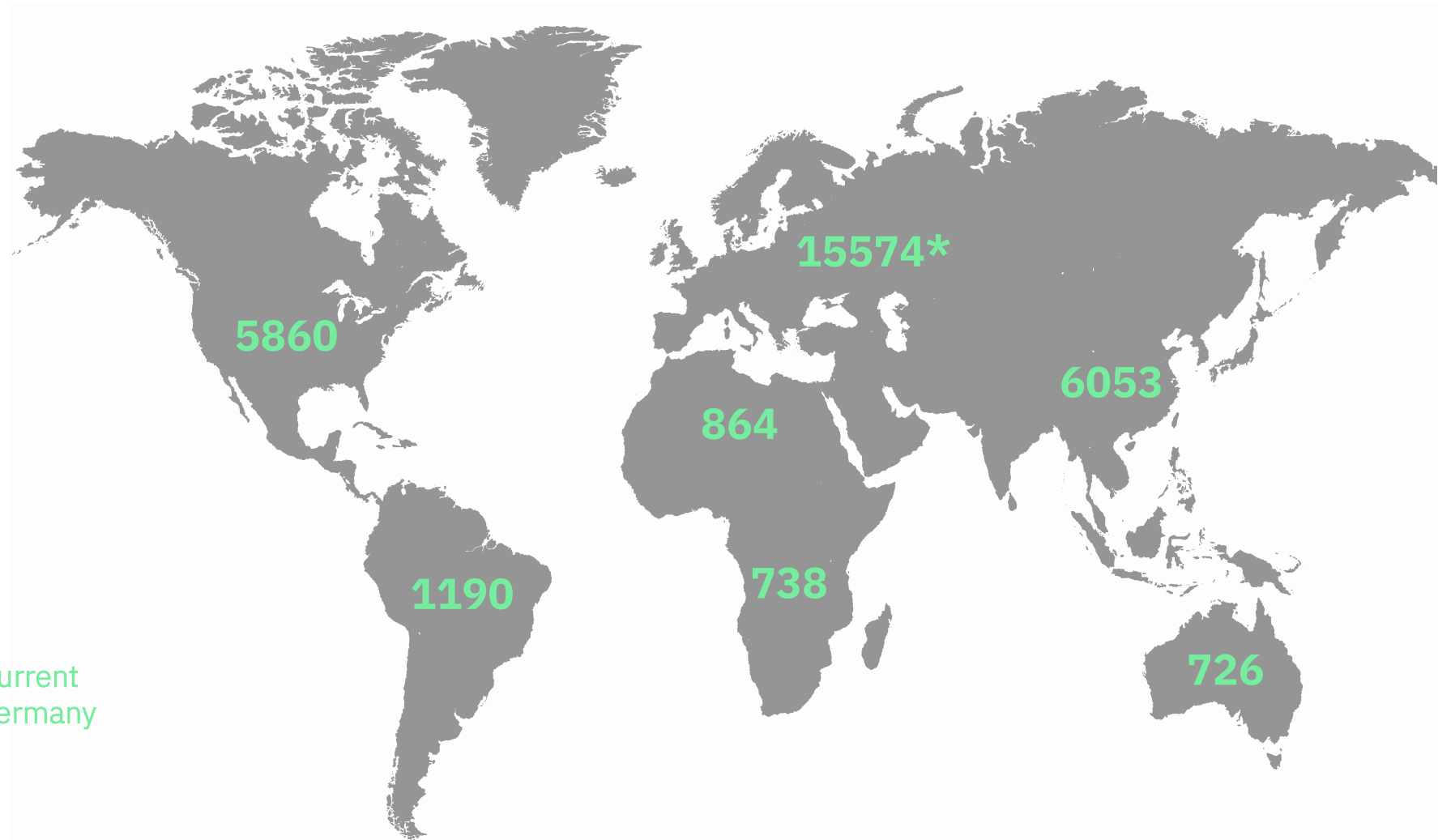
**“IDEAS CAN ONLY BEAR FRUIT
IF THEY TAKE ROOT IN MANY
MINDS.”**

Alexander von Humboldt

- World-spanning Humboldt Network transcending the boundaries of disciplines and countries
- Scientific solutions to the challenges of our times
- A network of trust and understanding

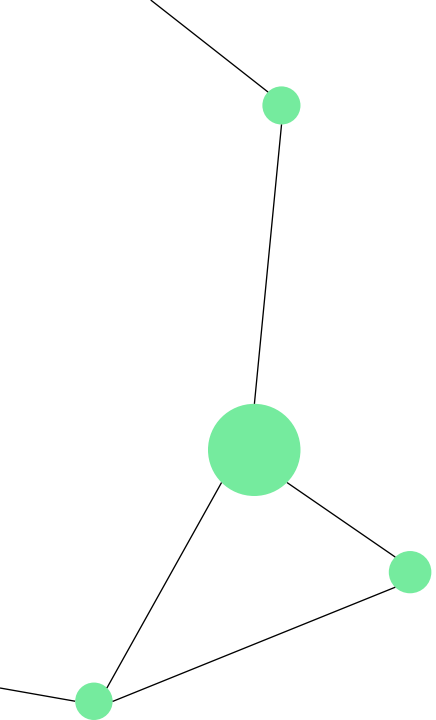


OUR NETWORK



*including current
fellows in Germany





30,000

Humboldtians across the world

61

Nobel Laureates

40

conferences and meetings across the
globe every year

109

Humboldt alumni associations
worldwide



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950

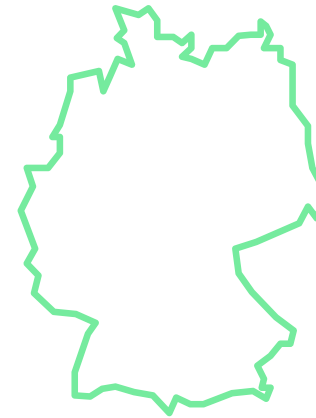
awards and
fellowships every year



Alumni in more than

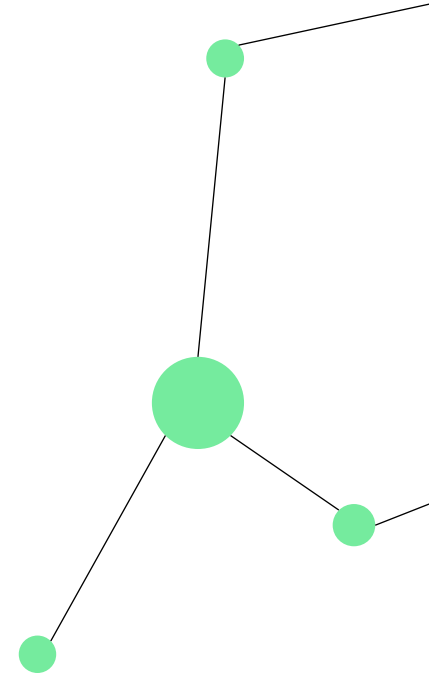
140

countries



2,300

Research stays in
Germany every year





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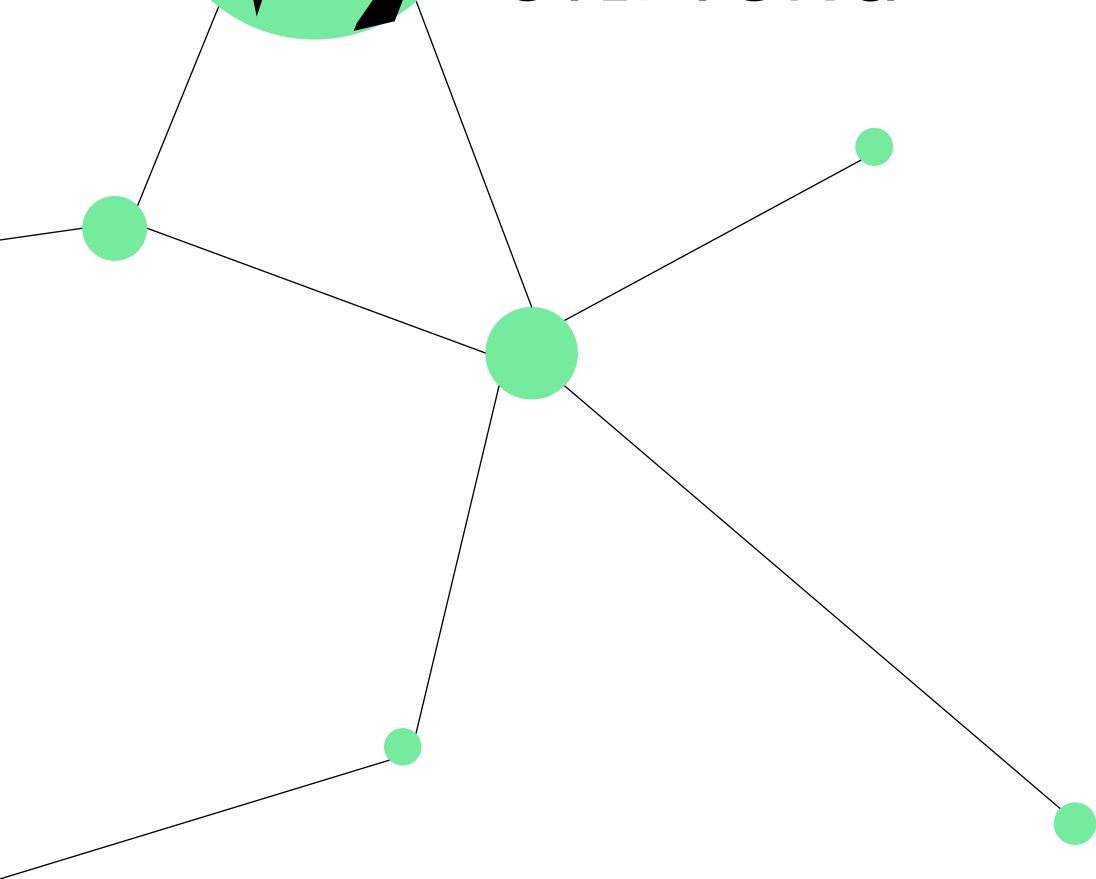
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