

PROCOPE MOBILITE 2026

Call for proposal

Mobility grants to France for young researchers affiliated with a German university or research institution

1. Presentation and objectives

The Office for Science and Technology of the French Embassy in Germany aims to strengthen Franco-German cooperation in research and innovation by supporting the mobility of young researchers.

The Procope Mobility program specifically supports the mobility of young researchers affiliated with a laboratory or research institute in Germany to France. These mobility grants will enable them to conduct research in a laboratory or research institute in France. **All research fields are eligible.**

2. Duration of the research stay

The mobility grant will fund a stay of one, two, or three months, **beginning no earlier than May 18, 2026, and no later than December 31, 2026.**

Applicants will be asked to indicate their desired stay duration on the application form and to justify this choice in relation to their objectives and planned program.

The number of three-month grants is limited. Awarding them will depend on the number of applications received and the ranking of applications by the selection committee.

3. Eligibility conditions

French citizens, including binational citizens, are not eligible for the program.

Applicants must:

- be affiliated with a German university or research institution;
- be doctoral students, postdoctoral researchers, or early-career researchers, within 5 years of defending their thesis (parental and sick leave periods are taken into account).

4. Evaluation criteria

The evaluation criteria are as follows:

- scientific quality of the research project;
- added value of the mobility period for the broader research project;
- contributions to Franco-German cooperation;
- prospects for the project's valorization and/or transfer (societal, economic, technological, territorial).

In the case of equivalent rankings, particular attention will be paid to applications:

- whose theme aligns with the priorities of [France 2030](#);
- and/or involving an institution located in the new German states (Brandenburg, Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania, Saxony, Saxony-Anhalt, Thuringia);
- and/or involving two partner institutions that are members [of the same European University Alliance](#);
- and/or applications whose research receives less funding.

5. Amount of the mobility scholarship

Recipients will receive a fixed monthly allowance of €1,850 for doctoral students and €2,100 for other applicants (subject to change based on the 2026 budget allocation).

The mobility grant will be paid through an agreement between the beneficiary and the French Embassy, to the bank account specified by the beneficiary in the agreement. It is intended to cover travel and living expenses. It is strongly recommended to use the least polluting mode of transport possible.

Recipients undertaking a stay in an overseas territory may apply for exceptional financial assistance to cover travel expenses, but this is not guaranteed.

6. Host institution

The organization that agrees to receive the candidate is a laboratory or research institute located in France, which will be responsible for making all the necessary arrangements for the stay of the scholarship recipient within its establishment, including, where applicable, research security.

7. Application submission

Applicants must submit their application by January 12, 2026 (11:59 p.m. Paris time): - Complete the application form in French, German or English (automatic translation) on the LYYTI application platform (editable until the deadline); - Upload the application (written in English) to the [LYYTI](#) application platform **as a single PDF file and in the following order:**

- Project presentation **based on the aforementioned document: « SST_PROCOPE MOBI 2026_Application File Template_Project outline** (to be downloaded on the Procope Mobility page on the website)¹ ;
- A CV (maximum two pages);
- Proof of doctoral enrollment (for current doctoral students) or the doctoral degree (for recent PhD graduates) and the postdoctoral contract or proof of affiliation with a German higher education and research institution (for recent PhD graduates);
- A single letter of recommendation signed by the thesis director (for doctoral candidates) or supervisor (for recent PhD graduates), and the laboratory director if applicable (when the supervisor is also the laboratory director, only one signature is required);
- A letter of invitation from the host laboratory signed by the supervisor, and the laboratory director if applicable (when the supervisor is also the laboratory director, only one signature is required).

Only complete applications that adhere to the required format will be considered. **To facilitate processing, please name the file in the following format: PROCOPE MOBI 2026_Last Name First Name**

Note: For letters from both the home and host institutions, in addition to the recommendation, details of the application's potential for collaboration between the laboratories and research teams are expected. When the supervisor is also the laboratory director, only one signature is required.

8. Administrative procedure

Provisional timeline:

November 2025 – January 2026:
Application Period

January 2026 – March 2026:
Evaluation and Selection Period

Early April 2026:

¹ The document can be downloaded from the following page: <https://www.science-allemagne.fr/cooperation-franco-allemande-2/les-programmes-de-mobilite-procope/procope-mobilite/>

Notification of Results

April 2026 – July 2026:
Preparation and Signing of Agreements

May 2025 – December 2026:
Start of Research Stays

Administrative Procedure After Notification of Results:

After notification of results, successful candidates will receive an email inviting them to provide the necessary information for the preparation of the agreements. **The following documents must be attached in a single PDF file of less than 1 MB:**

- A valid national identity card or passport;
- A residence permit for successful candidates from a country outside the European Union, if applicable;
- A bank statement clearly indicating the recipient's address, as well as the IBAN and BIC codes of the bank account into which the grant payment will be made. For the bank statement, it is advisable to contact your bank as soon as you receive notification of the results to obtain a statement with the information requested above, which is necessary for creating your profile as a beneficiary.

As the agreement process can be lengthy, we ask recipients to ensure they provide all the required information in the specified format.

Recipients beginning their research stay between May 15 and June 15 will be given priority for the preparation and signing of their agreement in order to receive the mobility grant as quickly as possible.

9. Activity report

Those benefiting from the mobility program must send an activity report to attachement-science.berlin-amba@diplomatie.gouv.fr no later than one month after the end of the research stay, [based on the following model](#).

10. Information webinar

An informational webinar will take place on Monday, December 8th (2:00 PM Paris time)

SST Berlin vous invite à une réunion Zoom programmée.

Sujet: Procope Mobilite

Heure: 8 déc. 2025 02:00 PM Amsterdam, Berlin, Rome, Stockholm, Vienne

Participer à la réunion Zoom

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