

**Ph.D. Research Grant Announcement 2020**  
**-- Call for Applications --**

The **Orient-Institut Istanbul** is pleased to invite applications for Ph.D. research grants for 2020. The purpose of the grant is the support of field research in Istanbul/Turkey for Ph.D. students not living in Turkey. Grants are available to support research in one of the research areas of the Institute including the following research fields:

1. **Musicological research on the Ottoman Empire and Turkey**
2. **Narrative sources on Istanbul and the Ottoman Empire**
3. **Historic and contemporary forms of religious expression in Anatolia since the 11<sup>th</sup> century**
4. **Sociolinguistics**
5. **Human, medicine, and society, in cooperation with ITAS at the Karlsruhe Institute of Technology**
6. **Manuscript cultures of the Ottoman Empire and Iran, in cooperation with the Excellence Cluster “Understanding Written Artefacts” at the University of Hamburg**

The research grant consists of a monthly stipend of € **1,100** for the duration of **usually six months**. Travel expenses to and from Turkey will be reimbursed. Start of the scholarship should be at latest **November 1, 2020**.

Prospective applicants are expected to hold an M.A. degree in a related academic discipline. A complete application must specify the necessity of conducting research in Istanbul or elsewhere in Turkey and include a detailed time frame for the envisioned research.

A good command of Turkish or other source languages necessary for the proposed project is expected. As the Orient-Institut Istanbul aims at creating an open and supportive academic environment, stipend holders are expected to attend colloquia and conferences organized by the Institute and to give a public presentation of their research. Research stays outside of Istanbul must be coordinated with the director.

Applications must be submitted by **January 5, 2020** in electronic format (one PDF) to the following address:

Prof. Dr. Raoul Motika  
Director of the Orient-Institut Istanbul  
By email  
[oiist@oiist.org](mailto:oiist@oiist.org)

**Complete applications** must include the following:

- Cover letter
- CV
- Outline of the Ph.D./ research project
- Explanatory statement and research schedule for the stay in Istanbul/Turkey
- Letter of recommendation written by an academic supervisor and send directly to the email address of the Orient-Institut Istanbul
- Copy of M.A. diploma
- Documentation of proficiency in Turkish or another relevant source language