“Back-to-Research Grant” program for female researchers

On behalf of the president’s office, the Center for Gender Equality is announcing four grants for the year 2014 for post-doctoral researchers in the faculties/faculty clusters listed below.

Target group:

- **Post-doctoral researchers** in the fields listed below who reduced or interrupted their academic research in the past 5 years in order to **care for their child/children**.
- Upon meeting the first requirement, the following are eligible:
  - Female researchers without a long-term contract (project assistants or postdocs at the end of a contract with the University of Vienna),
  - Female researchers who (e.g. for familial reasons) came to Vienna from abroad and are looking to restart/continue research.

Faculties/faculty clusters

- Faculty of Earth Sciences, Geography and Astronomy
- Faculty of Life Sciences
- Faculty of Mathematics & Faculty of Computer Science
- Faculty of Physics & Faculty of Chemistry

Objective:

The grant provides support for researchers writing applications for research projects that serve their career development and/or writing/completing publications.

Application and selection process:

- Academic curriculum vitae (max. 3 pages + publication list)
- Cover letter
- Work plan

The application period ends on October 31, 2013.

Applicants are chosen by a selection committee specific to the faculty.

Duration and compensation:

- The grant can be used from January 2014 in a period between 6 and a maximum of 12 months with a flexible organization of working time (also beyond the end of the calendar year)
- The amount of the grant is 20,000 euros, which is paid through a freelance contract for services.¹
- In addition, funding for a 2-hour lectureship will be made available at the end of the grant.²

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¹The freelance contract does not establish an employment relationship with the University of Vienna. The payment arrangements can be adjusted to childcare subsidy regulations where applicable. For more detailed information on freelance contracts for service see: [http://personalwesen.univie.ac.at/themen-a-z/freie-dienstvertraege-werkvertraege/freie-dienstnehmerinnen](http://personalwesen.univie.ac.at/themen-a-z/freie-dienstvertraege-werkvertraege/freie-dienstnehmerinnen)

²Since teaching is rarely provided within third-party projects, project assistants may be faced with the problem that they are unable to acquire the necessary teaching experience for their habilitation or an appointment.