



Call for nominations 2023 Franziska Braun Prize by the *Carlo und Karin Giersch-Stiftung* (Giersch foundation)

The **Gender Equality Prize of TU Darmstadt** is endowed with **EUR 25,000** and creates incentives for **best ideas to attract**:

- Female students to STEM subjects;
- Female scientists to academic career paths, professorships and leadership positions.

Innovative ideas are made visible and honoured, while financial resources to enhance and continue existing projects are awarded. The questions listed below are used for guidance:

What projects support the **cultural change** necessary to make **fair equality of opportunity** possible throughout the University?

How can the **structures be changed towards fairer equality of opportunity**?

What **ideas and best practice models** are there for **attracting women to research and teaching** at TU Darmstadt?



We explicitly encourage to consider additional **diversity aspects** that are related to **gender** in a **multidimensional manner**.

The Franziska Braun Prize is not awarded to individuals, but is given to **organisational units** (such as departments, institutes and central services working closely in the areas of teaching and research) or **groups of people** (such as collaborative research projects, research groups and student initiatives) in charge. Nominations for this Prize can refer to concepts, measures, projects, processes or other equality-enhancing approaches already under way, including specific ideas. The proposed nominations can be established on all qualification levels ("from female students to female professors").

Criteria for awarding the Franziska Braun Prize

- Quality of the idea;
- Quality of implementation and/or feasibility;
- Feedback and/or success;
- Transferability.

Projects already receiving funding must demonstrate how this new application differs and goes beyond the already sponsored areas.

Applications can be submitted up until 15 October 2023 (inclusive).
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The winner of the Franziska Braun Prize is chosen by the **Advisory Council on Research-oriented Equality of Opportunity** of TU Darmstadt. The decision is made in a **two-tier application procedure**. The **deadline** for submitting an application (3-5 pages) is **15 October 2023**. Based on the applications, the Advisory Council will decide in its November 2023 meeting which projects will be invited to give a presentation. The project presentation will take place in May 2024. The Prize will be awarded at the end of the summer semester 2024.

Amount, allocation and use of prize money

By a resolution of the *Carlo und Karin Giersch-Stiftung*, the Franziska Braun Prize is endowed with EUR 25,000 and is generally awarded in full as a single prize. The Prize is allotted to the prize-winning organisational unit or group and can be spent freely in connection with the awarded project.

Right to propose

All members and organisational units of TU Darmstadt have the right to propose. It is permissible for organisational units (such as departments, central services etc.) to propose themselves.

Awarding

The Advisory Council on Research-oriented Equality of Opportunity of TU Darmstadt serves as jury of the Franziska Braun Prize. Members of the Executive Board have no voting rights. Generally, the Prize is awarded every two years following a call for nominations.

Presentation of the Prize

The Prize comes with a certificate in addition to the prize money. The Prize is presented at TU Darmstadt during a ceremony by the President of TU Darmstadt and the *Carlo und Karin Giersch-Stiftung*. Increasing the visibility of the awarded project is an important goal of this Prize. Hence, public relations plays a central role during the presentation of the Prize.

Schedule 2023 – 2024

- Summer 2023: Call for nominations
- 15 October 2023: Deadline for submitting the application (3-5 pages)
- November 2023: Shortlist of projects to be presented in May
- May 2024: Presentation of projects during the Advisory Council's meeting
- Summer 2024: Presentation of the Prize during a festive ceremony.

We are looking forward to your nominations!

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For more information on how to nominate and apply:

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