Template: Equal opportunity funds

With it’s Equal Opportunity Funds, the Volkswagen Foundation supports grantees and their staff over the duration of projects funded by the Foundation: The funds aim at measures that serve to compensate for disadvantages at an individual level and/or aim to strengthen diversity in the research system in general. It is important that the funded measures go beyond the usual activities that can be expected within the framework of a funded project.

Note: This template will be reviewed internally by the Foundation. This only takes place *after* a positive assessment of the actual project application. The approval or rejection of equal opportunities funding therefore has no influence on the basic funding decision.

Length: Please answer questions with a maximum of 150 words each (also in the case of applications with multiple Co-PI’s).

Which of the diversity dimensions formulated by the Volkswagen Foundation do you consider to be particularly relevant in the context of your project? Please explain why you see a specific need for support.

[Please write your text here]

To what extent do the Equal opportunity funds enable you to implement measures that contribute to the goals of the Volkswagen Foundation (individual compensation for disadvantages or strengthening diversity in the research system) that would otherwise not be possible?

[Please write your text here]

How do you plan to integrate your measures into the existing structures and activities of your institution(s) and what potential synergies do you see here?

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