

Guidelines

for the Review of Scientific Networks



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I Programme Information

Scientific networks offer researchers at all career stages the opportunity to engage in multi-year scientific exchange and cooperation on a topic area of their choice across locations for the purpose of attaining a specific outcome (cf. Guidelines – Scientific Networks with Proposal Preparation Instructions, DFG form 1.03)

www.dfg.de/formulare/1_03

Please note:

General Guidelines for Reviews (DFG form 10.20) are available at:

www.dfg.de/formulare/10_20

The review should not exceed two pages in length.

II Structure of the Review

1. How would you assess the **quality of the network**, especially with regard to originality and the anticipated contribution to knowledge?
2. Are the **network objectives** and **proposed outcome** convincing? Are the **research topics to be addressed during the working meetings** well reasoned?
3. Does the proposal adequately address the **programme objectives** (which are to promote networking between researchers in early career phases and to focus on interdisciplinary or strategic research questions and/or international objectives)?
4. How would you assess the **composition of the group**? How do you rate the preliminary work and quality of publications (cf. Guidelines for Publication Lists)? How well qualified are the **network members**?
5. Please provide a **clear recommendation** as to whether funding should be approved and comment on the appropriateness of the requested funds.