Module
Mercator Fellows

A module can only be applied for within the appropriate modularised programme. To determine which modules are available to you, please consult the DFG’s programme guidelines relevant to your proposal.

I. Objective

This module enables you to pursue an intensive and long-term exchange with researchers in Germany and abroad. Fellows will partially be on site but will remain in contact with project participants even after their stay.

II. Description

Intensive and ongoing exchange with researchers from Germany and especially those from abroad can add significant value to a research project. It is a way of bringing additional expertise to the project or into the network and increasing its visibility. Fellows are integrated to a greater extent than visiting researchers. They are associated with the project over the long term and at least partially on site at the host institution. They remain in contact with the project network even after their stay.

International fellows carry the designation “Mercator Fellows” in recognition of their dedication to the project.
In addition to an allowance to cover travel expenses, fellows may receive a salary for their work. The amount depends on the fellows' qualifications; it may not exceed the level of the personnel cost category for professors.

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III. Proposal Instructions

Describe the significance of the fellow(s) to the project or to the research network and justify the requested amount.

If you do not yet know the identity of the fellow(s), describe your strategy to attract top-class fellows.