Module
Professorships

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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

Use this module to establish a professorship within a Research Unit to support its activities.

II. Description

In conjunction with a Research Unit, the DFG may finance or co-finance a professorship on the following conditions:

- The professorship primarily supports the work of the Research Unit. Its topical orientation is therefore central to the Research Unit.

- The professorship constitutes an early appointment or a structural improvement.

- The university finances the professorship from its own budget once funding for the Research Unit has ended.

This module can be requested either by the researcher wishing to assume the professorship or by the spokesperson of the Research Unit. In either case, the proposal must be submitted in agreement with the university.

Co-financing of the professorship can be considered if the holder of the professorship, on a pro-rata basis, assumes tasks for the university, which are out of the scope of the DFG-funded project.

The holder of the professorship will usually lead one of the projects and can submit all the modules needed for its implementation.
III. Proposal Instructions

Explain why the professorship is necessary and what its responsibilities will be within the Research Unit. If the professorship is proposed by the spokesperson and if it is known who will assume the professorship, please name the candidate. If the appointment is connected with a structural improvement, this must be explained by the university administration. Otherwise the university administration must state which early appointment is envisioned.

Please also include a statement by the university confirming that it will take over the professorship when the Research Unit ends.

If the university plans to co-finance the professorship, the co-financing model must be described and a pertinent statement by the university must be submitted.