Funding of PhD research stays at the University of Münster, Germany in 2020

The Brazil Centre of the University of Münster, Germany offers interested PhD students of the University São Paulo (USP) to perform a research stay at the University of Münster. The exchange program is part of the project wwu.usp, which aims to further develop the strategic partnership between the University of Münster and the University of São Paulo (USP) in Brazil and is supported by DAAD.

Who can apply?
PhD candidates of all faculties of the University of São Paulo (candidates from the field of Cities and Climate are welcome; however, all themes will be treated equally).

What can be funded?
Research stays in preparation of the PhD thesis (all disciplines)

Duration of the funding
Up to a maximum of three months, to be completed before November 30th, 2020

Value
Monthly payment of 400 Euros and travel allowance of 1,550 Euros (No payments towards health, accident and personal liability insurance)

Conditions
- Proficient knowledge of English (B2/C1); basic knowledge of German is desirable

Documents needed for the application
- Motivation letter
- A research/work plan jointly agreed by both advisors
- Letter of recommendation from the USP advisor
- Letter of acceptance from the WWU advisor

Selection
An independent selection committee consisting of specialist scientists reviews applications. The most important selection criterion is a convincing and well-planned research stay.

Application
Interested students submit their applications until July 15th, 2020 by using the forms attached (application_for_usp_phd_students.pdf) via E-Mail as one single PDF-document to the Brazil Centre of the WWU: brazil.centre@uni-muenster.de
Incomplete submissions will not be considered!

Important remarks
- The travel lump sum will be paid beforehand, the subsistence on a monthly basis.
- Flight ticket and boarding pass must be delivered by the end of the stay.

Report
Afterwards a report is demanded including performed activities, results and perspectives for further cooperation. The report has to be signed by the advisors.

For questions or help in the case of finding a partner at WWU:
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