



## Alexander von Humboldt Stiftung/Foundation

### Sofja Kovalevskaja Award

#### *Support for Outstanding Junior Scholars to Conduct Innovative Research in Germany*

The **Sofja Kovalevskaja Award** is open to highly acclaimed scholars and scientists from all countries and disciplines. Applicants must have completed a doctoral degree with distinction within the past six years and have published in prestigious international journals or academic presses. The Alexander von Humboldt Foundation particularly welcomes applications from qualified, female junior researchers.

This award, granted by the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation and funded by the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research, is one of the most generously endowed research awards in Germany.

The funding—up to 1.65 million EUR per award—enables exceptionally promising junior scientists and scholars with outstanding research records to concentrate on high-level, innovative research in Germany, virtually without administrative constraints. With the funds provided over five years by the Sofja Kovalevskaja Award, recipients:

- Conduct independent research.
- Finance a research team at a German university or research institution of their choice.
- Cover their living expenses.

The next announcement for applications is planned for May 2009. The deadline for applications is October 15, 2009; the selection meeting is scheduled for spring 2010. The Foundation plans to grant up to eight awards in 2010.

**For application forms and detailed information, see:**

<http://www.humboldt-foundation.de/web/7360.html>

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