## Third call for Dioscuri Centres

## The third call for the establishment of up to three centres of scientific excellence in Poland is now open

Max Planck Society (MPG) and National Science Centre (NCN) are now opening the third call for Dioscuri Centres of Scientific Excellence (DC) in Poland. In this round, outstanding researchers from the humanities and social sciences, life sciences and natural sciences are invited to submit their application for a DC until 23 March 2020.

Going beyond the scope of a project grant, a DC is built around a distinguished researcher position. It is awarded to excellent scientists capable of establishing and leading an outstanding, highly visible research group. The research group will be funded with 300,000 euros annually for initially five years. It will be set up at a Polish university or a research institute capable of supporting the DC with appropriate infrastructure, scientific equipment, supplementary funds, and a long-term perspective for its leader.

The Dioscuri Programme aims to strengthen and expand scientific excellence in Central and Eastern Europe and is being implemented in Poland as a first step. The funding for the DCs is shared equally between the Federal Ministry of Education and Research and the Polish Ministry of Science and Higher Education.

The detailed call and further information about the Dioscuri Programme are available at <a href="https://www.mpg.de/14174125/dioscuri-third-call">https://www.mpg.de/14174125/dioscuri-third-call</a>

