

INTERNATIONAL URBAN HEALTH SUMMIT TRAVEL GRANTS AVAILABLE

for Early Career Researchers and Young Professionals

Deadline: **November 25, 2024**

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The Topic

Over 4.4 billion people globally live in urban areas and the urban population is predicted to reach 6.7 billion by 2050, accounting for 70 percent of the world's population. This poses social and environmental challenges that will have disproportionate impacts on the health and wellbeing of citizens, especially of socially and economically disadvantaged communities. The varied and complex nature of urban life can complicate the development and introduction of plans and policies to promote urban health in a holistic manner. The "International Urban Health Summit" as part of the Herrenhausen Conference series in Hanover, Germany, aims to bring together researchers and practitioners to address key issues of urban health through the lens of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals. The conference will foster interdisciplinary collaboration and knowledge exchange on various aspects of urban health, including but not limited to:

1. Urban Planning and Architecture
2. Mobility and Transportation
3. Mental Health
4. Nutrition and the Future of Food
5. Climate and Environmental Health
6. Education and Social Determinants of Health
7. The Role of Arts, Culture and Urban Spaces, including Music and Acoustic Landscapes
8. The Role of Artificial Intelligence in Urban Health

Travel Grants Available

The Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities and Volkswagen Foundation offer travel grants for early career researchers (PhD students and early Post Docs up to 5 years since PhD) or young professionals working in the field of Urban Health. Applicants can win one of up to 25 grants to take part in the "Urban Health Summit 2025" in Hanover, Germany, from April 9 – 11, 2025. Successful applicants will get the chance to present their research/project in a short presentation. The travel grants include travel expenses to Hanover, visa fees (if applicable), as well as accommodation in Hanover. Please apply before **November 25, 2024** by completing the online application form: <https://call.volkswagenstiftung.de/submission?id=340>

Your application should contain the following

- As an academic: An abstract of your current research project incl. main research question, methods, results and outlook, as well as naming your institution, partners and PhD thesis advisors
- As a young professional: A description of the project, institution or initiative you are engaging in explaining agenda, goals, and activities, as well as naming your direct supervisor
- A statement about how your research approach/work is linked to the conference subject
- A short CV

Selection

Participants will be selected by the organizers. Acceptance will be based on qualifications of the applicant as well as relevance, originality of the research project/initiative and potential to meet the goals of the conference. We will inform the applicants of the results by mid-December 2024.

More information

<https://www.volkswagenstiftung.de/en/events/international-urban-health-summit>

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