

Call for Applications

Postdoctoral Fellowships
Philosophy and Social Sciences

Global Health Justice Postdoctoral Programme
Research Centre “Normative Orders” at Goethe University Frankfurt

Duration and Starting Date: 10 Months, starting on October 1st, 2026.

The [Global Health Justice Postdoctoral Programme](#), funded by Höpfsche Stiftung and directed by Prof. Dr. Rainer Forst and Prof. Dr. Darrel Moellendorf at Goethe University of Frankfurt, is seeking to appoint up to two post-doctoral fellows for the academic year 2026/2027. The Fellows will be part of the Frankfurt academic community, especially of the [Normative Orders](#) Research Network.

Candidates should have completed a doctorate in philosophy or the social sciences and should have proven potential to conduct and publish research at an international level. The Candidates’ research should fall within the program’s areas of focus, especially questions of health and justice, whether on a national or a global level – for example, access to medicine, gender disparities in health provision, sustainable development goals, climate change and health, the human right to health, etc.

Conditions of Award

We offer a grant of 2,400€/month. The grant is tax-free in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 3 no. 44 EStG (German Income Tax Act).

Additional benefits include a return trip (to a max. of 2,000€) from the fellows’ hometown to Frankfurt and a mission allowance of 2,000€. Health insurance and accommodation expenses are not included in the package, although assistance in purchasing a suitable German health insurance will be provided.

Fellows will be provided with office space at Normative Orders. They will be expected to take an active part in the Center’s activities and workshops, and to present their ongoing research to the members of the Center. Fellows are expected to reside in the Frankfurt area for the whole duration of their stay.

Please send your application in English *IN ONE PDF DOCUMENT* (a 2-3 page research project, CV, and no more than two letters of reference) to Prof. Dr. Rainer Forst. Please use the address: sekretariat.forst@soz.uni-frankfurt.de

The reference letters may also be sent directly by the referees.

Closing date is **March 15, 2026**.