

## The Stockholm-Bonn Academic Exchange

### Law Scholarship Programme

#### The Scholarship Programme

To support the **academic exchange** between the **Stockholm Centre for Commercial Law (SCCL)**, University of Stockholm, and the **Institute of International and Comparative Private Law (IICPL)**, University of Bonn, the SCCL has, thanks to the kind generosity of the Law Firm Friends and Corporate Friends of the SCCL, been able to establish a law scholarship programme.

The funding is available to doctoral research students, post-doctoral researchers as well as permanent members of both the SCCL and the Department of Law at the University of Bonn.

The funding, which takes the form of a dedicated scholarship ("**Stockholm-Bonn Academic Exchange Law Scholarship**"), is intended to support the additional costs incurred by a visitor to the other institution, including travel and accommodation. The visit should be for a **minimum period of one month and a maximum period of three months**.

The scholarship **covers up to SEK 20,000 (approx. € 1,750) per month**. In cases of hardship, additional funding may exceptionally be requested by special application and may be granted on a case-by-case basis taking into account the merits of the individual case, the overall number of applications, but only if all other potential sources of additional funding have been exhausted first.

A total amount of up to SEK 120,000 will be made available for the scholarship programme during each academic year and will be administered through the SCCL.

#### The Visit

Recipients of the scholarship will visit the respective partner institution under the general conditions applying to **guest researchers at the host institution** at any one time. All guests are responsible for arranging their own travel and accommodation and for ensuring that they comply with any relevant immigration rules and have adequate insurance cover in place.

There will be **no teaching or other formal obligations** on scholars at the host institution, and knowledge of the Swedish language (for visitors to Stockholm) or the German language (for visitors to Bonn) is not required. However, it is hoped that guest researchers will be willing, if requested by the host institution, to give a presentation in English on aspects of their research during their stay.

The **timing of the one- to three-months visits** is flexible, but they should normally take place during the academic year (full semester) at the respective host institution. All visits are subject to approval by both SCCL and IICPL and should be arranged well in advance of the intended visit. Doctoral research students in particular are encouraged to attend lectures and seminars during their stay abroad.

## Application and Selection Process

**Candidates will be selected by a committee** consisting of two representatives from each partner institution and additionally one chairperson based at the SCCL.

In the selection of candidates, **preference may be given** to doctoral students and post-doctoral researchers over established postholders. In terms of the proposed project, preference may further be given to candidates whose research closely interlinks or overlaps with topics covered by or within the respective host institution (SCCL or IICPL), so as to maximise potential academic synergies.

**Applications** should be in **English** and should include (all short) a **curriculum vitae**, a **statement setting out the parameters of the proposed visit**, and an **outline of the proposed research** to be undertaken at the host institution (explaining – in the case of doctoral and post-doctoral candidates – how the research fits into their larger doctoral or post-doctoral projects). In the case of researchers supervised at their home institution, such as doctoral candidates in particular, a **supporting letter from the supervisor** is required before any funding can be made available.

**Applications should be sent by email** with all attachments in pdf-format to **<sccl@juridicum.su.se>** (for candidates based in Stockholm) and to **<sekretariat.haecker@jura.uni-bonn.de>** (for candidates based in Bonn). **Relevant deadlines** are the **end of May** and the **end of November** of every year.

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