



STIFTERVERBAND

# ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIPS

Counselling, Supervision, Mentoring



SERVICE CENTRE  
FOR ENDOWED  
PROFESSORSHIPS®

# PROMOTE INNOVATIONS IN SCIENCE AND RESEARCH!

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The Service Centre for Endowed Professorships of the Stifterverband supports private donors and universities in setting up endowed professorships. Our experts will gladly take care of the implementation - from the initial consultation to the evaluation.

Privately funded chairs have become an integral part of the German higher education landscape. They enable even more scientists to conduct research freely and independently. Companies are the most important donors: They alone finance 60 per cent of the currently existing 1,000 endowed professorships. However, foundations, associations and private individuals may also support a chair, usually for a funding period of five years. In most cases, the universities will afterwards include the endowed professorships in their budgets.





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**AVAIL YOURSELF OF OUR EXPERTISE**

Together with its members, the Stifterverband has already established more than 400 chairs. At the Service Centre for Endowed Professorships, we apply our expertise to support you and the universities in setting up an endowed professorship. The exchange of information with representatives of business and science as well as of ministries and audit offices guarantees up-to-date know-how, practical relevance and legal certainty. Our 360°-Perspective Evaluation will reveal the impact of your contribution.

**OUR EXPERIENCE SHOWS**

Business and science benefit equally from endowed professorships. As a donor, you contribute to advancing research in areas relevant to you. In addition, you specifically promote the training of highly qualified junior researchers and establish important contacts with young talents.

Endowed professorships give universities the necessary scope to explore innovative areas of research. This enables them to make their mark on education and research and, in consequence, to raise their competitive profile. And, what is more, endowed professorships often result in long-term collaborations.

# YOUR BENEFITS

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## THE SERVICE CENTRE OFFERS YOU

- » many years of experience in the establishment of endowed professorships;
- » excellent networking in the university landscape;
- » expertise in funding policy and strategic issues;
- » proven contract design with due regard to legal and fiscal aspects;
- » answers to questions concerning higher education law including appointment procedures, salary levels, etc.;
- » evaluation and quality assurance of the professorship;
- » support for further collaborations between institutions of higher education and donors.

## NEW: 360°-PERSPECTIVE EVALUATION

All participants benefit from endowed professorships. Our new 360°-Perspective Evaluation assesses the effectiveness of the endowed professorship in detail and provides comprehensive information on the impact of the donor's contribution. On this basis, the partners can analyse their collaboration and gain perspectives on the continuation.

# THE STIFTERVERBAND — A STRONG PARTNER

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In establishing and supervising endowed professorships, neutrality and quality are our top priorities. This includes:

- » binding quality standards through guidelines accepted by business and science;
- » professional management of all administrative and financial processes;
- » transparency through regular and professional reporting;
- » secondment of neutral, professional experts to the appointment committee by the Stifterverband.

The endowed professors are also integrated into the carefully maintained network of the Stifterverband.

## **INCIDENTALLY,**

we at the Stifterverband are happy to answer all other questions concerning the promotion of science — from scholarships to university cooperation, innovation alliances or the establishment of foundations.



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Are you interested in setting up an endowed professorship?  
We would be happy to advise you!

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