How can we safeguard worldwide economic growth and prosperity for all and reduce the pressure on natural resources at the same time? How can we abandon fossil fuels in favour of sustainable energy? How can we ensure that all people are supplied with sustainable energy as the world population continues to grow? How can we fight climate change? – Our future depends on the answers to these questions. The United Nations has made it the objective of its Agenda for Sustainable Development to find these answers by 2030.

This quest will only be successful if research produces new and ground-breaking ideas. For this, we rely in particular on young researchers from around the world who are devoting their work to ensuring more sustainability. Our Green Talents Competition honours the best emerging researchers and invites them to Germany to discuss with us good pathways to the future. Our aim is to stimulate young creative minds and encourage discussion among researchers from different disciplines. The more good ideas from the many parts of the world we bring together, the more we increase our chances of winning the fight against climate change. I look forward to receiving the applications of plenty of ‘green talents’ and hope to meet you in person in Berlin in autumn 2018.

Anja Karliczek | Federal Minister of Education and Research

DO YOU HAVE WHAT IT TAKES?

Are you an up-and-coming scientist with innovative ideas and a strong focus on sustainable development? Does your research have the potential to change the world? We challenge you to convince our high-ranking expert jury and become one of the 25 Green Talents of 2018!

THE JURY

Professor Edeltraud Günther
PRISMA Centre for Sustainability Assessment and Policy at Technische Universität Dresden (TUD)

Professor Georg Teutsch
Scientific Managing Director of Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research (UFZ)

Carletta Heinz
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Olaf Tschimpke
President of the Nature And Biodiversity Conservation Union (NABU)

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- Institute for Social-Ecological Research (ISOE), Frankfurt am Main
- Max Planck Institute for Biogeochemistry (MPI-BGC), Jena
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PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR ONLINE APPLICATION BEFORE 2 p.m. CEST on 23 May 2018
THE AWARD

SCIENCE FORUM
Be invited to Germany for a two-week Science Forum in October 2018 and visit some of the hot-spots of sustainability science. This offers you the unique opportunity to get exclusive access to the country’s research landscape. Thereby, you learn about ground-breaking projects on-site and possibilities for cooperation with German experts and facilities.

RESEARCH STAY IN 2019
Take your research a step forward when you are invited to return in 2019 for a fully-funded research stay. Spend up to three months at a German facility of your own choice. Gain new experiences in an inspiring environment and advance your professional career while establishing long-lasting relationships.

GREEN TALENTS NETWORK
Become part of the unique global Green Talents network of more than 200 outstanding young minds from 57 different countries worldwide. Its active alumni network covers the full spectrum of sustainability science and will help you to exchange your ideas with peers and find new project partners.

INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENTS
As part of the Green Talents Science Forum you will meet leading German experts of your choice in individual appointments. By visiting those experts in their retrospective facilities to personally discuss your research, you may lay the foundation for future collaborations.

REQUIREMENTS
• Enrolment in a master’s or PhD programme or a degree (master’s/PhD) completed no more than three years before the end of the application process
• Strong focus on sustainable development and an interdisciplinary approach
• Proven excellent command of English
• Significantly above-average grades
• Not a German citizen nor a resident of Germany

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