





Research Grant January – March 2020:

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In cooperation with Technische Universität Darmstadt, the German Center for Art History in Paris (DFK Paris) is offering a three-month scholarship for a research project related to the Paris world fairs that requires a stay in France due to the source materials and accessible secondary literature. The scholarship is embedded in the research focus "'Gesamtkunstwerk' World Fairs" of the TU Darmstadt. Taking its starting point from the Paris world fairs, the main concerns of inquiry should be: how did the art and fashion at the world fairs contribute to establishing and consolidating Paris's position as a fashion and art metropolis? And which role did technological innovations play in the area of reproductions, for instance in photography, print, readymade clothing, etc.? Within this context, the complex interrelationships characteristic of colonialism are to be considered, in particular how they emerge in fashion, for example through fabrics (cotton or silk) or through the distinction between fashion and traditional clothing. A focus linking the different areas of art, the applied arts and crafts, fashion and technology is desirable. The scholarship is for doctoral candidates and post-graduates alike. The beneficiary can participate in the preparation and holding of a study day scheduled for March 2020.

Generally, the scholarship amounts to 1.700 Euro per month. It also provides expert scholarly guidance and organisational advice as well as the use of the Institute's resources. The research scholarship is scheduled to run from 1 January through to 31 March 2020. Presence in Paris is compulsory. Please submit your application in a single PDF file by 1 October 2019; it has to contain a covering letter, a description of the project, the situation regarding the source materials (ca. 3 pages, incl. a detailed working and time plan) and a CV. For any specific questions regarding the topic of research, please contact Prof Dr Alexandra Karentzos: karentzos@mode.tu-darmstadt.de. The application itself is to be sent to:

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