



3rd cohort 2012 – 2014

“Urban and Regional Resilience – Managing Change for Sustainable Urban and Regional Development”

The DLGS – Dresden Leibniz Graduate School is a joint activity of the Leibniz Institute of Ecological Urban and Regional Development, Dresden (IOER), the Technische Universität Dresden (TUD), and the Academy for Spatial Research and Planning, Hanover (ARL).

Beginning in January 2012, the DLGS announces ***Eight Doctoral Fellowships*** for three years as the third cohort of the Graduate School.

The announcement of this cohort of the DLGS is oriented towards urban and regional resilience. Doctoral students will focus on new concepts for managing change for sustainable urban and regional development. A detailed description of possible research lines and topics can be found [here](#) .

This announcement addresses excellent graduates (with M.A., M.Sc., or equivalent, with a master thesis, and a grade equal to „good“ (2) or better according to the German grading system) in Spatial Planning (including City and Regional Planning, Urban Regeneration, Landscape Planning, Traffic Planning), Geography, and Social Sciences (including Urban or Regional Sociology and Economics).

Applications from outside of Germany are particularly welcome. All applicants must be capable of fluently speaking and writing English (in general proved by an official certificate or equivalent), and of cooperating in teams. Successful applicants must take up residence in Dresden, and be regularly / daily present at DLGS premises during working hours. Fellowship holders must comply with the regulations for a doctoral degree enacted by the relevant faculties of the Technische Universität Dresden.

In general, the first year of the structured programme is devoted to intensive work in courses and on the doctoral thesis. The second year is dedicated to empirical work (incl. field work). The third year is oriented towards facilitating the completion of the doctoral thesis. In individual cases, this general schedule may vary according to the specific needs of the candidate.

Workshops, e.g. about quantitative and qualitative methods, international events, and summer schools offer opportunities to acquire special skills and general competencies. The interdisciplinary composition of the group and the support provided by DLGS partners as well as possible research visits abroad enable graduates to rapidly complete innovative doctorates.

Written applications must comprise the following documents:

- Application letter,
- Filled-in [application form](#) (including outline of a proposed thesis),
- Copies of certificates (including proof of English language skills),
- Letter of reference from a university professor (who might be willing to become a

