

A photograph of a modern glass building with a curved staircase, surrounded by tall trees and a green lawn. The building has a prominent curved staircase on the left side. The scene is set in a park-like environment with several tall, thin trees in the foreground and a weeping willow tree on the right. The sky is clear and blue.

Environmental innovation and knowledge transfer – how to finance international research activities in South-East Europe

The international funding of the
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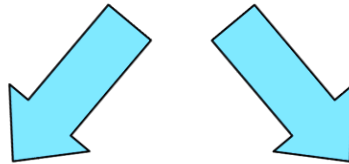
General facts

- Founded in 1990
- Foundation under Civil Law
- board members from Federal ministries, entrepreneurs, environmental experts, members of Parliament



- Approximately 1.28 bn euros foundation capital
- Ca. 50 m euros / year for funding activities
- International funding: up 10% of annual budget

DBU International



International scholarship programme



Share knowledge

Research possibilities

Intercultural experience

International project funding

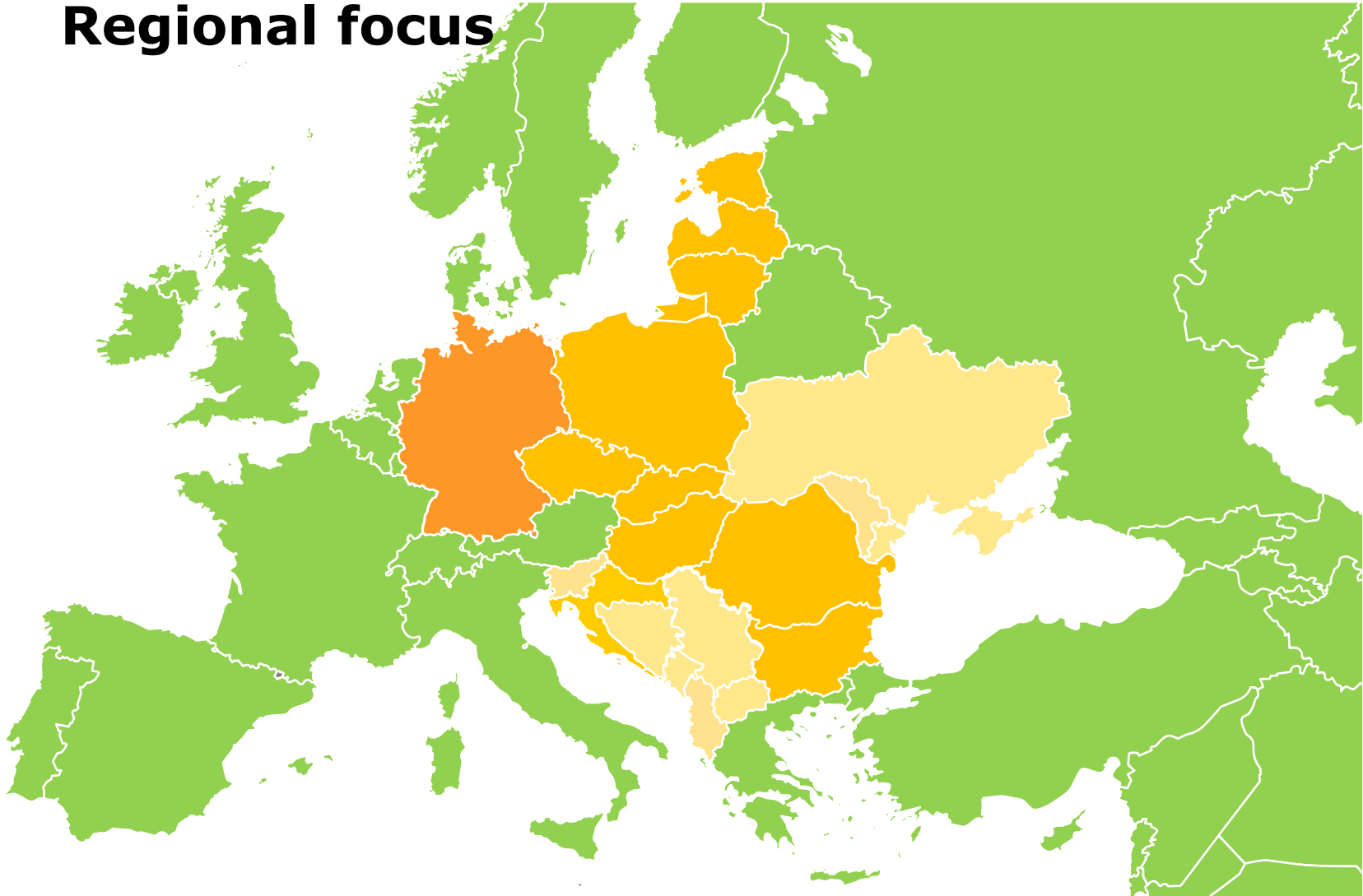
12+1 Funding Topics

Environmental Technology

Environmental Research /
Nature Conservation

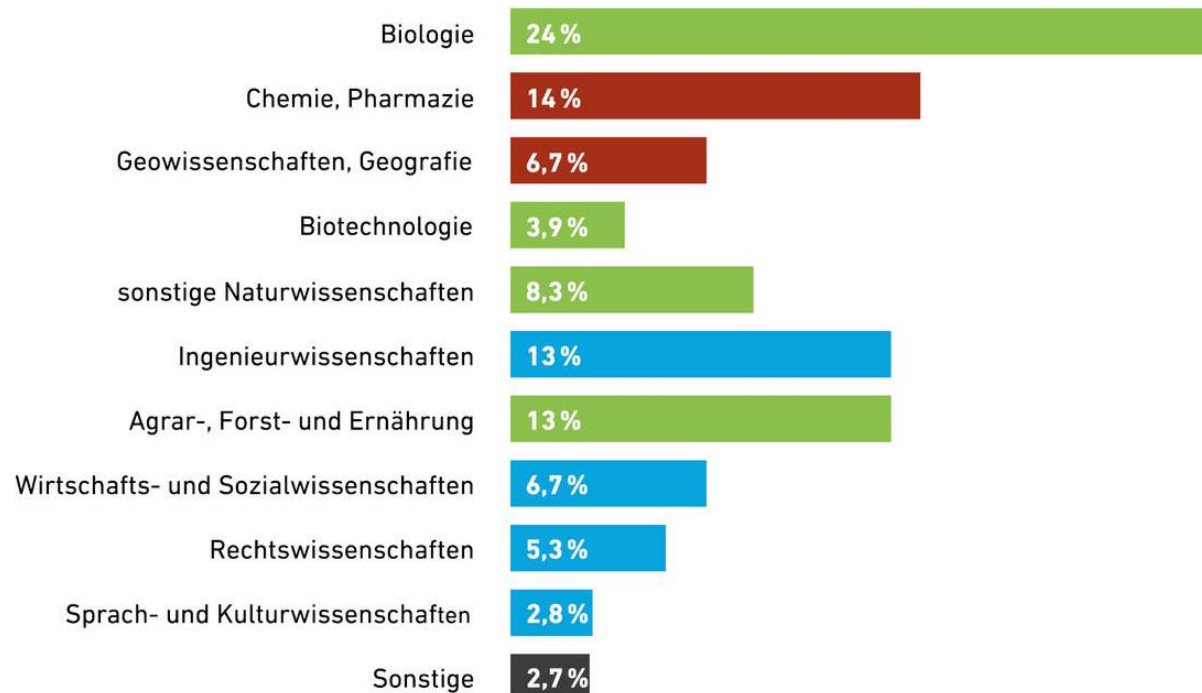
Environmental communi-
cation and education

Regional focus



International scholarship programme I

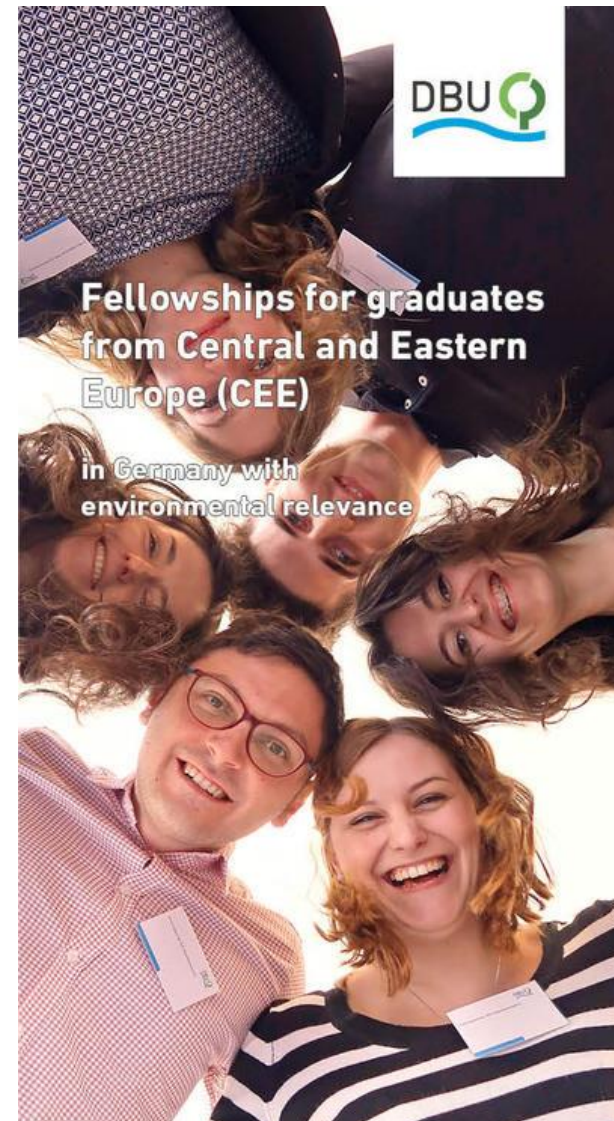
- For young graduates from CEE/SEE universities (Master degree or equivalent)
- Application in all disciplines, topic must be related to environment – purpose: research stay (PhD), or working stay, ...



International scholarship programme II

- Hosting institutions: enterprises, universities, NGOs, ministries, protected areas' administrations, etc.
- Duration: 6-12 months
- Monthly grant: 1.250 euros
- Incl. health, accident and liability insurances

- Frame data for Serbia:
 - Application deadline: 01.08.2019
 - Interviews: September 2019
 - Start scholarship: February 2020
 - Start intense language course German: Februar 2020



Project funding I

- Basic criteria:
 - Environmental relevance – Innovativeness – Model character
 - Measurable results

- Funding conditions
 - 50% funding + 50% other/own contribution
 - Universities (EU): 100% funding possible
 - Duration: 1 – 3 years

- Funding up to 125,000 euros (total project costs 250,000 euros)

Project funding II

- Cooperation requested:
 - German partner as official applicant
 - Cooperation with SME very welcome
- Digitalisation as cross-sectional topic very welcome
- Funding topics: 12+1
 - Sustainability criteria and awareness raising
 - Sustainable nutrition and handling of food
 - Renewable Energy and energy efficiency
 - Water management
 - Nature conservation and sustainable use of nature
 - Climate- and resource-saving construction (wood)
 - ...

Running Serbian-German project

MOBILISATION OF CORN COBS AS ENERGY SOURCE AND IMPROVEMENT OF HEAT GENERATORS



Project partners:

- University Novi Sad – Faculty of Technical Sciences, Dept of Environmental Engineering
- Technical University Hamburg – Institute of Environmental Technology and Energy Economics



Partners from Serbian industry and agricultural sector

- Termoplin Ltd.,
- Miva Eko Pelet Ltd.,
- further

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One thing is sure. The earth is now more cultivated and developed than ever before. There is more farming with pure force, swamps are drying up, and cities are springing up on unprecedented scale. We have become a burden to our planet. Resources are becoming scarce, and soon nature will no longer be able to satisfy our needs.

Quintus Septimus Florens Tertullianus, ca. 200 AD
Christian author