FAQs: BACK TO RESEARCH GRANT 2017
Funding scheme for female postdoctoral researchers

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- **Which previous or current employment contracts do I need to fulfil the application requirements?**
  You are eligible to apply for the grant if you have a fixed-term employment contract (for example, as a member of academic staff, both on predoctoral and postdoctoral level) or a freelance contract (for example, as a project team member or a lecturer)
  - that was concluded with the University of Vienna
  - that ended no longer than 2 years ago (as at October 2015)
  - or that will expire in November 2018 at the latest.

- **Which employment contracts do not fulfil the application requirements?**
  Contracts for work and services as well as research scholarships without an employment contract do not fulfil the application requirements.

SECONDARY EMPLOYMENTS

- **Can I take up a secondary employment in addition to the grant?**
  The Back to Research Grant aims at bridging career breaks. It is decidedly designed as bridge financing, it is not a form of additional financing. Therefore, it is not possible to take up an academic or non-academic employment that goes beyond the scope of a marginal employment in addition to the grant.

INTERRUPTIONS

- **What are the prerequisites to suspend the grant?**
  You may suspend the grant due to maternity leave and care leave (when you care for family members).

- **What happens when I take up an employment shortly before or during the period of receiving the grant?**
  The grant ends as soon as you take up an employment. Even if you take up a short fixed-term employment, such as a maternity leave replacement, you will not have a legitimate reason for suspending the grant. Rather, it will lead to the termination of the grant.

- **Can I resume the grant in the following year if I suspended it?**
  Yes. After suspending the grant (due to one of the reasons stated above), you can resume the grant in the following year. This has to be arranged individually.

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