The research service of the Humboldt-Innovation GmbH (HI) transacts contract research and scientific services for scientists of the Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin (HU) on behalf of the university.

Contract research generally is a scientific research on behalf of privat or public contractors. The goal (not the result) of the research contract is specified by the client. The usage rights of the research findings remain with the client—partially or completely. Scientific services can be defined as services on the basis of reliable scientific knowledge in exchange for payment, for example routine analyses of samples.

Advantages for researchers:

- Opportunity to acquire research funds
- Flexible usage of remaining funds within the framework of research
- Received funds are included into the HU funding statistics
- New research impulses from economy and society

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The Humboldt-Innovation GmbH (HI) supports researchers of the Humboldt-Universität (HU) with the processing of contract research projects and scientific services. Therefore the HI undertakes administrative tasks.

Service overview:

- support in cost calculation and tender preparation
- assistance with negotiations and contract review
- Set-up of a project account including online reporting of the financial status
- Recording of received funds at the HU
- Quick and flexible recruitment of project-related personnel
- Accounting and receivables management
- Administration of remaining funds

The research service also offers individual service packages tailored to your needs.

Feasible projects for the cooperation with the HI:

- All projects commissioned by public or private clients: for example companies, ministries, NGOs
- tender of the public sector
- subcontracts of public project initiations

The Innovation Management Team also assists researchers of the HU in seeking suitable project partners and potential clients.

To ensure the legal protection of researchers in the use of university resources, contracts are directly signed by the Humboldt Innovation for the project leaders. The Humboldt-Innovation collects an overhead of 20% on the net project volume for your services.”