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## CCTPE Private Equity Scholarship for Collaborative Research with Fund of Funds (Doctoral Program) – Call for Applications

The Center for Corporate Transactions & Private Equity (CCTPE) at HHL is a leading think tank for private equity research. It is the mission of the CCTPE to provide reliable research results for everyday decision-making in the private equity industry. The CCTPE aims at expanding its cooperation with fund of funds, which have been an engine for cutting-edge research on private equity in recent years. To achieve this goal and attract suitable candidates for the doctoral program, HHL offers the **Private Equity Scholarship for Collaborative Research with Fund of Funds**. Successful candidates will receive a 15% waiver for the tuition fees for the doctoral program.

### Selection Criteria

Applicants must hold a master-level degree in business administration or economics with an above average result and a focus on econometrics/statistics. They should also have relevant work experience (full-time employment of at least one year) in the fund of funds sector or be affiliated with a fund of funds. It is a plus if the applicant has already demonstrated his ability to conduct private equity research through bachelor and/or master theses.

Only applicants who apply for HHL's doctoral program are eligible to apply for this scholarship.

### Application Documents

For your application to the doctoral program, the following documents are compulsory:

- \_ Cover letter
- \_ Curriculum vitae
- \_ Final transcript and a degree certificate of all completed degree programs (at least one of them has to be a Master's degree in Economics or Business Administration with a final grade which is equivalent of the German grade "good")

For your scholarship application, the following documents are compulsory:

- \_ Proposal for establishing a database and research pipeline

### Details on the Proposal

Your proposal should cover the following topics:

- \_ Outline one relevant research topic that provides a sizeable contribution to the academic literature and is relevant for fund of funds
- \_ Provide a detailed agenda for establishing a database to address this research topic (note that funding for commercial databases is not available; the applicant should either use publicly available data or have access to data)

### Application Deadline

The scholarship application deadline is:

- \_ November 30, 2021

Please submit the scholarship application via email to [bernhard.schwetzler@hhl.de](mailto:bernhard.schwetzler@hhl.de) in addition to your application documents for the doctoral program. The review committee evaluates the application and the applicant's suitability for the doctoral program.



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## Review Committee and Criteria

The review committee consists of Prof. Dr. Bernhard Schwetzler (Academic Director of the CCTPE) and Dr. Benjamin Hammer (Executive Director of the CCTPE).

The committee will review proposals based on the following criteria:

- \_ Originality of the research topic
- \_ Feasibility of the data collection
- \_ Individual background of the applicant
- \_ Relevance for fund of funds

We are actively seeking to increase the number of female and international researchers.

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