



# Krzysztof Michalski Junior Visiting Fellowships

## 2015/16 — Call for Application

### Objective

In memory and honor of its founding Rector, Krzysztof Michalski, who died in 2013, the IWM has established a new fellowship program consisting of one senior and two junior positions.

The Krzysztof Michalski Visiting Fellowship is awarded by invitation only to an outstanding scholar working in the fields of continental philosophy or religion, which were Krzysztof Michalski's own areas of interest and research.

The first senior Visiting Fellowship for the academic year 2015/16 was awarded to the political and social theorist **Steven Lukes**, Professor of Politics and Sociology at New York University.

### Morals and Ethics

Steven Lukes' research examines how morals relate to politics, economics, law, and religion. He explores the nature and functioning of moral norms or 'ordinary ethics', and the distinctive contribution that a sociological-cum-anthropological approach can make to the study of this topic. Particular questions include whether 'moral progress' exists, whether there is a basic repertoire of moral sentiments which is diverse only in its cultural expression, how human atrocities can be explained, and to what extent animals display moral behavior.

### Junior Fellowships

Post-doctoral researchers in the humanities and social sciences whose research relates to these topics and who would benefit from collaborating with Professor Lukes are invited to [apply for one of the two Junior Visiting Fellowships](#).

### Conditions

To enable close cooperation between the Krzysztof Michalski Fellows, they will be invited to stay at the IWM for six to ten months between September 2015 and July 2016. The Junior Visiting Fellows should ideally be from a different country or region and not already affiliated to the Senior Fellow's own institution or ongoing research projects, in order to encourage intellectual exchange and cooperation across borders and disciplines.

The Krzysztof Michalski Junior Visiting Fellows will receive a stipend of € 3.300,00 per month to cover all expenses during their stay in Vienna, including accommodation, research and travel costs as well as health insurance. In addition, the IWM will provide the fellows with office space and access to the internet, in-house research and administrative facilities as well as other services free of charge. The fellows will join the Institute's scholarly community and are expected to participate in its activities.

### Application

Applications have to be submitted using the online application form and should include:

- a concise research proposal in English (max. 8,000 characters incl. spaces) outlining
  - the academic problem(s) addressed
  - a critical consideration of relevant current literature
  - the research goals and expected results
  - a work schedule
- a curriculum vitae
- a list of publications
- two letters of recommendation by scholars familiar with the applicant's academic work

Please submit all documents as [PDF files](#)!

### Deadline for Application:

December 17, 2014 (date of receipt)

### Further Details and Online-Application:

[www.iwm.at/fellowships/michalski](http://www.iwm.at/fellowships/michalski)

### About the IWM

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