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Fritz Steppat Prize

Prize for young researchers awarded by the Association for the Advancement of the ZMO e.V.

The Association for the Advancement of the ZMO e.V., founded in 2007, invites competition for the second Fritz Steppat Prize in 2016 for an outstanding scientific text by a young researcher. Fritz Steppat (1923-2006) was one of the trailblazers of present-oriented, interdisciplinary, and practice-oriented research on the Orient in the Federal Republic of Germany. From 1992 to 1993, he was the first provisional director of the Research Emphasis Modern Orient, the precursor institution to today's ZMO. In 1998, in the framework of the Fritz and Gertraud Steppat Gift, the ZMO received Fritz Steppat's private research library.

Considered for the prize will be final theses and other scientific texts by students, graduates, and doctoral candidates in the fields represented at the ZMO who have either worked as student staff members at the ZMO or whom ZMO staff members have supervised. The prize will be awarded every second year and carries a purse of 500 Euro.

The invitations are internal at the ZMO. All colleagues at the ZMO can submit suggestions with a corresponding explanatory statement (max. one page) by 1 November 2015. The suggested (published or unpublished) works may be no more than two years old. They must be the result of source- or fieldwork-based research and must make an original theoretical or empirical contribution to a scientific debate.

A selection jury will be chosen by the Society to Foster the ZMO and will consist of three members of the society, including at least one member of the executive board. The selection of the prize winner will be made by the end of the year. The decision of the jury is final. The prize winner will present the results of his or her work in a public lecture at the ZMO. The press and public will be informed about the prize, the prizewinners, and their work.

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