

## Call for Contributions: Appeal to Students and PhD Candidates to Participate in the 3<sup>rd</sup> jDOG Conference

**Date:** 06 January – 10 January 2027 (arrival & get-together on 06 Jan / departure on 10 Jan)

**Venue:** Bibliotheca Albertina, Universitätsbibliothek Leipzig, Beethovenstraße 6, 04107 Leipzig, Germany

**Costs:** No participation fee

**Registration and submissions to:** [jdog.konferenz@orient-gesellschaft.de](mailto:jdog.konferenz@orient-gesellschaft.de)

### What is the 3rd Conference of the jDOG?

The jDOG was established in 2024 as a community of students in the fields of Ancient Near Eastern Studies (Assyriology), Near Eastern Archaeology, and related disciplines under the umbrella of the Deutsche Orient-Gesellschaft e.V. (DOG). It is dedicated to fostering exchange, collaboration, and networking at an early stage of academic training. Following the positive response to the first and second jDOG-Conferences in Marburg (Lahn) and Munich, the successful format will continue with the third jDOG-Conference in Leipzig. It offers students and PhD candidates a safe, collegial and academically stimulating environment in which they can present their own research projects for discussion in the form of presentations, short presentations or posters. The aim is to use this as a basis for engaging in dialogue, receiving feedback, developing new perspectives and establishing professional contacts.

### Who is the Call for Contributions aimed at?

The call is primarily addressed to students enrolled in Bachelor's, Master's, or PhD programmes who wish to gain first experiences in academic presentation. We particularly welcome contributions on the history, culture, writing, language, religion, material culture and archaeology of Mesopotamia and its neighbouring regions. The conference languages are German and English. Contributions may also be submitted and presented jointly by two people and can be submitted in the following three formats:

- **Presentations** (20 minutes talk + 10 minutes discussion): This format is suited for specific research questions, detailed topics, or presentations based on ongoing or completed projects and theses.
- **Short presentations** (10 minutes talk + 5 minutes discussion): This shorter format is ideal for preliminary project ideas, workshop reports, short case studies or concise insights into ongoing projects.
- **Poster** (DIN A0): This format provides an opportunity to present a research project or question as well as preliminary results in a visually appealing and accessible manner. During the poster session, the posters serve as a starting point for discussions, professional exchange and constructive feedback.

### How do I apply?

If you would like to submit a proposal for a contribution, please send an email to [jdog.konferenz@orient-gesellschaft.de](mailto:jdog.konferenz@orient-gesellschaft.de). Your message should include: your name, university affiliation, current academic level (Bachelor, Master, or PhD), the type of contribution (presentation / short presentation / poster), and an abstract of no more than 300 words outlining the topic, research question, and objective of your submission. If you have any questions, suggestions, or uncertainties about whether your idea is suitable, the organizing team will be happy to assist. The deadline for submissions is **31 July 2026**.