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INTRODUCTION TO THE LÜRSSEN FOUNDATION

The Lürssen Foundation was established to have a positive impact on education, innovation and society, driving responsible change in the maritime industry and for those in its wider community. To achieve this goal, it has launched a funded scholarship programme that provides the next generation of engineers with access to research, industry mentorship, and the skills needed to drive responsible progress in the maritime industry. Over six months, scholars will gain hands-on experience and work on cutting-edge research projects under expert guidance. This is a unique opportunity to make a real impact, develop valuable skills, and take your ideas to the next level.

“Through the Lürssen Foundation, we are mentoring engineers equipped to lead responsible change and digital transformations in the maritime industry, while driving societal progress to transition to a more sustainable future,” says Peter Lürssen, Managing Partner at Lürssen.



ABOUT LÜRSSEN

Lürssen is renowned worldwide for its highest-quality products and commitment to innovative technologies in shipbuilding. The family-owned company, founded in 1875, specialises in the design and manufacture of bespoke yachts for discerning owners. With three highly specialised production sites across northern Germany and a dedicated research and engineering centre in Croatia, Lürssen unites two rich maritime heritages. The company is driven by the passion of its employees and the creativity of its clients.



WHAT TO EXPECT FROM THE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME

HOW WILL THE LÜRSSEN FOUNDATION COMPLEMENT CURRENT STUDIES?

The Lürssen Foundation scholarship programme offers scholars exclusive experiences at state-of-the-art shipyards, dedicated mentorship, access to cutting-edge research, such as fuel cell technologies, and insights into potential career paths with Lürssen.

START AND FINISH DATES

This six-month scholarship programme runs from **24 March** to **24 September 2025**.

WHAT ARE THE TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES?

Scholars of the Lürssen Foundation can look forward to many travel opportunities to **Germany, Croatia, and the United States**, where they will spend a month focusing on their guided R&D project. Save the dates for your travel opportunities during the 2025 scholarship programme:

24 March

European Forum in Rijeka, Croatia

25 - 27 March

Lürssen Design Center Kvarner in Rijeka, Croatia

8 May

Future Tense conference in Zagreb, Croatia

15 - 21 June

Shipyards tours in Bremen and Rendsburg, Germany

1 - 31 July

Summer school at the University of Connecticut, United States

21 - 24 September

Final presentation in Bremen, Germany





OTHER BENEFITS
OF THE
PROGRAMME

The Lürssen Foundation scholarship programme offers scholars valuable industry insights and hands-on experience in shipbuilding. They will attend several leading conferences and receive ongoing support from an expert mentor for their guided R&D project. Upon completing the scholarship programme, scholars will enjoy the benefits of being a Lürssen Foundation alumnus.

WHAT WILL THE
GUIDED R&D
PROJECT COVER?

While the guided R&D project must fall within the field of “**clean energy in the maritime industry**”, during your stay in Rijeka in March we will jointly define the explicit topic based on your submitted proposal.

HOW MUCH
TIME PER WEEK
IS EXPECTED?

In addition to the events and summer school, we anticipate that students will need to commit at least **four hours per week** to the scholarship programme to realise their guided R&D project.

HOW MUCH OF
IT CAN BE DONE
REMOTELY?

Aside from working on the projects during the events, the scholars will develop their research from home, guided by regular virtual meetings with their mentors and fellow students.

REQUIREMENTS

To uphold the high standards of the Lürssen Foundation and ensure that all participating scholars can maximise their experience of the scholarship programme, there are specific requirements that applications must meet.

These are as follows:

- Applicants must be enrolled at a university or a university of applied sciences
- They must be studying a subject in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM)
- Applicants must have at least a B2 level of English



COSTS

The scholarship programme is **financed entirely by the Lürssen Foundation**, with approximately €10,000 allocated per scholar. This covers fees, transport, and accommodation.



HOW TO APPLY

All documents must be submitted in English via the Lürssen Job Portal (see QR code below). The following documents are required:

- Motivation letter outlining the student's aspirations, experiences, and suitability
- Curriculum Vitae
- A 500-word proposal for a "clean energy in the maritime industry" R&D project envisioned for development during the scholarship programme
- Letter of recommendation from an academic professor
- Certificate of university enrolment
- Up-to-date transcript of records of studies
- Final high school transcript of records
- Final bachelor transcript of records (if applicable)
- B2 or higher certificate for English or proof of proficiency



Click or scan the QR code to start your application.

APPLICATION PROCESS

The selection process is conducted by a committee of academic professors, industry professionals, and Lürssen Foundation representatives from February to March.

The process includes the following steps:

- Pre-screening
- Qualitative analysis by an expert panel
- Interviews with shortlisted applicants
- Notification of selected scholars

APPLICATION DEADLINE

The application period is open from
31 January to 2 March 2025.





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