BRINGING RESEARCH AND PRACTICE TOGETHER
IFAF Berlin supports, promotes and funds applied research on all types of current challenges confronting our lives today. As a result, the knowledge and expertise of universities of applied sciences becomes publicly accessible and can be incorporated into a joint quest for the social, technological and economic solutions which can help shape the future of our society.

With support from Land Berlin, the IFAF Berlin (Institut für angewandte Forschung Berlin, Berlin Institute for Applied Research Berlin) was founded in 2009 by the Alice Salomon University of Applied Sciences Berlin, Beuth University of Applied Sciences, HTW Berlin University of Applied Sciences, and the Berlin School of Economics and Law. Since then, through the interdisciplinary cooperation between these universities of applied sciences, we have promoted knowledge and technology transfer at the highest level.

As an association of four public universities of applied sciences, our institute is one of its kind and unique in all of Germany. Scientists engage with partners from non-profit organisations and small and medium-sized enterprises in interdisciplinary projects. Together we search for answers to future challenges in fields such as sustainable corporate leadership, energy and natural resources, digitalization, and health.

With IFAF Berlin, applied research becomes visible and accessible far beyond the universities involved. Our entire environment profits from our joint projects between science, business and society. Together, we make a vital contribution to the innovativeness and sustainability of the region of Berlin-Brandenburg in periods of accelerated social change.
WORKING TOGETHER FOR THE FUTURE OF OUR REGION

We bring science, business and society together in order to shape and impact the future of the region – with scientific competence and solutions for the challenges of our day-to-day life.

IFAF BERLIN IS THE SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT FOR:

+ Small and medium-sized enterprises as well as non-profit organisations in the Berlin-Brandenburg region
+ Scientists from IFAF Berlin’s contributing universities of applied sciences

IFAF BERLIN OFFERS:

+ Information about the areas of research conducted by the universities of applied sciences
+ Advice on opportunities for funding and cooperation
+ Targeted access to competent project partners
+ Advice and support for IFAF Berlin project applications
+ Transfer of results such as publications, lectures and public events
IFAF BERLIN — FACTS AND FIGURES

FOUNDATION
2009

OBJECTIVES OF IFAF BERLIN
IFAF BERLIN is the umbrella organisation that funds local public universities of applied sciences. In particular, the association supports its members in their pursuit of joint projects across academic disciplines and research in cooperation with SME and non-profit organisations in the region.

MEMBERS
Full members are the four public universities of applied sciences in the federal state of Berlin:
Alice Salomon University of Applied Sciences Berlin
Berlin School of Economics and Law
Beuth University of Applied Sciences
HTW Berlin University of Applied Sciences

MAIN ACTIVITIES
+ Funding of projects
+ Transfer of technology and knowledge into practice
+ Knowledge transfer through lectures, events, and publications
+ Promotion of young researchers

ACADEMIC EXPERTISE
Approx. 800 professors from the four IFAF Berlin member institutions

ANNUAL VOLUME OF FUNDING
2.1 m euros (2017)

VOLUME OF FUNDING SINCE 2009
16.4 m euros
FUNDED PROJECTS
67 joint projects between the four public universities of applied sciences in Berlin with small and medium-sized enterprises as well as regional non-profit organisations

PROJECT PARTICIPANTS FROM SCIENCE, BUSINESS AND SOCIETY

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